

Minutes of the fourth (4th) meeting of the 2018-2019 ROSEMERE HIGH School Governing Board held on Monday, January 20, 2020 in the Library of Rosemère High School at 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Julie Courtemanche, Julie Durand, Vicki Fraser, Marie-Soleil Lecompte, Alexandra Roy, Jossie Tortorici, Natasha Varano, Parents; Melissa Chang, Suzanne Charbonneau, Kelly Daly, Jennifer Leduc, Andrea Venditti, Teachers; Sara Mattiget, Non-teaching Professional Representative; Brenda Price, Support Staff Representative; Madison Hungerbuhler, Student Representative

Alternate parent/teacher: Sandy Somekh, Sean Evans

Also present were: Karen Lorenz, Shannon Rudolph, Administration; Anne McMullon, Commissioner

Regrets: Wilson Lavoie, Panagiota Lianos, Maria Sakellaropoulos

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

1. Agenda – Additions and approval

5.h Rental agreements

5.i Cheerleading fundraiser

GB20200120-01 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the agenda be approved with additions.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of the Minutes of November 25, 2019

Minutes are from November, not October.

GB20200120-02 Suzanne Charbonneau MOVED THAT the minutes of November 25, 2019 be approved with date correction.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

3. Question Period

No questions.

4. Business Arising

a. Field Trip to Toronto - amendment

GB20200120-03 Brenda Price MOVED THAT Toronto trip be amended to offer it to Secondary 3 in addition to Secondary 4.

b. Tubing activity date change

GB20200120-04 Melissa Chang MOVED THAT the tubing activity date be changed March 10, 2020.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5. New Business

a. Enrolment Criteria

The documents were sent to members. There are no comments from RHS Governing Board.

b. Budget Consultation

- Are you satisfied with the current allocation of resources for Operating Budget (labour expenditures, materials, services) Yes
 - Comments: As long as the measures continue, we are satisfied with the operating budget.
- Are you satisfied with the current allocation of resources for Investment Budget (facilities improvement, furniture, equipment). No
 - Comments: The per capita amount for capital should be increased.
- Rank, from 1 to 7, the level of importance on the following criteria to be considered for the allocation of resources:
 - Enrolment 2
 - EHDA Clientele (Coded) 1
 - Students at Risk 4
 - Socio economic index (IMSE) 7
 - Geography (distance) 6
 - Regional needs (rural, urban) 3
 - Square meter of the school/centre 5
- Please choose 3 budgetary priorities for Orientation 1 of the Commitment to Success Plan: ORIENTATION 1: Retain and support quality employees:

- Professional development and growth (Ex: training of stress management, special needs, etc)
- Performance Appraisal System
- Training workshops for employees (Ex: skill based, excel, PowerPoint, etc)
- Please choose 3 budgetary priorities for Orientation 2 of the Commitment to Success Plan: ORIENTATION 2: Offer students a variety of choices through 21st-century programs and curriculums.
- Digital resources
- Techno-pedagogical tools
- Special Education (EHDA)
- Please choose 3 budgetary priorities for Orientation 3 of the Commitment to Success Plan: ORIENTATION 3: Develop a learning and working environment that promotes health, safety and well-being.
 - Promote Digital Citizenship
 - Encourage social/emotional/academic development
 - Professional Services
- Please choose 3 budgetary priorities for Orientation 4 of the Commitment to Success Plan: ORIENTATION 4: Increase the level of literacy competencies among the adult population on the school board's territory.
 - Night programs/flexible programs
 - Technology
 - Distance education
- Please choose 3 budgetary priorities for Orientation 5 of the Commitment to Success Plan: ORIENTATION 5: Engage students in physical activities 60 minutes a day.
 - Sporting materials and equipment
 - Coaching, training, guest speakers
 - Upgrade sporting facilities (gymnasiums and sports fields)
- Should we consider any other topics to prioritize that were not mentioned above?
 - Yes, Upkeep of the building

GB20200120-05 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the 2020-2021 Budget consultation be approved as submitted.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

c. Sexuality Education Plan

Same plan as last year. No changes will be made.

Madison Hungerbuhler commented that there was not enough taught last year. Ms. Lorenz responded that they are meeting as a staff and this is one of the topics that will be discussed. She went on to say that there will be more teachers teaching it this year.

GB20200120-06 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the Sexuality Education Plan be approved as submitted.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

d. Academic and Career Guidance Content Plan

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

In response to a question from Melissa Chang, this is meant for all students, including special needs.

GB20200120-07 Vicki Fraser MOVED THAT the Academic and Career Guidance Content Plan be approved as submitted.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

e. Subject-Time Allocation

E-mailed to members and explained by Ms. Lorenz

There are very few changes.

Secondary 1 – offer Science concentration – 2 extra periods of science. In response to a question from Vicki Fraser, if a student gets into enriched science in Cycle 1 they cannot choose the science concentration option. Depending on scheduling, if they get into enriched math, they may be able to go into science concentration. If this program is successful in Secondary 1, the plan is to offer it in Secondary 2 the following year.

Secondary 3 – Vocational Education Exploration. (Previously Active Program) This will lead students to a vocational training path.

Two proposals were explained to members – these will be voted on by the staff and brought back to GB when the final one is chosen.

GB20200120-08 Marie-Soleil Lecompte MOVED THAT the 2020-2021 subject time allocation be approved as submitted.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

f. Environmental Initiatives

Wilson Lavoie, the Student Council President gave a list of environmental initiatives to Debbie Adams, the Building Manager. Ms. Lorenz explained these to members. The staff is looking at these initiatives and will decide what they will retain.

g. Foresters' Financial Outdoor Seating proposal

Have offered to make more benches on the weekend of May 2 with some PPO volunteers.

GB20200120-09 Marie-Soleil Lecompte MOVED THAT the Foresters' Financial Outdoor Seating proposal be approved as submitted.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

h. Rental agreements

Témoins de Jéhovah; Rassemblement annuel; Tuesday, April 7, 18h – 22h

GB20200120-10 Alexandra Roy MOVED THAT the Témoins de Jéhovah rental be approved as submitted.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

Contract 003-2020; Evolution Langue; Cafeteria, 3 classrooms and use of outdoor grounds; Monday through Friday from Monday, June 22 to Friday, August 21 (excl. 24/6 & 1/7); 7h – 18h

GB20200120-11 Jennifer Leduc MOVED THAT the Evolution Langue rental be approved as submitted.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

i. Cheerleading fundraiser

Bake Sale to raise funds to buy team hoodies. All goods baked by cheerleading team. (The team also wants to use money from their first fundraiser to purchase the hoodies instead of hair bows.).

GB20200120-12 Brenda Price MOVED THAT the Cheerleading fundraiser be approved as submitted.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

6. Reports

a. Students

Student fundraisers were successful

SWAT Team (Student Welcome Action Team) – visited grade 6 students to talk about high school

Secret Valentine – sale of items ranging in price from \$1 to \$5

Would like to have a bake sale as a fitness club fundraiser for new equipment

GB20200120-13 Madison Hungerbuhler MOVED THAT the Secret Valentine sale be approved.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

GB20200120-14 Madison Hungerbuhler MOVED THAT fitness club bake sale in February be approved.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

b. PPO

- Bake sale – Valentine's day – selling Krispy Kreme donuts
- Candy sale in April
- A subcommittee will be formed to discuss a fundraiser to raise funds for a special project in the library.
- Paint night – Yay maker – have a painting fundraiser night evening. 25 tickets must be sold.

GB20200120-15 Vicki Fraser MOVED THAT the paint night fundraiser be approved.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

- Need volunteers to help make the benches on May 2
- Asked for board games for the ZEN Den.

c. Chairperson

Nothing to report.

d. Principal

Upcoming Events and Activities

- January 21 – 2nd session of RHS Talks
- January 27 – Pedagogical Day
- January 28 – Math Midterm – all levels
- January 29 – Drama Field Trip & Science Fair
- January 30 – History Midterm – Sec 3 and 4
- February 7 – End of Term 2
- February 10 – Pedagogical Day
- February 3 – We Day Montreal
- February 14 – Sec 2 Field Trip Hydro Quebec
- February 24 – Course Selection Assemblies

Course Selection

Mrs. Rudolph is starting the visits to each elementary school to visit the grade 6 classes and present them their options for next year. Assemblies outlining the course selection process for our current students will take place on February 24th and the actual course selection will take place online - through the Mozaik portal.

Sec 4 Science Rewrites

19 Secondary 5 students had to rewrite the practical and/or theoretical portion of the Ministry Sec 4 Science exam and we are pleased to report that all of them have passed! Tutorials were offered by Mrs. Venditti.

RHS Talks

The 1st session of RHS Talks took place in November. Discussions centred on the Mini-Days, after school activities, Confidential Corner, and texting students. Students made suggestions for how to “advertise” better to our student population. They also brought up the changes that were made to the Terry Fox Run over the last few years and we agreed to discuss that at the next meeting.

e. Non-Teaching Professional

- A second posting for a replacement guidance counsellor has gone out.
- Delivery of CEGEP format has been changed – from a classroom format to a digital format that will make it easier for students and so that parents can be involved.

f. Teachers

- Cycle 1 social studies teachers want to make a change in curriculum. Rather than half of a year teaching Geography with the other half year teaching History they would like to go back to a prior format where in Secondary 1 only Geography is taught and in Secondary 2 only History is taught. This would begin for the Secondary 1 students entering in 2020-2021.

GB20200120-16 Brenda Price MOVED THAT the Cycle 1 Social Studies curriculum be modified starting 2020-2021 to: Secondary 1 have a full year of Geography and Secondary 2 have a full year of History.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

- On Monday January 27 the staff will be having a Mosaik training
- A survey was sent to staff for feedback on the mini days.
- There are many science activities taking place over the next few weeks.
- Teachers reported on concerns regarding the opening of the Lower Circle and Science Wing between 12:10 and 12:40.

g. Support Staff

Everything is going well.

h. Parents' Committee Rep

School Board report:

- Governing board training December 10. If there is low participation, another may be offered with the training offered for budget and school fees in February.
- Coffee and conversation with the DG. Administrators visiting schools to meet with staff to support and communicate with them.
- Annual budget consultation process will begin in February. 2 consultations will be done with PC.
- Promotion for vocational training. Cohorts are starting in auto mechanics and health assistance & nursing. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please refer.
- After the holidays re-registration and new registration promotion will begin.

A subcommittee from Parents' Committee – Parents' committee publicity committee (PC²)

- PC² serves to educate the parent body about the existence and purpose of the Parents' Committee. Guiding the actions of PC² is the spirit of empowering parents to voice their thoughts or concerns through the appropriate channels.

Visit from the PC Chair

- The chair, Mr. Adam Gordon, would like to visit at least 75% of the governing boards throughout the school year.
- Initiative of the Chair for a long-term solution to backfilling PC delegates

Special education advisory committee (SEAC)

- The committee has room for new members. Information is on the SWLSB website.

7. Varia

E-votes

The Cadet Hockey team's coach is proposing a field trip for his hockey team (13 players) on February 25, 2020 from 8:30 to 11:00. They would go to Parc Cartier in Laval (using parental transport) to volunteer with underprivileged kids at the Laval Bleu Blanc Bouge rink. They would help setting up the locker room before the kids arrive and then help tie up skates and teach skating on the ice. The intention is for the team to participate in this activity as a team-building activity and to see how lucky they are to be part of the hockey program at Rosemere. There would be no cost to this activity

20200204- It was MOVED THAT the RHS Cadet Hockey team activity to Parc Cartier in Laval is approved as presented.

Carried

March 19, 2020, NASA Guest Speaker, Laval Junior High School, to enrich the Earth and Space and Technological World of the Science & Technology Curriculum, 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m., 1:15, no cost to students.

202002026- It was MOVED THAT the NASA guest speaker activity at Laval Junior High schools is approved as presented.

Carried

20200318 It was MOVED THAT due to the unforeseen Covid-19 situation as well as the formal travel warning issued by the Government of Canada and Quebec, added to the request from the government of Quebec to avoid non-essential travel and practice social distancing, we recommend that the planned trips to Toronto, New York and New York/Philadelphia be cancelled.

Carried

20200420 It was MOVED THAT the RHS 2020-2021 Criteria for the selection of a Principal is approved as presented to members on April 20, 2020.

Carried

8. Question Period

GB20200120-17 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the meeting be closed at 9:30 pm.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes approved _____, 2020

Principal _____ Chairperson _____

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan O'Keeffe, Recording Secretary