

LaSalle Community Comprehensive High School Governing Board Minutes

Tuesday, January 21st, 2025 6:30 pm - On Zoom

Present:

Staff representatives - Susan Cleveland, Meghan Hughes, Cynthia McCulloch, Marie-Pier Michaud, Cynthia Shyngera, and Marcello Sicoli

Parent representatives - Ermina Di Pietro, Sophie Fernandes, Amrit Grewal, Franca Henry, Jonathan Declet (replacing Laura Ciccone), Derek Maisonville (replacing Valerie Beaudet), and Diana Keener

Student representatives - None present

Community representatives - Bob MacKinnon and Roland Schubert

Commissioner - (Regrets)

Administration - Wusua Mitchell, Tania D'Alessandro and Sarah Newton

Regrets: Valerie Beaudet, Laura Ciccone, John Ranger, Adam MacKenzie, Sabrina Moretto, Ysabela Drakontaidis, Leah Staniscia-Tomasini, and Linda Dalterio

1. Call to order (quorum, welcome)

- Quorum was confirmed at 6:34 pm

2. Adoption of Agenda

- Addition: Calendar change for Multicultural Fiesta (item 6. iv.)
- Moved by A. Grewal, seconded by S. Cleveland
- Carried unanimously

3. Adoption of Minutes of the meeting on December 10th, 2024

- Moved by C. Shyngera, seconded by M. Sicoli
- Carried unanimously

4. Business Arising from the previous meeting

- Ms. Mitchell answered questions that arose in the presentation of Budget 2024-2025 at the previous meeting
 - NTIC (tech grant): \$5000 and then \$32.46 per student allocated to all schools
 - O Student-Teacher and Professional Improvement funds are considered as money received by the school, thus revenue (even amounts carried over)
 - o Mesure 15014 (milieu défavorisé): \$2798 received this year, but not guaranteed each year

5. Public Question Period

No questions

6. New business/Standing Items

- 6.i. Approvals field trips, fundraisers, service contracts, rental requests
 - a) Field trip: Lego Robotics tournament Friday, Feb. 28th at École secondaire Jeanne-Mance, 8 am
 3 pm, carpool, 8 students (Sec 1 and 2) + 2 adults, no cost (students bring their own lunch)
 Moved by S. Cleveland, seconded by A. Grewal Carried unanimously
 - Field trip: Sec 5 Physics trip to Beurling Academy swimming pool February (date TBA) during Periods 6- 7, 27 students + 1 lifeguard (already at BA) + 1 teacher Moved by S. Fernandes, seconded by E. Di Pietro - Carried unanimously

- c) Fundraisers: Ms. D'Alessandro reported that the dress-down day (prom) and bake sale (Thailand) on Jan. 17th raised more than \$1000. Thank you to all who baked goods and who supported.
 Ms. Mitchell asks that we encourage donations for school initiatives and causes (\$2 recommended donation).
- d) PPO is hoping to hold a second used uniform sale in March (to prepare for warmer weather)
 Our Sparkle room will be opening to grads soon donations of dresses or suits are always appreciated
- 6.ii. Budget Consultation 2025-2026 (Deadline March 28th)
 - Documents were shared via email earlier today
 - Tabled until next meeting so everyone has a chance to read the documents
- 6.iii. Principal Selection Criteria 2025-2026 (Deadline March 28th)
 - Document was shared via email earlier today
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- 6.iv. Calendar change for Multicultural Fiesta
 - Proposal to move the mini-day of April 3rd to April 2nd to allow students and staff time to prepare for Multicultural Fiesta (April 3rd)
 - Parents will be informed in the next email communiqué
 - April 2nd mini-day and May 16th Board ped day to be changed on LCCHS website calendar
 - Moved by M.-P. Michaud, seconded by S. Cleveland
 - Carried unanimously

7. Correspondence

- None

8. Reports

- 8.i. Principal
 - Ms. Mitchell wished everyone a Happy New Year and hopes that their holidays were nice
 - See the January email communiqué for important updates
 - Staff Appreciation Week will take place February 10th-14th words of appreciation are always encouraged
 - Black History Month: We strive to do activities all throughout the year (in class and assemblies) Steel pan performance and history March 10th
 - National Pink Shirt Day (anti-bullying) on Feb. 26th Students will be encouraged to wear a pink shirt, a link was provided in the communiqué for awareness
 - Registration time is approaching and teacher allocation is based on enrollment Done online, info to be sent
 - Course selection will follow
 - Funding cuts to education in the news Entrepreneurship grants have been removed, so we are looking at other funds and Rattrapage money to continue supporting our students and keeping them engaged in school
 - The January exam schedule was re-shared with parents along with guidelines Supplemental exams (Sec 4) took place yesterday, today, and on Jan. 9th
 - Our School survey results have been received to be looked at by Student Council, School Council, Staff, and then presented to GB

8.ii. Staff

- The Senior Robotics season is now underway and the students are off to a great start working 4 nights per week alongside our DRW mentors to prepare for the competition over March break
- 2025 ended with a morning full of activities on Friday, Dec. 20th schoolwide Bingo was engaging and Leadership students worked hard to animate activities

- Students are encouraged to attend teacher tutorials and Homework Zone in preparation for exams
- LCCHS sports are ongoing Check out the @lcchsathletics Instagram page run by one of our Sec
 5 students
- Personal Project products and journals were submitted on Jan. 18th
 Students will be provided 3 work periods, report due Feb. 18th

8.iii. Student Representatives

- No report
- Updates: Grad hoodies and rings have arrived and been distributed
 The grad photo session schedule was shared on the grads' Google Classroom page

8.iv. LBPSB Parent Committee Representative

- Met last Thursday for a short meeting
- Next meeting on February 20th
- Resources from an AlloProf workshop were shared last year by A. Grewal
 - Mr. Panzera and Ms. Cleveland's Sec 3 Science students (all of Sec 3) will all receive a workshop from AlloProf

8.v. PPO

- Feb. 5th: Pringles sale (leftovers from last sale)
- Feb. 12th: SPC card second sale for Seniors only, email to come
- Please donate uniform pieces for our next used uniform sale
- Feb 10th-14th: Staff Appreciation treats and lunch by Admin & PPO
- PPO is looking into a Q-Bec Coffee sale in the spring, a company owned by an LCCHS parent; form and details to be presented at next meeting

8.vi. Commissioner

- See end-of-year report shared by Ms. Dalterio and emailed to GB members today

8.vii. Community Representatives

- R. Schubert:
 - Thank you to LCCHS for the donation of canned food drive surplus to the HOPE Food Bank
- B. MacKinnon:
 - He was very impressed to watch students and staff in action and to see how well the LCCHS CFER Program is run
 - Ms. Mitchell hopes that we can highlight CFER in an updated promo video for our school in the spring. CFER enrollment increased this year.

9. Varia

- None
- 10. Next Meeting: February 11th, 2025 at 6:30 pm on Zoom

11. Adjournment

- Moved by A. Grewal at 7:13 pm, carried unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Cleveland LCCHS GB Replacement Secretary