



John Rennie High School
Governing Board
Minutes of meeting #1
Thursday, 17 October 2024
6:30 P.M., in school library

Parent Reps: D. Bensimon, F. Chaput, M. El-Bahar, N. Lawand, C. Veillette, M. Wolsey

Staff Reps: M. Fuga, S. Katz, A. Sayfy, S. Sievers, S.Vann

Administration: M. Glendon, C. Jones, D. Joseph, J. Pinto

Student Reps: B. Hall, K. Primak

Community Rep: None

Commissioner: Absent

Public: C. Ugarte

Secretary: S. Katz

Regrets: P. Giakoumatos, T. Maughn, A. Saunders, E. Schultz., G. Youness

1. Call to Order / Verification of Quorum / Territorial Acknowledgement

- D. Joseph called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
- Territorial land acknowledgement was recited by C. Jones.
- Roundtable introductions were done.

2. Approval of the Agenda

24-25-1: The agenda was approved unanimously, via a motion from S. Sievers & seconded by F. Chaput.

3. Approval of the Minutes from the last meeting

24-25-2: The minutes from the meeting held on 25 June 2024 were approved unanimously, via a motion from C. Veillette & seconded by A. Sayfy.

4. Question Period - Question about field trips and suggestion to give more time to families to plan and save for field trips. Also question about bussing for Ile Bizard families and the concerns about lack of drivers. M. Joseph will look into this at the school board and suggested that families impacted contact the transportation department at the school board.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

6. New Business

- a. Selection of GB chair: D. Bensimon was nominated to act as chair for the 2024-2025 school year and accepted the nomination. A motion to approve this nomination was made by M. Fuga and seconded by A. Sayfy. The motion was approved unanimously (**Motion 24-25-3**).
- b. Selection of GB vice-chair: N. Lawand was nominated to act as vice-chair for the 2024-2025 school year and accepted the nomination. A motion to approve this nomination was made by S. Sievers and seconded by C. Veillette. The motion was approved unanimously (**Motion 24-25-4**).
- c. Appointment of GB secretary - S. Katz will take on the role for this meeting.
- d. Selection of Parents' Committee representative from JRHS- Selection has been done and will send email
- e. Nominees for community representative. JRHS Didn't have one. Will ask if someone could step in.

f. Dates of GB for the 2023-2024 school year:

- November 26th, 2024
- December 18th 2024
- January 21st, 2025
- February 19th, 2025
- March 25th, 2025
- April 30th, 2025
- May 22nd, 2025
- June 16th, 2025

Dates Motioned by C. Veillette.

Seconded by S. Vann. Adopted unanimously (**Motion 24-25-5**).

g. Ideas for increasing attendance at AGA

- discussion about going online. Some people think that a Hybrid format would attract more people. Also discussed moving the AGA to BEFORE Curriculum night, as more people might be interested.
- Was also discussed to make posters and to use social media as a way to attract more people.

7. Consultations – none.

8. Fundraisers - Bake Sale October 24th during open house: approved unanimously following a motion by N. Lawand, seconded by F. Chaput. (**Motion 24-25-6**)

9. Field trips/activities - Blanket approval for Terra Cotta, Library and Pointe Claire Shops. This is for all students. Ratio 1:32 (8:00am-3:35PM)

All field trips described in [this spreadsheet](#) were approved.

Motioned by: N. Lawand

Seconded by: S. Sievers. Adopted unanimously. (**Motion 24-25-7**)

10. Reports

- Principal – the report can be found on the [shared drive](#).
- Staff
- Students - the report can be found on the [shared drive](#).
- LBPSB Parents Committee Representative
- Commissioner

11. Correspondence

- School Board Election Fact Sheet – elections 3 November 2024
- Council Of Commissioners Meeting Highlights – 26 August 2024
- Council Of Commissioners Meeting Highlights – 16 September 2024
- Policy on Equity, Diversity, Dignity and Inclusion adopted.
- Pearson News: September 2024 edition available at <https://pearsonnews.ca>

12. Date and location of Next Meeting - Next meeting Nov. 26th, 2024 in Library

13. Adjournment: 8:23PM Motioned by: M. Fuga, adopted unanimously (**Motion 24-25-8**)

Respectfully submitted by Shawn Katz, John Rennie Governing Board

Approved _____

D. Joseph, Principal

Approved _____

D. Bensimon, Governing Board Chair