

# Lord Aylmer School



## Minutes – Governing Board January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Call to order: A virtual meeting for governing board was held on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:01pm Presided over by Alex Butler (chairperson) with Megan Kuchinsky as secretary.

In attendance: Sam Halpin, Hannah Patrick, Megan Kuchinsky, Alex Butler, Carissa Piercey, Marta Guay, Michelle McDonald, Alanna McIntyre, Jenn Peddie, Julie Belisle, Lynn Kearns, Justin Ford.

- Guest Cathy Goldsbrough – Our Commissioner for the LA riding attended the meeting temporarily to introduce herself and open the floor for questions or concerns.

Agenda Item: Parent Committee Alternate – Presented by Alex - For Approval  
Notes

- Parent committee has been without an alternate.
- Looking to parents within governing board interested in being alternate
- Alex offers his candidanship as an alternate parent committee representative in the event that Justin is unable to attend

**Motion to approve Alex as Alternate:** Justin Ford  
**Secunder:** Marta

Agenda Item: Operational Budget – Presented by Sam – For Information

- A new grant was allocated by the ministry to purchase new books for classroom libraries. This budget has been distributed among L.A teachers
- Glynda Simmons has been hired to provide tutoring for both JR and SR campuses
- An Indigenous music group will be visiting L.A on February 9<sup>th</sup> - This is being funded through the spiritual animation grant

**\*The Governing Board was made aware of the operational budget**

Agenda Item: Diversity Plan - Presented by Alex – For Discussion

- Alex facilitated a discussion among GB members regarding the representation of different holidays within both Lord Aylmer campuses

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- Justin brought up a new idea for the diversity plan. National AccessAbility Week which is held in May. Lord Aylmer will look into this opportunity

Agenda Item: Plan de Rattrapage (Catch up Plan) - Presented by Sam – For Information  
Notes

- A Remediation plan has been put in place : A \$39,358.64 budget has been allocated to Lord Aylmer to provide remediation within the classrooms. Small group remediation will be provided to those who require. The remediation plan will be carried out during school hours – Plan will be put into motion beginning January 29th
- Tutoring: A \$14,403.55 budget has been allocated to Lord Aylmer to provide tutoring- Tutoring will be done outside school hours (before school, lunch or after school) – It will be provided to students who are currently working between the 50%-60% range.
- Both tutoring and remediation will be provided by school staff.
- Resource ideas and links will also be provided to guardians to support students working at any level

Agenda Item: Sexuality Education – Presented by Sam - For Approval (plan, not content)  
Notes

- Information was provided to GB regarding the Sexuality Education Program.
- Community document was presented and discussed for Approval

**Motion to Approve:** Colleen  
**Seconded:** Julie

Agenda Item: Education Project – Presented by Sam et-al - For Information  
Notes

- First Draft has been shared
- Project committee will meet again on February 14<sup>th</sup>
- Deadline to produce final draft has been extended to April 1<sup>st</sup>
- A Solution will be provided to those who are not able to access the draft due to WQSB access.

Agenda Item: Field Trips – Presented by Hannah – for Approval  
Notes

- Jr campus Winter activity Day trip will be to L'Ange Gardien on February 2<sup>nd</sup>
- The total for the trip comes to approximately \$11,000 -

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- Sr Campus Winter Activity Day Trip will be to - Lac Beauchamp on February 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Cost for Sr Campus outing will be approximately \_\$ Approx. \$7500.00
- Center of excellence Winter Activity Daytrip will be to Les Galleries d'Aylmer. Date TBD

**Motion to Approve: Megan**  
**Secunder: Michelle**

Agenda Item: Drama Fundraiser – Presented by Hannah – For Approval

Notes

- Play Title: Alien Research
- Date will be set in February – To be determined
- They would like to sell snacks and drinks. Money will go toward future Drama programs

**Motion to approve: Justin**  
**Secunder: Julie**

Agenda Item: New Rentals – Presented by Hannah – For Approval

Notes

- Indoor soccer
- Wellness Retreat – Singing Bowl & Meditation

**Motion to Approve: Justin**  
**Secunder: Carissa**

Agenda Item: Teacher Report - Presented by Teachers – For Information

Notes

- Cycle 2 students are in the midst of completing their Language Arts Formative Assesments. In Phys Ed they have been cross country skiing with Mr C.
- Cycle 3 students have been preparing for the play that will be held in February. 2 Destination Imagination teams are working hard preparing for their tournament in March.

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Agenda Item: Daycare report – Presented by Julie – For Information

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- Daycare is going well
- Michelle will be filling the post of Special Education Technician at the JR campus for the remainder of the year.
- Michelles position as Daycare Principal Class has been posted for a replacement

Agenda Item: Home and School Report: Presented by Hannah & Christina - For information

Notes

- Date night is coming up in February. Parents will drop off their children and go on a date- 50 kids max
- Pizza shop is opening again shortly

Agenda Item: Parent Committee – Presented by Justin – For Information

- February 5,6<sup>th</sup> - New dates for the governing board training sessions
- During the most recent PC meeting, many policies have been tagged to be discussed and updated.
- First policy on the list - Drug Free Schools Policy

- **Next GB meeting set for – February 21<sup>st</sup> 2024 – 6:00pm**
- **Following GB meeting set for - March 20<sup>th</sup> 2024 – 6:00pm**

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm

**Minutes – Pending approval @ February 2024 meeting.**

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