

**QUEBEC HIGH SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD**
945 Belvedere, Quebec City,
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Governing Board Meeting
Monday, March 26th, 2018
6:30 p.m. in the VCN Room

Minutes

Present:

Warren Thomson
Douglas Grant
Josée Simard
Judith Vézina
Carrienne Bell
Suzie Chiasson-Renaud
Kelly Eden

Sandra Cole
Jill Gagnon
Jean-Luc Trahan
Andrea Heitshu-Craig
Susan McBain
Ed Sweeney

Absent:

Ann Gauthier
Rebecca Palmer

1. Quorum was reached, meeting started at 6:30 p.m. A new parent member (A. Heitshu-Craig) was welcomed, as another parent (A. Detre) is no longer available to attend meetings.
2. Approval of the Agenda – moved by J. Gagnon, seconded by J. Simard
3. No questions from public or members
4. Approval of the Minutes of the February 5th 2018 meeting – moved by S. Chiasson-Renaud, seconded by J. Gagnon
5. Governing Board business
 - (a) *The Project status report*
J-L Trahan should have more information at the next meeting, pending MEES announcements.
 - (b) *Preliminary enrolment figures for 2018-2019*
W Thomson presented preliminary figures. There are 44 new students registered for next Fall. With approx. 100 students leaving (Sec. 5 graduates, international exchange students leaving, etc.), that will mean a decline of about 80 students compared to this year. Mr. Thomson is disappointed after having a great Open House and will meet with staff to discuss what can be done differently. The Governing Board is confident that

everything is being done to promote our school, but it still has the reputation of being a special needs school, an arts school, etc. We will continue to encourage parents to get the word out to our elementary schools about our outstanding sports and academic achievements. We are confident that enrolment will swing our way again.

(c) *Course selections for 2018-2019*

Our 10-day schedule and time allocation per subject will not change, including the Day 10 teacher meetings. Approval was moved by C. Bell, seconded by J. Vezina.

6. Student Council's Report

The Outdoor Ed will be camping in Gaspé next week. March 29th will be Twin Day. The Fashion Show will be on April 27th. Congratulations to the Improv team for finishing 2nd in their first competition and to the Senior Girls basketball team for finishing 1st in the regular season. The Regionals will take place April 7th, 11 AM at QHS.

7. Principal's Report

Upcoming events:

- Fashion show
- Music Extravaganza
- Music Theatre
- PAF (Performing Arts Festival) will hosted by QHS on April 6th, our students will have a PED day if not participating at the PAF.

Improv team is doing great; basketball season is winding down; rugby for boys and girls have started practicing; sign-up sheets for Ultimate Frisbee look like there will be enough for two teams and jogging club is also meeting.

The Ecuador trip was a big success. Coming up are the BC and Alberta exchange trips as well as the Seniors NY trip. Trivia night is scheduled for April 20th.

The Award Night will take place on June 5th, Graduation Ceremony on June 8th and prom on June 22nd. Due to a large cohort, the Graduation Ceremony is at a new venue this year: the Salle Jean-Paul Tardif at St-Charles-Garnier.

Work has started on the Final Exams schedule. The Math teachers have requested a special all-day Math exam practice test if possible.

We will start moving away from iPads and will look at Chromebook based devices instead which are much more palatable in terms of cost.

The MEES budget will be announced later this week.

8. Other reports

(a) *Transportation Committee*

No report.

(b) Parents' Committee

JL Trahan explained that Mr. Sutherland at the board office is working on renewing the CQSB vision and mission statements, etc. The Parents' Committee was invited to a workshop to consult on this as well as a new strategic plan based on the new guidelines recently published by the MEES.

(c) CLC report

No report.

9. Business arising

Every year, some student awards are paid out of our Governing Board budget. There was a unanimous vote to continue to contribute to these awards and increase the donation as needed. Motioned by J. Gagnon, seconded by S. McBain.

10. No correspondence

11. Varia:

The updated Budget Management Process (Youth Sector) was received today from the school board and was briefly discussed. The only major change is the holding back of 3% of the budget instead of 15%. J-L Trahan suggested we look it over and email him by April 6th with our comments/suggestions.

12. No questions from public or members

13. Next meetings:

The next scheduled meetings are April 30th at 6:30 PM, May 30th at 6:30 PM and a supper meeting to be determined in June.

14. Meeting was adjourned.