



LaSalle Community Comprehensive High School
Governing Board Minutes
Tuesday, December 10th, 2024
6:30 pm - in person

Present:

Parent representatives: Valerie Beaudet, Deidre Beroog (replacing Sophie Fernandes), Laura Ciccone, Nathalie Cousins (replacing Erminia DiPietro), Diana Keener, Amrit Grewal, Fanca Henry, John Ranger.

Parent alternates: None

Staff representatives: Susan Cleveland, Meghan Hughes, Adam Mackenzie, Cynthia McCulloch, Marie-Pier Michaud, Sabrina Moretto, Cynthia Shyngera, Marcello Sicoli.

Student representatives: Ysabela Drakontai, Leah Staniscia-Tomasini.

Community representatives: None

Administration : Wusua Mitchell, Tania D'Alessandro, Sarah Newton.

Regrets: Erminia dipietro, Sophie Fernandes, Bob McKinon, Rolan Schubert.

1. **Call to order** (quorum, welcome)
 - Quorum was confirmed at 6: 43 pm.

 2. **Adoption of the agenda**
 - Adoption of the agenda motioned by M. Hughes , seconded by A. Grewal
 - motion carried unanimously

 3. **Approval of the minutes of the September Nov. 12th, 2024 meeting.**

Correction (Ms. D'Allessandro): Point 8. Reports, v. PPO, 3rd bullet point. Typo in the word Dominos and "paper" replaced by "e-mail"

 - Motioned by Cleveland , seconded by Sabrina
 - motion carried unanimously

 4. **Business arising from previous meeting**

None

 5. **Public question period**

None
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6. **New business/Standing Items**

Before we begin, Linda d'Alterio introduces herself and the members of the GB each introduce themselves to her.

i. **Approvals –field trips, fundraisers, service contracts, rental requests**

- Field trips:
 - Cfer program (Gr. 9-11) trip to Biodome, free for students, cost will be covered by Sortie Culturelle grant, public transit, January 23rd, 2025, pending council approval. Motion to approve : Franca Henry, seconded by S. Cleveland.
 - motion carried unanimously
- Fundraisers : PPO will present later.
- Service contracts : none except parascolaire activities
- Rental : city of Lasalle regular rentals.

ii. **LCCHS Governing Board - Public - Parent Notifications**

- John Ranger proposes modifications to the LCCHS website concerning GB meetings and their accessibility to the public. Modifications were presented and discussed and J. Ranger proposes to table the matter to the next GB meeting. V. Beudet offers to summarise the proposition and consult J. Ranger to present a final product at the next meeting.

iii. **2024-2025 Budget**

- Ms. Mitchell presents the 2024-20245 budget.
 - Motion to approve by J. Ranger, seconded by N. Cousins
 - motion carried unanimously

7. **Correspondence**

- None

8. **Reports**

i. **Principal**

Ms. D'Allessandro : Exams will be held from January 28th to the 31st. The schedule is currently being made and will be shared with parents before holidays. Tutorials will be available to students. After the holidays, a reminder email will be sent with specifics about the exam period.

Ms. Mitchell : Thank u to all parents for attending parent-teacher interviews, for being involved. She asks the parents and teachers if we want to continue to have the interviews via Zoom.

MP Michaud brings up the advantages of zoom, there's no wait time and appreciates the privacy aspect. Ms. Hughes suggests that the meetings be 5 mins instead of 8 so they can see more parents. Ms. Mitchell emphasizes the importance of attending as parents. Parents agree that Zoom meetings are good.

ii. Staff

- M. Sicoli
 - Our Lego students participated in the PCHS tournament and won! There is another big competition at the end of February.
 - Senior IB students are hard at work on their personal projects. They have many deadlines to meet. Reports are on their way.
 - Alloprof now has English websites, lots of good resources. Will be promoted throughout the school. Amrit sent out an email last year to this effect and left resources at the office.
 - IB training: 5 teachers just completed a 4 week online IB training. We worked with ppl from China, Portugal, Turkey. Approaches to learning, fostering a mindfulness of international leadership. On Nov. 29th there was a session for IB training which included: developing units, working on our policies, (inclusion and integrity policy which will be included in the Agenda and on our website, admission policy, assessment policy.) Documents are revised every year. There are 2 more training sessions coming up: February 17th and May 9th 2025.
- MP Michaud : Canned food drive last week, lots of food was collected. Sports volleyball tournament hosted yesterday, Lac St louis, Basketball is ongoing, Track and field tryouts starting shortly.
- M. Hughes: bakesale raised 567 \$. The literacy committee is going well, meeting every other month. Level one, unit inclusion, diversity and allyship, Dave is coming this Friday from west island lgbtq+
- Ms. McCulloch: New York/Boston trip, has been cancelled, not enough participation. A lot are saving for Europe.
- Tania : Student council decided to make cards and they will be going to CH Lasalle 3rd floor. Leadership students are planning fun activities for last week before holidays with Mr. Gallagher. School wide bingo, and other activities.
- C. Shyngera : Sock drive, new socks can be sent in, will be brought to Chez Doris.
- Honour roll assembly tomorrow (parents are invited to an assembly May 29th for ongoing honor roll)/ On a roll : acts of kindness, effort, helping others, etc.

iii. Student Representative reports

- Ysabela:
 - Food drive - IB students across all levels and Phoenix distributed flyers the week before, then on Dec. 4th, we went around the neighborhood collecting non-perishable food items that we can use for our Christmas baskets. This food gets given to families who are struggling a bit more during the holiday season. This has always been a very eye opening act for the students to be a part of because it makes us reflect, and younger students can realize that they are more fortunate than a lot of people at this time. It was also amazing to see so many staff members, former staff

and students, community members and of course current students lending a hand with collecting and sorting the food.

- Dress down for the canned food drive happened on the 6th of dec, students were encouraged to bring a small donation of two dollars to help out for the Christmas baskets if they decided to wear non-uniform attire.
 - Movember is an annual event involving the growing of moustaches during the month of November to raise awareness of Men's Health issues, such as prostate cancer, testicular cancer, and men's suicide. A group of teachers participated in growing their own mustache to raise awareness and also referred to themselves as the "mobros". We also had a day where everyone would have a mustache (real or fake) or have a pink ribbon for awareness of women's breast cancer.
- Leah:
 - On the 2nd of December during junior and senior lunch students could purchase a variety of treats and desserts made by teachers and staff. Everything was priced for \$1 and in the end we raised \$567 which will go towards our food drive expenses.
 - The sec 5 IB students are finishing their criterion A for their personal projects and they will need to turn them in on December 13th 2024. On the miniday tomorrow (Dec 11th 2024) honor roll students (which are students with an 80% or more average for their term one mark) will be called down to the auditorium to receive an award signed by the principal congratulating them for their perseverance and hard work. Also while this is happening certain Ib students will be receiving their Ib learner profile attribute certificates which are Open-minded, Communicator and Risk Taker for the months of Sept, Nov and Dec.

iv. LCCHS Parent Committee Representative

- Amrit Grewal: First meeting Nov. 21st, first meeting with advisory, meeting dates, budget, reg sub committees, elementary east-west, one for highschools. John Ranger is Chair of the high school regional sub-committee. J. Ranger asks about the material available for french students but not in english. Concerned that the books are not translated and available to the English students. Staff and the commissioner say it's an ongoing discussion but have no power over it as the publishing companies decide. Question : culture and citizen program, are textbooks available in english? No. Question is forwarded to Ms. D'Alterio. It's being discussed. S. Moretto says there are some resources for sec. 1-2, teachers made a workbook in English for LBPSB.

Motion to extend meeting by 15 mins: J. Ranger, seconded by S. Shyngera, all in favor.

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v. PPO

- Dominos fundraiser : 375\$ raised
- SPC Cards, 15 left and the 5k card has not been purchased. Ms. Tania offers the extra cards to GB members. Another sale will be available february. Many online stores and restaurants.

vi. Commissioner

- Linda Dalterio : Councils on Monday, Dec. 15th. Ms. Mitchell asked if the Intercultural committee will still be happening. Yes, in January. We've applied for grants.

vii. Community Representatives :

- None

9. Varia

- None

10. Next meeting:

- January 21st, 2025 - Zoom

11. Adjournment

- 20 :20 pm , motioned by J. Ranger, seconded Nathalie. carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Beaudet
LCCHS GB Secretary