



JULES VERNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ÉCOLE PRIMAIRE JULES VERNE

***Governing Board Zoom Meeting, Minutes for
Monday, March 21st, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.***

Present: Tina Miscio (Principal), Steve Samanez (Secretary), Denise Karelis (Chairperson), Madison Roy, Céline Sévigny, Christina Pelle, Marie-Claire Verdon, Lisa Murray, Karine Lasanté, Eva Cerulli, Gabriella Fombuena (student teacher), Johnny Piazza (Doral Caterer) Daniela Ferreira (left at 7:20 pm), Claudia Pisanelli (late 7:20 pm), Kelly Nolan (voting member)

Substitute Parents: Vanessa Matera & Kelly Nolan

Substitute for teachers: Annie St-Louis

Absent: Annie St-Louis, Vanessa Matera, Kathy Ponteira

1. Call to order – 7:04 PM

By: Denise Karelis

2. Recognition of Visitors -

Gabriella Fombuena (student teacher)
Johnny Piazza (Doral Caterer)

3. Additions to/Adoption of Agenda

Addition 11.3 Ukraine Fundraiser

Motion #178-2022-03-21-40 to approve Addition to/Adoption of Agenda

By: Eva Cerulli

Seconded by: Christina Pelle

All in favor

4. Questions from the Public: None

5. Approval of Minutes

5.1 Minutes from January 24, 2022

Motion #178-2022-03-21-41 to approve minutes from January 24, 2022

By: Marie-Claire Verdon

Seconded by: Steve Samanez

All in favor

6. E-Vote - Schoolwide Tubing Fieldtrip RESCHEDULED

6.1 Motion #178-2022-03-07-42 to approve the rescheduled Schoolwide Tubing Fieldtrip (Grade 1-6)

By: Steve Samanez

Seconded by: Kathy Ponteira

All in favor

Motion #178-2022-03-07-43 to approve the rescheduled Schoolwide Tubing Fieldtrip (Yeti - Preschool)

By: Steve Samanez

Seconded by: Kathy Ponteira

All in favor

7. Business Arising

7.1 NONE

8. New Business

8.1 Le Doral Catering Info

Johnny Piazza caterer/owner of Le Doral wanted to touch base with our school to get some feedback and discuss some changes at Le Doral. He mentioned that Le Doral has a green initiative. A no water bottle policy has been put in place but it will not affect our school because we already had an agreement with Le Doral.

He encourages parents to visit Le Doral Instagram page to see photos of kids' meals. Le Doral will post daily photos of the lunch provided that day.

8.2 Selection Criteria for School Principal

Motion #178-2022-03-21-44 to approve the selection Criteria for School Principal

By: Eva Cerulli

Seconded by: Céline Sévigny

All in favor

8.3 School Organization - Info Only

9. Reports

9.1 Chairperson's Report (Treasurer) - N/A

9.2 Principal's Report

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Enrolment for 2022-2023 as of March 10, 2022.

Pre-K	K	Grade 1 - A	Grade 2 - B	Grade 3 - D	Grade 4 - E	Grade 5 - G	Grade 6 - H
26	42	46	33	43	33	36	31

Total number of students: 279 (weighted 290)

School Organization 2022-2023

Formation of Student Groups:

Grade	Average	Maximum
Pre-Kindergarten	14	17
Kindergarten	17	19
Grade 1	20	22
Grade 2	22	24
Grade 3 & 4	24	26
Grade 5 & 6	24	26

Student Groups for 2022-2023:

HOMEROOM	NUMBER OF STUDENTS
Pre-K	13
Pre-K	13
K	15
K	14
K	13
E11	20
E12	20
S12	6 (GR1) + 13 (GR2)
E21	20
E31	26
S34	17 (GR3) + 7 (GR4)
E41	26
E51	23
S56	13 (GR5) + 7 (GR6)
E61	24

Total of 15 groups

Updated School Calendar

April 28, 2022 and May 11, 2022 are regular school days.

Mask Guidelines - Precisions

- As of March 7, children are no longer required to wear a mask in class when seated.
- Masks can also be removed by children in daycare when they are seated.
- For physical education classes, the mask must be worn unless they are causing problems with participation in an activity.
 - These problems can be breathing issues, or related to safety, such as if the mask makes it more difficult to see or if a piece of equipment such as a helmet makes it difficult to put on or take off the mask.
 - Masks can also be removed if they are not providing any significant protection, such as if there is a large distance between players, as is the case for various racket sports.

Exam Dates

The exam dates for Grades 4-6 were emailed to parents with the following precisions:

Students' Presence is Mandatory

- Grade 6 exams are mandated by the government (MEQ). They cannot be retaken.
- All other exams are mandated by the Board.
- Do not schedule a vacation during SCHEDULED exam days in April, May and June.

On-Going Evaluations

- Please note that some exams are scheduled over many classes.
- It does not mean that there is an evaluation every day.
- The evaluations follow the regular schedule of the students.
- There are evaluations throughout Term 2 that may not be included in the attachments.

Term 2 - 60% of the Year

- Term 2 is worth 60% of the final grade in all subjects.
- Many evaluations take place throughout this term.
- Attendance is highly recommended for academic success.

Second Communication

The Second Communication (reporting on ALL subjects) will be made available to parents on the Mozaik Parent Portal on April 22, 2022.

Laurier Gala 2022

Once again, the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation is pleased to partner with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to host the 2022 Laurier Gala. This year, the Gala will be held on Thursday, May 26th, 2022 at The Chateau Royal in Laval and will feature a show by the winners of the Laurier Star-Fest auditions.

Students who have achieved outstanding results within our school, in Academics, School Perseverance, Sports, Arts and Citizenship will be mailed this award.

Each school was asked to nominate ONE student PER category (5 students in total).

Students selected must meet the following criteria:

- **Academics:** This category recognizes candidates who excel in academic performance. Criteria consists of outstanding academic achievement.
- **School Perseverance:** This category recognizes students who have surpassed their personal potential through perseverance in order to reach their goal.
- **Sports:** The students in this category have outstanding effort, team spirit, tenacity, strength and courage in their physical education classroom.
- **Arts:** The students in this category have displayed their talents in the following areas: literature, drama, visual arts, art, dance, music, etc.
- **Citizenship:** The students in this category volunteer within their school (Leadership, Student Council, etc). Through their commitment, individual or collective, the students contribute to the well-being and betterment of their school life during the pandemic.

February and March Newsletters

The last two parent newsletters celebrated the wonderful events and activities that took place at school throughout the months of February and March. A special thank you to all parents of our school community and Home & School members for their generous donations which enabled the school team to organize activities for students to help foster a positive school climate. Thank you to the staff for always going the extra mile to ensure that our students not only receive the best possible learning environment but help organize and sustain the special activities that nurture school spirit and set traditions.

February Activities

- Staff Appreciation Week
- Luca Lazy Legs Visits JVES
- Valentine's Day - Dress Down Day
- Valentines for Veterans
- Student Assembly – Leadership award
- Draw for Gotcha Being Cool Tickets
- Treat Fundraiser- Chip Day
- Carnival Week

- Pink Shirt Day
- Anti-Bullying Assembly
- Crazy Hair/Hat Day
- Pizza Day
- Jersey Day
- Maple Taffy Surprise Treat
- Horse & Buggy Ride
- Hot Chocolate with marshmallows and granola bars
- Pajama day
- Outdoor Fun
- Skating
- Sliding
- Initiation to Curling
- Class Activities

March Activities

- Treat Fundraiser – Cookies
- Schoolwide Fieldtrip to Glissades des Pays d'en Haut (March 18)
- Cycle 3 Trip to Musée des Beaux Arts (Cycle 3 – March 22)
- St. Patrick's Day - Wear Green Day
- Student Assembly – School Perseverance
- Draw for Gotcha Being Cool Tickets
- Free Online Parent Workshops with Scott Graham (March 10 and 24)

SWLSB Alouettes Annual Game Day – It's back!

- Saturday, October 22, 2022 @ 4 PM
- Montréal Alouettes **VS** Toronto Argonauts
- Early bird rate for tickets bought before June 23.
- Link to buy tickets : <https://billetterie.montrealalouettes.com/als/#/53fcd585-dbd8-4d80-b487-938630089553/shop/search?fac=ALS&locale=en-CA&skin=alouettes>

Ukrainian Fundraising Campaign

- Schools are coming together to participate in a fundraiser for the refugees who are leaving Ukraine. The money collected from our schools will be sent to World Vision at the end of April.
- At this point clothing or food are not being collected because it is not known when the refugees will be arriving to Québec communities.
- The urgent need is to provide financial support for the areas that are welcoming and housing refugees until they can be processed to come to Canada if they desire.
- The goal is to raise \$25,000. The fundraising campaign will end on **April 30th**.

How to Contribute to the Ukrainian Fundraising Campaign

- If you would like to donate to World Vision and receive a tax receipt for your donation, please [click here](#) or send a cheque to World Vision through school so it can be included in the total fund-raising target.
- Any donation over \$15.00 will receive a tax receipt for income tax purposes. Each week we will be highlighting the various schools and their fundraising efforts on our Facebook page.

9.3 Teacher Report

Student Council and teachers are organizing a Ukrainian fundraising campaign.

9.4 Parent Committee Delegate Report

February 3, 2022

At this PC meeting, Mr. Hipps and his team explained about STA procedure and answered questions concerning STA in our school board. He explained that subject time allocation (STA) takes place every year and is approved by each school's governing board. STA is a school decision made to meet the needs of the community.

There was a discussion concerning rapid tests for homeschooled students, high school students and AEVT students in our School Board. 2nd Dose Vaccination Campaign will be held in February 2022.

Open discussion on CO2 Sensors / open windows in classes
The chairperson explained that based on the feedback he is receiving, there are a lot of windows open in schools and students have to bundle up and parents are frustrated. Many parents were concerned on the accuracy of the data being sent to the government as opening windows may cause inaccurate data to be reported. Also, parents are reporting that some kids are getting anxious and worried watching the numbers go up on the CO2 meter.

The Assistant Director General reassured members that the readings are in live time and that the measures put in place are effective and safe. When it comes to the cold weather, the directive from the ministry is that the level of comfort for the students supersedes that of opening the windows. Teachers can also open the doors and are being asked that during the cold weather to only open windows at recess and lunch when students are not in class.

March 10, 2022

At this PC meeting, a presentation was given by President Katherine Korakakis explaining the role and purpose of EPCA. EPCA represents all English-speaking parents across the province. EPCA successfully aided in the translation of the website Allo Prof. This tool helps students with their homework. Allo Prof is different from LEARN Quebec. LEARN is a tutoring service. EPCA also puts out a monthly newsletter on various topics. You can sign up for it on their website. EPCA is asking PC that when they consult or send our surveys, it is important that we answer and share the information given to our GBs and as many parents as possible. It is the only way to know what the parents want and how we can advocate in their behalf.

We discussed the new sanitary measures put in place by the government and our School board. Specifically, on March 7, 2022, masks can be removed when elementary and secondary children are seated in the classroom. On March 12, 2022, the gradual lifting of the vaccination passport requirement and household isolations periods will occur. Proms are now permitted, and details will follow.

Lastly, we discussed the update done on the Mozaïk Parent Portal. Below is a list of advantages of using the Mozaïk Parent Portal.

- Easily accessible from all technological devices
- Internet access as well as mobile app (mParent)
- Facilitates communication between home and school
- Time saver for all users
- Avoids back and forth phone calls or emails
- Gives information in a timely manner – live access
- Provides a variety of useful and practical information to parents
- Have access to: schedule, homework, absences and lates, report cards, finances and messages

9.5 Day Care Report - NONE

9.6 Home & School Report

Home & School is organizing a fundraising event on April 29, 2022. The event, Eat, Laugh, Dance will be held at the Jules Verne elementary school gym. Maximum attendance between 120-140 guests. The MC will be Franco Taddeo, catering by Le Doral and DJ entertainment provided by Unik entertainment. Early Bird special will be set at 35\$ and 40 \$ for regular price. Come join us for an evening of eating, dancing and laughter.

Motion #178-2022-03-21-45 to approve the fundraising event Eat, dance, laugh
By: Lisa Murray
Seconded by: Céline Sévigny
All in favor

10. Question Period - NONE

11. Fundraisers and Activities

11.1 Frozen Musical – Donation Letter

Motion #178-2022-03-21-46 to approve the Donation Letter for the Frozen Musical

By: Karine Lasanté

Seconded by: Lisa Murray

All in favor

11.2 Frozen Musical - Dates for Show and Practices

Motion #178-2022-03-21-47 to approve the Frozen Musical dates for Show (June 10) and Practices (June 6 and 8)

By: Claudia Pisanelli

Seconded by: Steve Samanez

All in favor

11.3 Ukraine Fundraiser

Motion #178-2022-03-21-48 to approve the Ukraine Fundraiser

By: Denise Karelis

Seconded by: Kelly Nolan

All in favor

12. Field Trips

Fieldtrip Grid – Updates due to rescheduling

12.1 Maison des Arts de Laval/Grade 2/April 13

Motion #178-2022-03-21-49 to approve the fieldtrip to Maison des Arts de Laval

By: Marie-Claire Verdon

Seconded by: Céline Sévigny

All in favor

12.2 Maison des Arts de Laval/Grade 1/April 12

Motion #178-2022-03-21-50 to approve the fieldtrip to Maison des Arts de Laval

By: Lisa Murray

Seconded by: Eva Cerulli

All in favor

12.3 Playground Leadership Outing/April 14

Motion #178-2022-03-21-51 to approve the Leadership outing

By: Marie-Claire Verdon

Seconded by: Christina Pelle

All in favor

13. Next Meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, April 26, 2022 @ 7:00pm via Zoom

14. Adjournment

Motion #178-2022-03-21-52 for adjournment

By: Marie-Claire Verdon

Seconded by: Kelly Nolan

All in favor

Time 8:46 pm

CLOSING:

IT IS MOVED by Marie-Claire Verdon and seconded by Kelly Nolan, at Jules Verne Elementary School in Laval, that the meeting be closed.

Denise Karelis
Chairperson

Tina Miscio
School Administrator