



**John F. Kennedy High School
Governing Board
Minutes for meeting held on:
January 12, 2021
5:00 PM
- VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING -**

PRESENCE:

Parents: Mr Johnny Leoci ⁽¹⁾, Mrs Sophie Camard ⁽¹⁾, Mrs Silvy Gomes ⁽²⁾, Mr Siavash Solati ⁽²⁾ – by phone

Administration: Mr Otis Delaney ^(Principal), Mr Vito Guerriero ^(Vice-Principal)

Teachers/Staff: Mrs Romaine Hranek, Mrs Nathalie Cloutier, Mr Gerry Tullio, Mrs Alessandra Zanello

Community Rep: Mrs Carmie Lato

Student Reps: Mr Alexander Milioto, Mr Mirko Hozjan-Guerra

Commissioner: Mr Agostino Cannavino ^(Commissioner)

PPO:

Public/Guests: Ms Maria Hamade

Regrets: Mrs Nathalie Cloutier ^(Teacher)
Mr Alexander Milioto ^(Student Rep)
Mr Siavash Solati ^(Parent)

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved on a motion by A. Zanello, seconded by J. Leoci with the following addition under "Business Arising":

- Follow-up re: resources for special needs

2. Adoption of the minutes of Sept 29 2020

The minutes of the November 2020 meeting were approved unanimously, by those present at that meeting, on a motion by J. Leoci, seconded by A. Zanello.

The December 2020 was cancelled to due Covid restrictions.

3. Business Arising

3.1 – Covid-19 Safety Measures Update

- awaiting distribution of surgical masks as per latest government announcement that they'd be providing masks to all schools (2/day per student and staff)
- this means approx. 1000 masks per day for JFK
- currently have an inventory of 11,000 masks which equals to roughly an 11 day supply
- each class will be equipped with a special mask throw-away bin which will then be forwarded to a recycling center specialized in this type of product recycling
- received directive through Regional Directors that the 2-meter distance must be enforced during lunches, we will see what needs to be adjusted
- latest positive case was Dec 27th but they were already out of school since Dec 17th
- total # of positive cases at JFK = 7
- EMSB is now requiring identification of positive cases in Mozaik app; need to identify if wether the case is an adult, youth, staff, etc
- Air Purifiers – letters sent to Messrs. Copeman and Ortona – still no response
- Regarding reimbursement for expenses already incurred for Covid-19 – no official response yet, but the EMSB reminds GB that some things are out of their jurisdiction and that budget items are to be dealt with by the Principal and not GB
- regarding acrylic desk shields – no response yet
- Mr. Cannavino will continue with follow-ups, and relay updates at future meetings; recommends he be cc'd on all correspondence on such matters as above

3.2 – Christmas Baskets Update

- huge success
- thanks to the dedicated team that helped with the campaign – A. Zanello, J. Leoci, V. Guerriero, O. Delaney, WOTP and all Staff Members
- a total of 40 families in our community were provided for (originally 50, but approx 10 families desisted and paid it forward instead as they kindly informed that they were now in a more favourable position to not require the basket
- each basket was an approximate value of \$250
- in addition to the 40 families, we were also able to contribute to Second Chance Café, St-Brendan's, and the Old Brewery Mission Patricia McKenzie Pavilion
- Laurier MacDonald HS also contributed \$1200
- Sun Youth donated toys through WOTP
- families were extremely appreciative of the generosity
- after all that, we still have enough left at JFK to provide for another 7-10 families if need be
- created many new partnerships, among which Monthly Dignity which provides hygiene products for women in need
- baskets were delivered Dec 17th and 18th
- J. Leoci recognized A. Zanello for the great work in contacting all, and a huge thank you to the administrators, staff, WOTP and all who were involved in the campaign. Great job! We are all very proud!
- Mr. Delaney in turn recognized and thanked J. Leoci's for his successful efforts with corporate sponsors

3.3 – Special Needs resources

- despite JFK's needs for extra special needs resources, justified by its percentage of coded students, extra resources still cannot be provided and remain on the wish list for now due to budgetary constraints
- two teachers were assigned – one to Aim High, one to WOTP
- despite recognizing the need, we are considered well funded by the Board
- it's a question of organization
- it was recommended that we include some of these hoped-for things on our Budget Building document due to be submitted soon, particularly the recommendation of revising how coded students are weighted (if weighted students were counted as per codes, JFK's student population would be the equivalent of approx. 700 students vs the actual 325)

- S. Camard pointed out that prior to the elimination of school boards in favour of Organismes Scolaires, the \$\$ for coded students would go directly to the "établissement scolaire" but now it goes to the "organismes scolaires". A lot of our students are integrated and follow an inclusive policy, we should inform ourselves, ask for the measures to be applied as outlined in the law, and ensure we receive the money our school is entitled to under that law.

Sophie will keep following up on this dossier, including through ACSES, and Mr Delaney will equally follow up. GB will revisit at a future meeting.

4. New Business

4.1 Principal Selection

- the document was approved unanimously, with the added recommendations brought forth by S Camard via email (to which there were no objections), motioned by A. Zanello, seconded by S. Gomes.
- J. Leoci will modify the document as per above and send to EMSB by required deadline.

4.2 Budget Building Process

- O. Delaney recommends a separate meeting for completion of this document
- recommendation to include consideration for weighted ratios
- depending on weighed population/enrollment, require staff assistance accordingly
- should also include Covid-19 related issues/expenses, and perhaps revisit some of the items from last school year (ie: bathroom renovations).
A. Zanello recommends including the possibility of converting some water fountains, currently not in use due to Covid, to hand-washing stations
- suggestion for an in-person meeting next Tuesday (Jan 19) to brainstorm, J. Leoci to send out reminder/invite

5. Principal's Report

- still waiting on decision on marking of two terms, 40/60?
- supplemental and ministry exams cancelled
- waiting to see how we can evaluate (local exams for those who need supplement?)
- CEGEP bound students, Sec 5 students, looking at presentation, preliminary set-up etc.
- some students excel at online learning, but many others don't. Many require lots of support, experience lots of anxiety, etc. Guidance Counsellor helping.
- ministry to provide, as mentioned earlier, 2 masks per students/staff per day
- parking lot: contractors in on the adult side, Rosemount Technology renovations
- Mr. Tonin and 10 staff – Jan 29 – First Aid Clinic
- Day of Hope by Spiritual Animator

Vice-Principal Report – V Guerriero

- nil for this month

6. **Treasurer's Report** -

Balance from 2019-20 -- \$485
2020-21 budget -- \$250
Balance -- \$735

7. **Teachers' Report** - nil

8. **Students' Report** - nil

9. **PPO Report** - nil

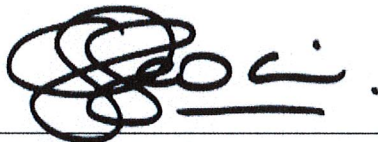
10. **Delegate's Report** - next PC meeting next week, will keep GB posted on priorities

11. **Correspondence** - nil

12. **Question Period** - nil

13. **Varia** - nil

Adjournment - meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. on motion by C. Lato, seconded by S. Gomes.



Mr. Johnny Leoci
Chair



Mr. Otis Delaney
Principal