



John Rennie High School
Minutes of meeting #11
Tuesday, 17 June 2025
5:30 P.M., in person at school

Parent Reps: D. Bensimon, F. Chaput, N. Lawand, E. Schultz, C. Veillette, M. Wolsey

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

Administration: D. Joseph, J. Pinto

Student Reps: B. Hall, T. Maughn, K. Primak

Community Rep: None

Commissioner: Absent

Public: S. Sawyer-Bensimon

Secretary: S. Katz

Regrets: M. El-Bahar, P. Giakoumatos, L. Howard, A. Saunders, G. Youness

1. Call to Order / Verification of Quorum / Territorial Acknowledgement
Meeting started 6:18 p.m.
2. Approval of the Agenda
The agenda was approved unanimously following a motion by N. Lawand and seconded by C. Lacombe. **(Motion 24-25-58)**
3. Approval of the Minutes from the last meeting – 22 May 2025
The minutes were approved unanimously, following a motion by S. Sievers seconded by E. Schultz. **(Motion 24-25-59)**
4. Public Question Period
 - no questions
5. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - no leftover business from last meeting.
6. New Business
 - a. The list of parent members for 2025-2026 Governing Board was revised (will need 4 more parents for GB next year). Francis Chaput, Mona El-Bahar, Eric Schultz and Merrilee Wolsey are the 4 parents entering their 2nd year in 2025-2026.
 - b. *Governing Board annual report* - Dov created a [final report](#). All the topics that have been discussed in the last year.
 - c. *John Rennie school fees for 2025-2026* - [Spreadsheet](#) has been posted to the shared drive. There will be an addition for Sport-Études students. The Yearbook will be included in the school fees but it is optional so if students do not want a yearbook they will have to opt out. Convocation fees will also be included in the school fees.
Sport Etudes has had a coordinator since the program started. The charge of the coordinator will be charged to the students. Cost is approximately \$160 per student.
Motion to approve school fees: Cynthia, seconded by Mirella and approved unanimously. **(Motion 24-25-60)**

- d. *JRHS code of conduct* - has been shared to the drive - Big changes: cell phone infractions: This year was on a 4-strike system. Parents were notified at each time. The new law which prohibits cell phones will be enforced. if we see a cell phone it will be an automatic suspension. It will be a one-day suspension. Effective Day one!
Dress Code: Adding two more colours (White and Yellow) 4 options of tops and 2 different logos. Golf shirt will be a new option. The main reason for the uniform is for student safety. We will put in place a Monday-Thursday a strict uniform policy. Fridays' they can wear "other" JRHS stuff (Green team, Europe etc.)
Motion to approve Code of Conduct: Nadia, seconded by Merilee and approved unanimously. **(Motion 24-25-61)**

7. Consultations: none

8. Fundraisers

- Sale of Freezies in September and October 2025
- Additional fundraisers described in two documents on [shared drive](#)

Motion to approve: Caroline, seconded by Cynthia and approved unanimously **(Motion 24-25-62)**

9. Field trips/activities

- Described in spreadsheets on [shared drive](#)
- Blanket approvals: Terra Cotta, Pointe Claire library, parks in the area. (1KM radius)
- The Balanced Day/Life Skills program asked for a blanket approval. We can stipulate that anything that involves charges a parent must come to GB. If it's free, then it can be under the blanket approval.

Motion to approve: Merilee, seconded by Cynthia and approved with one absention **(Motion 24-25-63)**

10. Reports

- a. The [Principal's report](#) was posted to the shared drive. D. Joseph thanked the students, staff and parent members for their involvement in the GB.
- b. Staff – no items to report.
- c. The [Students' report](#) was posted to the shared drive.
- d. LBPSB Parents Committee Representative
 - i. OPUS cards will be available online
 - ii. English boards won the court of appeal to continue to exist. Quebec is appealing that decision. Fundraising efforts will be raised to pay for the court case
- e. Commissioner – the commissioner was absent and did not submit a report.

11. Correspondence

- a. Council of Commissioners meeting highlights were posted to the [shared drive](#).
- b. Latest edition of the Pearson News: <https://pearsonnews.ca>

12. Varia

- Some ideas to get incoming students. St Thomas did a welcome event and gave every student a "class of 2030" t-shirt. Also got to write their names on a mural. Building a sense of community.

- D. Bensimon thanked the students, staff, parent members and the administration for a successful year and for their involvement.
- A huge thank you to Dov for his leadership and commitment to John Rennie.

13. Date and location of next meeting – Annual General Assembly: Thursday, 25 September 2025, 5:45 p.m. in the school library

14. Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m. on a motion by C. Veillette and approved unanimously. **(Motion 24-25-64)**

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