

Minutes of the first (1st) meeting of the 2020-2021 ROSEMERE HIGH School Governing Board held on Wednesday, September 30, 2020 via ZOOM at 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Kristin Crowdis, Julie Durand, Vicki Fraser, Sophie Lanthier, Marie-Soleil Lecompte, Jossie Tortorici, Natasha Varano, Parents; Melissa Chang, Suzanne Charbonneau, Kelly Daly, Sean Evans, Jennifer Leduc, Andrea Venditti, Teachers; Sara Mattiget, Non-teaching Professional Representative; Brenda Price, Support Staff Representative

Alternate parents:

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

Regrets: Julie Courtemanche

The Principal called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. Agenda – Additions and approval

Add: 5.11 Deed of Establishment

GB20200929-01 Suzanne Charbonneau MOVED THAT the agenda be approved with addition.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of June 11, 2020 and the Annual General Assembly of September 17, 2020

GB20200929-02 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the minutes of June 11, 2020 be approved as presented.

This motion was CARRIED on the following division:

For: 10

Abstain: 4

GB20200929-03 Vicki Fraser MOVED THAT the minutes of September 17, 2020 be approved as presented.

This motion was CARRIED on the following division:

For: 5

Abstain: 9

Brenda Price entered the meeting at 7:40

3. Question Period

4. Business Arising

5. New Business

5.1 Engagement of Recording Secretary

GB20200929-04 Melissa Chang MOVED THAT Susan O’Keeffe be engaged as the recording secretary for the 2020-2021 school year.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.2 Election of Chairperson

Vicki Fraser nominates Jossie Tortorici - accepts - Congratulations

5.3 Election of Vice-Chairperson

Vicki Fraser nominates Marie-Soleil Lecompte – accepts - Congratulations

5.4 Nomination of Community Representatives

Commissioner Anne McMullon will not be seeking re-election and has put her name in for community rep. The committee unanimously agrees.

5.5 Conflict of Interest Forms

Ms. Lorenz will send them to members. Please send them back asap.

5.6 Internal GB Procedures

GB20200929-05 Jossie Tortorici MOVED THAT the internal Governing Board procedures are approved as presented.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.7 Date of Governing Board Meetings

GB20200929-06 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the governing board meeting dates be October 29, November 26, 2020; January 21, February 25, March 25, April 29, June 2, 2021.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.9 Dedicated and Protected Measures

Whereas the 2020-2021 Initial Budget Parameters provide a list of protected and dedicated measures to be transferred to schools and centres;

Whereas the Governing Board must adopt a resolution confirming the amounts transferred to the school/centre for each dedicated and protected measure;

Whereas school principals / centre directors have been informed of the budgetary rules for each applicable measure and of the respective, prescribed budgets allocated for transfer to each school / centre for the school year 2020-21;

Whereas the Resource Allocation Committee (RAC) has made its recommendation to the Council of Commissioners for distribution of some measures;

Whereas the school / centre's governing board adopts the annual budget as per the Education Act (Chapter. 1-13.3, s.95, s.96.24); and

GB20200929-07 Jossie Tortorici MOVED THAT on the recommendation of the school principal the amounts for the following budgetary measures have been transferred to the school / centre for the 2020-21 school year; and

That the Governing Board adopt the following confirmed amounts for each budgetary measure destined for the transfer to the school / centre:

	Budget Allocation
15012 Social Solidarity Purchase of food and beverages respecting the orientations of the politique-cadre Pour un virage santé à l'école ; breakfast, lunch, and snacks. Allocation à priori. (IMSE 7, 8, 9, 10)	\$28,853
15021 Additional support for teaching (COVID) To ensure a deployment of services by allowing or increasing services towards support in teaching and learning services	\$37,047
15025 <i>Seuil minimal de services pour les écoles/ Minimal Service to Schools</i> To provide a base of complementary services by the schools in order to meet the needs for students in learning, provide support and follow-ups.	\$251,833
15028 Activités parascolaires au secondaire/ Extra Curricular Activities To provide high schools a free programming encouraging physical activities, sports, artistic, cultural, scientific, socioeducational activities as well as community involvements.	\$220,690
15031 Anti-bullying Promote ABAV plan, foster a safe and conducive learning environment.	\$6,436
15103 Acquisition de livres et de documentaires/ Read in School Purchase books, resources, reading materials (numerical or printed) from accredited bookstores	\$25,952
15186 Sorties scolaire en milieu culturel/ School Outings School trips in cultural milieu, as determined by MEES	\$36,620
15200 Formation en réanimation cardio-respiratoire au secondaire/ CPR course To offer CPR training for sec 3 students in regular or specialized classes.	\$2,137
15230 École Inspirante/ Accessible and Inspiring School To support schools and students to engage into cultural activities, educational outings, projects, promoting culture physical activities and entrepreneurship.	\$43,270
15312 Soutien à l'intégration en classe ordinaire des élèves handicapés ou en difficulté d'adaptation ou d'apprentissage/ Integration EHDA Support for students integrating regular settings, promote safe learning environment, enhance social development, and all other initiatives promoting learning.	\$13,410

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

5.10 RHS Emergency Protocol

Document sent by e-mail on the protocol in case there is a re-confinement. This document will be sent to parents. It has been passed through teacher council already.

Students homeroom numbers should be on the list.

5.11 Deeds of Establishment

The RHS GB has no comments.

6. Reports

6.1 Students

6.2 PPO

- Vicki Fraser, Victoria Stamper and Joerg Graf will act as co-chairs of PPO.
- Looking at making the library user friendly in order to make it better for students to be able to use.
- 3000\$ going to water fountains
- Will ask the school board for a contribution towards the library.
- Will ask for donations for the library
- PPO will be having a Halloween candy bag sale on October 29 and setting up 3 areas in the school where staff will be able to sell the candy. The bags will be brought in 72 hours in advance. Parent volunteers will put them together in their own homes. Candy grams are a good idea as opposed to purchasing them individually.
- Creating a poll for students to see what they are interested in for fundraising.
- Jenny Lamarre will set up a PPO FB group and will be putting together advertising for students to put on the screens.
- Students are grouping together like families. Might be a good time to approach them as they want to do special projects within their own classrooms. Door decorating or class decorating contest.
- Julie Durand is not comfortable always using sweets to raise funds.
- Members discussed alternate ways to raise funds.
- Discussed ways for students to go into the community to help.

GB20200929-08 Vicki Fraser MOVED THAT the PPO will prepare candy bags to be sold on October 29.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 Chairperson

No report this month

6.4 Principal

Welcome to new staff members

Support Staff:

- Angela Brett - Guidance Counsellor
- Julia Forgione - Special Education Technician
- Tiziana Pagliuca - Attendant
- Jessica Walker - Attendant

Teachers:

- Leslie Aggrey-Fynn - Physical Education
- Steven Antonacci - Special Education
- Jessica Barreiro - French
- Melissa Bertrand - Visual Arts
- Thomai Bourmakis - English
- Chris Mastoropoulos - Science and Social Studies
- Mylene Corriveau - French
- Kimberly DeFontes - ERC and Social Studies
- Tyler Dubois - Science and Social Studies
- Marcos Helguero - English
- Mdelwa Mehlo - Special Education

- Sophie Pinard - Mathematics
- Rebecca Sandiford - Science
- Tania Santini - Social Studies
- Emily Zenga - Social Studies and Visual Arts

Enrolment

As of today, there are 1235 students enrolled at Rosemere High School. That is an increase of 26 students from 2019-2020.

Convocation 2020

The convocation ceremony for the graduates of 2020 had to be cancelled because of the reduced number permitted at indoor gatherings. We are looking at other alternatives. Students will be invited in October 15 and 16 one student at a time can come in with their immediate family to pick up their yearbook, grad caps, diplomas and any prizes they may have won. A backdrop will be set up to take photos. Mr. Eason will prepare videos for the students and teachers of students can do short clips to send to students. Invitation will go out tomorrow.

Extra-Curricular Activities

Some ECAs are slowly beginning and our Recreation Technician, Meyranie Goill, and RSEQ Coordinator, Steven Hodhod, are keeping a close eye on the registrations to ensure that students only have the 2 extra groups permitted as of right now by the Ministry. Waiting on confirmation if this applies if we are in the red zone.

Will try to add the cafeteria back as a space for students to eat together. They must eat with their homeroom.

In response to a question from Kristin Crowdis, there are two sports teams taking place right now.

Adapting to COVID

- As we are required to have precise information for COVID-related absences, we are following up on all absences to get the details (staff and students).
- All students have to wear masks outside - on school grounds - during recess and lunch as they were not able to maintain the physical distancing requirements. Students are doing a good job at maintaining this rule.
- The school is divided into 49 homerooms. To accommodate this, we had to temporarily dismantle 3 of our computer labs and turn those rooms back into regular classrooms. Two rooms in the Science Wing have been kept available for laboratories.
- 4 Lockers will be assigned to students soon, but we still recommend they keep their box in the classroom with their supplies. It facilitates being prepared for class

6.5 Non-Teaching Professional

- Welcoming back Angela Brett as Lisa Di Domenico's replacement until January
- Guidance plan for the year is accessibility of information for all students
- Starting with Sec. 5s, critical information will be transmitted to parents and students in the form of videos, information documents, e-mails, newsletters, etc. for each grade level
- Guidance will meet with each Secondary 5 student for a screening session to ensure academic and career support in-person or virtually.

6.6 Teachers

- Teachers are adjusting to new routines.
- Many teachers and students are overwhelmed.
- There are concerns that need to be addressed where physical distancing is not being adhered to.

6.7 Support Staff

No report.

6.8 Parents Committee

Meeting is Thursday

6.9 Treasurers Report

Can be discussed at a later date.

7. Varia

8. Question Period

Regarding parents watching their children play sports on school grounds, perhaps an e-mail could be sent to remind them that they are not allowed to come onto school property and should be told that they are only allowed to drop them off.

Ms. Lorenz has been following the rules of the federation and is waiting to see if this changes now that we are in the red zone.

9 Adjournment

GB20200929-09 Andrea Venditti MOVED THAT the meeting be closed at 8:42 pm.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes approved _____, 2020

Principal _____ Chairperson _____