

Minutes of the sixth (6th) meeting of the 2018-2019 ROSEMERE HIGH School Governing Board held on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 in the Library of Rosemère High School at 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Vicki Fraser, Sophie Lanthier, Maria Napolitano, Alexandra Roy, Carla Tosti, Jossie Tortorici, Parents; Chantal Brodeur, Melissa Chang, Suzanne Charbonneau, Sean Evans, Andrea Venditti, Teachers; Wanda Niphakis, Support Staff Representative; Anthony Napolitano, Joseph Napolitano, Student Representatives

Alternate parents: Marie-Soleil Lecompte

Also present were: Karen Lorenz, Administration; Emily Robinson, Vice-Principal

Regrets: Panagiota Lianos, Josie Vitale, Sara Mattiget, Maria Sakellaropoulos

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

1. Agenda – Additions and approval

GB20190501-01 Vicki Fraser MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of the Minutes of March 19, 2019

GB20190501-02 Melissa Chang MOVED THAT the minutes of March 19, 2019 be approved as presented.

This motion was CARRIED on the following division:
For: 11
Abstain: 2

3. Question Period

4. Business Arising

4.1 Educational Project

As e-mailed to members and explained by Ms. Lorenz.

- In response to a question from Vicki Fraser, based on conversations it is pretty average to have 1 out of 25 students on IEPs.
- The next steps, once objectives are picked is to work on the Educational Project Action Plan.
- The Educational Project and the Action Plan will be publicized for parents to see.
- Joseph Napolitano suggested that the school needs to spread awareness on the difference between anxiety and stress

*Alexandra Roy entered the meeting at 7:32
Suzanne Charbonneau entered the meeting at 7:36*

GB20190501-03 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the Educational Project be adopted as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5. New Business

5.1 Code of Conduct 2019-2020

As e-mailed to members and changes explained to Ms. Lorenz.

Changes:

- RHS Vision
- Allowed to charge a replacement fee for locks
- Vaping is added to smoking
- Moving student parking to the front of the building – there will be limited spaces for students. Students must register to park.
- Vicki asked that the students move down the street to smoke as they are close to McCaig during some classes. Ms. Lorenz will ask supervisors to move them.
- Dress code change – shorts and skirts should be mid thigh (appropriate)

GB20190501-04 Chantal Brodeur MOVED THAT the 2019-2020 code of conduct be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.2 Rentals

Camp de Basketball Pascal Fleury contract #011-2019

18 h 30 – 20 h 30; BLOCK 1 – 2018-2019; Fridays: May 17-24-31, June 7-14; Sundays: June 9-16

GB20190501-05 Vicki Fraser MOVED THAT the block 1 rental for Pascal Fleury basketball camp be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

Camp de Basketball Pascal Fleury #012-2019

8h–17h = 9hrs (1 hr service de garde + 8 hrs gym)

BLOCK 2 – 2019-2020; Fridays: June 21-28, July 5-12; Sundays: June 23-30, July 7-14

GB20190501-06 Maria Napolitano MOVED THAT the block 2 rental for Pascal Fleury basketball camp be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.3 Golf Tournament – fundraiser

Kelly Daly, teacher, would like to propose a golf tournament fundraiser to be held on Friday September 20, 2019 (Ped day). The tournament will be opened to our school community and the money raised will go towards media/photography equipment.

Tickets will include golf/with cart followed by a dinner reception with prizes and raffles. The price is to be determined.

GB20190501-06 Marie-Soleil Lecompte MOVED THAT the golf tournament fundraiser be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.4 Principles for school fees

Suggested Principles for School Fees Charged to Parents:

- The amount of fees charged should be the same for all classes of the same level;
- The pricing reflects the consumer price index and actual costs;
- Costs will be kept as low as possible;
- The fee for noon supervision will be calculated based on the current salary scale and allowing for 1 noon hour supervisor per 100 students.
 - salary = # of supervisors X 170 school days divided by # of students registered/enrolled
 - The ratio of supervisors to students is about 1:48

GB20190501-07 Vicki Fraser MOVED THAT the principles for school fees be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.5 Last GB meeting plans – June 4

Wrap up meeting with an end of year supper before the meeting. PPO will be invited.

GB20190501-08 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the plans for the last governing board meeting be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

6. Reports

6.1 Students

- JAM raised: \$1400
- Easter bunny photo shoot went very well
- Due to the ice storm WE are Silent is postponed to May 10
- Non sleep-a-thon is this Friday May 3

June 7 end of year activity

- BBQ at lunch: 2 hotdogs for \$5.00 and a bag of chips

Activities:

- Throwing pies at teachers for \$2-3 (all money from this activity goes to charity)
- Bouncy house
- Food truck

GB20190501-08 Joseph Napolitano MOVED THAT the June 7th BBQ be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

GB20190501-09 Anthony Napolitano MOVED THAT the pie throwing activity be approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 PPO

- Car show fundraiser discussed. (May 25)
- Parents appreciate the staff and extras that they do for students
- Vaping discussion
- June 4 meeting will discuss how to spend the money raised this year

6.3 Chairperson

No report

6.4 Principal

Paid by a measure received, there will be after school tutoring for students to help them study for end of year exams. Students at risk will be targeted first and if there is room, others will be invited.

Recent Events and Activities

- March 25 – Montreal Regional Science Fair – Congratulations to our students who won \$900 of cash prizes and 2 medals!
- April 5 – The 2nd Edition of the Human Library for Secondary 2 was a huge success. Sec 2 students had the opportunity to borrow human “books” to learn about different careers and the educational path required to get there.
- April was a month of field trips: Montreal Science Centre, Curling Club, Holocaust Museum, Junior and Senior USA trips, Old Port of Montreal. As usual, our students represented RHS with class.
- April 29 – Coffee with the DG – The Director General, Secretary General, Interim Director of Human Resources and Assistant Director of Pedagogical Services stopped by RHS for coffee and chit-chat with the staff about various concerns.

Upcoming Events and Activities

- May 2 – Distribution of the Gala Meritas invitations
- May 9 – Drama Show and Art Presentation at 7:00 pm
- May 17 – Senior Music Concert at 7:00 pm
- May 21 – Junior Music Concert at 7:00 pm
- May 22 – Gala Meritas
- May 24 – Pedagogical Day
- May 30 – 2019 Laurier Gala/Starfest (12 students being honoured at this event and 3 RHS acts performing) and the 1st evening of the Dance Show: Road Trip at RHS at 7:00 pm
- May 31 – 2nd evening of the Dance Show: Road Trip at 7:00 pm
- June 7 – Last day of regular classes
- June 10-18 – Exam Period

Educational Project & RHS Talks

Two additional sessions were held with Juniors and Seniors for the RHS Talks. At the first session we discussed multiple concerns including:

- after school transportation - suggestion made to have a third day of transportation
- substitution – unqualified substitutes
- security and safety - primarily the roughhousing that occurs in the halls and large groups of students moving around at the same time
- cafeteria - request made for vegetarian options, fresh fruits and vegetables and decreased pricing
- state of the building/furniture - explained the procedures that are required for building improvements and purchase of new furniture
- code of conduct - dress code concerns (ripped jeans, shorts and dresses)
- Vaping happening in the building and the difficulties in supervising the bathrooms
- Confidential corner - increase student awareness about it

At the second session, we reviewed the four objectives in the Educational Project and began to brainstorm ideas for the Educational Project Action Plan. Students had a lot of wonderful ideas that we will now present to the teachers. In the end we will implement the actions that we think will have the most impact to achieve our objectives.

Finally, we also did a “Keep-Start-Give Up” exercise to improve the RHS Talks for next year. I want to thank all the students who participated this year. It was an extremely enriching experience!

Vaping

Given a growing concern with the number of students vaping in and out of the building, the administration team visited all Math classes in April to begin to sensitize students to the potential dangers of vaping and to summarize the contents of the letter sent to all parents banning vapes from all schools.

6.5 Non-Teaching Professional

Nothing to report.

6.6 Teachers

- IEPs complete.
- List compiled for assistive technology.
- Special needs committee meeting - May 21.
- Changes for school schedule for 2019-2020 done.
- Mini start days will happen again next year.
- Brought up by Secondary 1 students that they would like a quiet space where they could eat and do homework. They have submitted a proposal to Ms. Lorenz and it will be discussed. Melissa Chang suggested that they could be told that there are some teachers who do have their classroom open at lunch that they could go into.

6.7 Support Staff

All good.

6.8 Parents Committee

Sent to Ms. Lorenz to be shared with members.

6.9 Treasurers Report

6.9.1 SWL Foundation Lobster-Fest, June 13

GB20190501-08 Carla Tosti MOVED THAT the governing board will purchase 2 tickets at \$175 each and the balance be given to the mini start days.

Carried **UNANIMOUSLY**

7. Varia

8. Question Period

Merite en Histoire – recognition award for students who achieved between 95% and 100% on the Secondary 4 History exam. Maria Napolitano will forward the information to Ms. Lorenz.

GB20190501-09 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the meeting is closed at 8:29 pm.

Carried **UNANIMOUSLY**

Minutes approved _____, 2019

Principal _____ Chairperson _____