



**GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, February 10, 2015**

In attendance:

Principal: Richard Mason

Chairperson:

Lisa Chartier (parent)

Secretary:

Kathryn Morrow (parent)

Parent members:

Josie Tortorici, Elena Salerno

Teacher members:

Al Calame, Nadia Varano

Professional staff:

Carol Tenenbaum

Support staff:

Student representative:

None

In absentia:

Sunday Skoufaras and Marie-Josée Côté (teachers), Angela Tomeo (support staff), Paul Leal and Cathy Stilianesi (parents)

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The Chairperson established quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

1.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The following items are added to the agenda:

- 8.1 Arundel Trip for Behaviour Class
- 8.2 Play at MAI Theatre

<p>LJHS-GB2014150210-01 A. Calame MOVED the Agenda be accepted with the above-mentioned additions. Seconded by L. Chartier. Motion CARRIED unanimously</p>

2.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

LJHS-GB2014150210-02 C. Tenenbaum **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2014 Governing Board meeting as presented. Seconded by E. Salerno.

Motion **CARRIED** unanimously

3.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

3.1 PGB Information

L. Chartier reported on a meeting held in December, at which time the subject-time allocation was presented and deeds of establishment were discussed. After this meeting, the two new principals were appointed in January. The next meeting was held on February 3rd; members want the PGB structure to be like a governing board, even though there are no provisions in the Education Act, so there will be a Chairperson, a Secretary and minutes will be taken. The 'excellence' programmes were discussed at length, including their content, what is the criteria to be admitted, why are there now entrance exams, what is the pass mark for these exams, who will be accepted into the programmes, why is there a substantial raise in fees, etc. All of this should have gone to the Council of Commissioners first, but did not. A "to do" list for PGBs was given out and will be circulated to GB members; it includes a school logo, dress code, budget-building, etc.

3.2 Carnival Day: Skiing/Tubing

p.5, #8.3 from last minutes:

LJHS-GB2014150210-03 A. Calame **MOVED** that motion #LJHS-GB2014151111-13 be amended as follows: Skiing and snowboarding will cost \$20 instead of \$35 and tubing will cost \$20 instead of \$30 (helmet rental is \$5). Seconded by L. Chartier.

Motion **CARRIED** unanimously

4.0 EMAIL VOTES

LJHS-GB2014150210-04 A, Calame **MOVED**
(a) Crestview concert for Special Education Class on December 17, 2014;
(b) Classroom photos of students by homeroom for a calendar to be distributed in January; cost would be \$15; permission from parents required. Seconded by C. Tenenbaum.

Motion **CARRIED**

R. Mason reported that the calendar project is a 'no go' because of the scarcity of parent permission slips.

5.0 QUESTION PERIOD

None.

6.0 REPORTS

6.1 Chairperson's Report

The Chairperson reported that she had resigned as Chairperson of the Parents' Committee. Approximately \$1300 was raised at the community breakfast for AGAPE.

6.2 Financial Report

R. Mason presented a brief financial report to date. Some school fees still need to be collected and letters have been sent out.

6.3 Principal's Report

Mr. Mason reported on the following:

- On February 13th pedagogical day, a meeting of the 4 Laval high school teachers will be held to discuss aligning programmes for next year;
- Ski/tubing day on February 27th;
- Music Fest on March 20th
- Parent/teacher interviews on February 26th;
- La Ronde/year-end bbq: on June 4th and 5th, dates to be finalized with Mother Teresa;
- Focus groups discussed by staff;
- Carnival week February 23-27; hat day, sock day; backwards day; jersey day; hot chocolate, cookies, popcorn, etc., will be served;
- Sock project with Reliable Hosiery Company: one student per class will be chosen will do community service on a Saturday and on one school day;
- Black Theatre Workshop presented a play about Harriet Tubman today for Black History Month;
- Course selection forms for Secondary 1 to be distributed tomorrow;
- The Laurier Gala will be held on May 28th; two (2) acts from LJHS will be chosen at auditions on Laval Liberty HS on April 9th.

LJHS-GB2014150210-05 E. Salerno **MOVED** the approval in principal (a) that a school-wide trip to La Ronde be held on either June 4th or 5th, the cost of buses to be paid by the school, entrance fee (TBD) to be paid by students; (b) that a school-wide bar-b-q be held on either June 4th or 5th, food to be paid for by the PPO. Dates will be finalized after discussions with the administration of Mother Teresa JHS. Seconded by C. Tenenbaum.
Motion **CARRIED**

LJHS-GB2014150210-06 E. Salerno **MOVED** the approval for one student from each class to be chosen to do community service at Reliable Hosiery on one (1) school day. Seconded by J. Tortorici.
Motion **CARRIED**

6.4 Teachers' Report

A. Calame reported on the following:

- Teachers were delighted with the treats given every day for Teacher Appreciation Week;

- Report cards will be prepared by February 20th;
- Mid-term exams went very smoothly.

6.5 Parents Committee Report

In the absence of P. Leal, his written report stated the following:

- Wi-Fi in schools;
- Laval high schools; budgets; budget surpluses; concentration fees
- 2015-16 school calendars;
- EPCA; SEAC; surplus funds have been appropriated by ESD and an investigation is underway for a detailed account;
- Transportation video; financial literacy;
- Changes to PC and internal procedures.

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 School Calendars 2015-16

Calendars were circulated for information purposes.

7.2 Fees/Budget for Concentration Programmes 20145-15

PROGRAMME	# OF STUDENTS	FEE	BUDGET	WORKBOOKS
Art	48	\$200	\$9600	\$2191
Music	19	\$200	\$3800	\$730
Soccer	79	\$300	\$23,700	
Football	34	\$300	\$10,200	
Hockey	31	\$300	\$9300	
Science/Math	40	\$300	\$12,000	\$800 + \$1080

Year to date statements were produced, showing how these monies have been spent in the various programmes.

8.0 FIELD TRIPS

8.1 Arundel Trip for Behaviour Class

LJHS-GB2014150210-07 A. Calame **Moved** that a field trip to the Arundel Nature and Science Centre on March 19 and 20, 2015 by the nine (9) students in the behaviour class at a cost of \$30 per student is hereby approved.

Seconded by E. Salerno.

Motion **CARRIED** unanimously

8.2 Play at MAI Theatre

LJHS-GB2014150210-08 J. Tortorici **Moved** that a field trip for 43 Secondary 2 students to see the play "Random" at the MAI Theatre on March 27, 2015 at a cost of \$15 per student is hereby approved, provided that a

description of the play (13+) and disclaimer re offensive language is part of the parent permission slip signed by the parent. Seconded by N. Varano
Motion **CARRIED** unanimously

9 **FUNDRAISERS**

9.1 **Comedy Nest for Alberta Exchange Trip**

LJHS-GB2014150210-09 K. Morrow **MOVED** the acceptance of a fundraiser at the Comedy Nest in Montreal for the students in the Alberta Exchange Trip: participants will be given four (4) tickets to sell at either \$12 or \$15 each, profits to be used for hotel accommodation in Alberta. Seconded by C. Tenenbaum.

Motion **CARRIED** unanimously

10.0 **QUESTION PERIOD / VARIA**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the LJHS GB for March 10th is cancelled and so the next meeting will be held on April 14th.

11.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

LJHS-GB2014150210-10 A. Calame **MOVED** to close the meeting at 8:45 PM. Seconded by N. Varano.

Motion **CARRIED** unanimously

Submitted by: Kathryn Morrow, Secretary

Minutes approved on _____.

Lisa Chartier, Governing Board Chair

Richard Mason, Principal