

EMSBPC April 7th, 2022

A Land acknowledgement was read, followed by information about the current visit between members of certain Indigenous communities and the Pope.

Presentation by Lisa Lorenzetti about the English ongoing translation of 'Allo Prof' - which has been offering free resources for academic success for about 25 years. Math and Science content currently being translated to English, the resources which are for both students and parents include educational games and homework help. Concept sheets can be obtained without a log in, but to obtain sample questions one would have to create a profile and log in.

Parent Conference action plan, next meeting on Sunday, registration will be on the actual platform. EMSB has listed some of the workshops, additional ones will be added at a later date. This is happening May 29th, please encourage GBs to spread the word. The link can be found at www.EMSB.parents.ca

Mr. J. Giannacopoulos spoke about selection criteria for administration appointments. Based on retirements, sabbaticals, what the GB criteria letters include, minimum 5 years classroom experience before being allowed to submit an application for an admin position.

Beautification grants: Measures given by the ministry of education. First presented to the DG, then MR then the principals through an application process.

Q: Should a project over budget who covers it? - call for capitol request. All principals are made aware of this grant at the beginning of the year.

Good news:

Kids at McKay are taking part in The Grand Defi.

One school chose to install hives.

Motion passes of maintaining 15\$ a meeting for voting members with any remainder split between all those eligible for remuneration.

Making the ARC a permanent thing. Tabled, as it did not go through the PC executive prior to this meeting.

Effects of bill 96. We encourage as many people as possible to register ahead of the protest for this bill to give an idea of potential numbers. Numbers will be important because they care about votes in the upcoming fall election.

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Public Question Period: Chris Eustache-Commissioners are getting paid almost 1K a meeting, service directors are making about 100\$ a meeting. Student protector out of 20 reports

submitted, 19 said, only the one who wrote against it was the English school board association. Would the EMSBPC put in their own complaint in as a body? Referring to bill 86- only parents are listened to. (Bill 40)

Parent Commissioner reports:

Daniel said the presentation done for all the commissioners by Dr Merna Lashley was touching. Can the same presentation be given to all the admin?

Maria: The EMSB is exploring a plan to open a new school at the St. Dorothy's building in 2024-25 to address the needs of the growing special needs population. The plan would relocate students from St. Raphael's, which is at capacity, and has a growing number of students on the waiting list and include some of the self-contained classes in these schools to the Sinclair Laird/St. Raphael building. The new school at the St. Dorothy's building would become a center of excellence for special needs students, improve the service offering, and consolidate the resources provided to students. If the Council approves this plan, it would go to a major consultation of EMSB stakeholders including the PC and Governing Boards. This idea was originally proposed by the PC three years ago during the major school change consultation, that should the EMSB close a school, the building should be used at the service of the EMSB community.

Tony spoke about council passing a motion to express their view about the Dawson expansion project, support for the Ukrainian refugees

ad hoc- complaints by parent commissioners-will they also review the current procedure so it can be improved to better reach and serve our families.

Treasury report, currently at approx. 6K

EPCA report- heavy newsletter, epca202118 code for free access to the workshop for parents May 28th offered by fcpq and epca

3topics-What place do parents have in education? 2-bilingualism, key to thriving in Quebec (bill 96 effects) 3-evolving from colour blindness, how can I grow?

ARC- desire for the subcommittee to become permanent, next toolkit -South Asian Communities, end the school year on refugees. Working on a proposal for a parent advocacy program intended to help parents move through the complaint procedure, help with high school choices etc.

Focus group on enrollment- N/A

Sexual misconduct prevention committee - report with 5 questions that the group did their research on the matter was sent to the EMSB admin, awaiting answers.

Transportation and safety- no meeting had

Advisory Committee on Special Needs Services: Budget building was done, and letter to send in regards of bill 96

Next meeting

Adjournment 9:08