

QUEBEC HIGH SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
945 Belvedere, Quebec City,
Quebec G1S 3G2



Governing Board Meeting
Thursday, February 19th 2018
6:30 p.m. in the School Cafeteria

Minutes

Present:

Principal:

Warren Thomson
JoAnne Arsenault

Support Staff:

Josée Simard

Community:

Ed Sweeney

Teachers

Rebecca Palmer
Laura Peterson

Students

Olivia Ouellet
Kelly Eden

Parents :

Jean-Luc Trahan
Jill Gagnon
Ann Gauthier
Rhea Utley
Sandra Cole
Andrea Heitshu-Craig

Absent

Gina Gauvin
Douglas Grant

Quorum was reached, meeting started at 6:30 p.m.

1. Opening of the Assembly and verification of the Quorum
2. Approval of the Agenda – unanimously approved with an addition to varia :
 - a) Request for awards
3. Question period - the question period was use to debrief on the situation that occurred on Friday, Feb. 15th
 - 4 parents were present in addition to those on the GB
 - School principal and VP described the circumstances, the events, the communication, the follow ups and the professional support that was available. They also clarified police forces' role, as it was their decision to order Lockdown and they are in charge with the investigation. They have a suspect, they believe that it is a student. He was released under certain conditions he must respect. The school is working with the parents not to have the suspect come back to the

school. The principal specified that it the counsel of commissioners that has the power to expel a student. All students were met the following Monday. Professional help was made available. They left Tuesday at lunch time after meeting with everyone that needed to. One message to students was to come forward to teachers and adults if they have information rather than spread it with friends. Another message sent to kids is to be careful of the information you put online and the impact it can have.

- Everyone agreed that the school was handled very efficiently and professionally the events. Congratulations to the entire team.
- It was asked by a parent if there is a plan to follow up with education activities with the kids about digital citizenships and relay to parents the teachings. The school is working on it.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the December 11th 2018 meeting – Moved by, Rhea Utley seconded by Josée Simard

5. Student Council Report

- Different activities were organized and went really well
 - cheese was sold as a prom fundraising activity
 - Leadership class is organizing a
 - St-Pat's parade participation is being organized even though follow ups are not thorough.
 - Trying to organize another dance
 - Christmas banquet was a real success and it included the 5 levels
 - Improv team made the 4th place at the Canadian Improv Games (CIG) Regional competition in Montreal.
 - Senior boys and senior girls participate in a basketball tournament.
 - Fashion show is coming in spring
 - New-York trip is planned for Sec 5.

6. Governing Board business

a) Review of School's Anti-Bullying Plan

- The anti-bullying committee revised the action plan. Besides data update, the format was changed. The new format highlights the measures, procedures and actions to be enhanced and new practices to consider. A pamphlet is under construction. Students will contribute with artwork. The code of conduct will be revised making sure that it is aligned with the plan. The abridged version will be

RESOLUTION 1819-01: The Governing board approves the revised version of the School's Anti-Bullying Plan. Moved by Rhea Utley seconded Andrea Heitshu-Craig

- b) Update on the School's Educational Project
 - At this point a draft is ready for a working session with the committee formed of a community member and parents from the GB. This meeting had to be rescheduled because of the February 15th events.
7. Principal's Report
- a) Academics:
 - Report cards were sent this afternoon.
 - Exam week's model works fine
 - b) Arts:
 - Different events of the "Art Season" are coming up
 - c) Athletics
 - Full swing of basketball seasons, with the help of alumni
 - d) Active Citizenship
 - It is a big year of involvement in the community
8. Other reports
- a) Transportation Committee :
 - QHS does not have a representative
 - b) Parents' Committee
 - IEP issues were brought up.
 - Digital library presentation. Cost is an issue and it requires funding.
 - Money from the parent committee can be available for project. A subcommittee was formed to define the guidelines. 1500\$ is available per years.
 - Bill 3 is being pushed by the new government. Mr Burk did a presentation about the importance of the School Board for the English community
 - c) CLC Report
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 - d) Special need committee:
 - A meeting was held in December

- There was different presentations (ex: ways to do exams in the younger grades)
- A IEP sub-committee might be formed, to discuss ways to help schools to write better plans.
- School board restructured the educational services, one of the 3 coordinators will be in charge of the complementary services.

9. Business Arising

- No business.

10. Correspondence

- No correspondence

11. Varia

- Request for awards: Tabled to the next meeting.

12. Dates of next meetings:

- March 19th 2019, April 23rd, May 14th

13. Adjournment

- GB unanimously adjourned the meeting