

Maple Grove Elementary School - Governing Board 2024-2025

Meeting Minutes

October 9th 2024, 6:30pm @ Maple Grove School

1) Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 6:33pm.

a) Establishment of quorum

MEMBERS: Mathieu Young, Joanne McGee, Lorraine Deliva, Aaron Totton, Cathenna Michaud, Vanessa Boodoosingh, Debbie Carbray.

STAFF: Lucy Glave, Sylvie Turcotte, Arla Connell, Peggy Scott.

PUBLIC: Nicholas Deschenes, Sarah Fortin, Parick Whitham.

REGRETS: None.

2) Land acknowledgement

Read by Mathieu Young.

3) Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda by Cathenna Michaud, seconded by Arla Connell, voted unanimously in favour.

4) Approval of the minutes

a) September 18, 2024

Motion to approve the minutes by Joanne McGee, seconded by Sylvie Turcotte, voted unanimously in favour.

5) Business arising from the minutes

a) Internal Rules of management (corrections/updates)

Motion to approve the corrections/updates by Sylvie Turcotte, seconded by Debbie Carbray, voted unanimously in favour.

b) Alternate parent members (4 open seats)

Nicholas Deschenes self-nominated. Motion to approve Nicholas by Cathenna Michaud, seconded by Sylvie Turcotte, voted unanimously in favour.

c) Community representatives (2 open seats)

There has been no interest. This item will be tabled for the time being.

6) Regular business

a) School field trips

i) Volleyball tournament

- January 9, 2025 from 8:45am to 2:00pm
- Location: John Abbott College (transportation by school bus)
- For grades 5 & 6, ratio of 1:10, cost of \$20.00

ii) Halo Road Race

- May 8, 2025 from 9:00am to 2:00pm

- Location: Mount Royal (transportation by school bus)
- For grades 5 & 6, ratio of 1:10, cost of \$20.00

iii) Track & Field

- May 28, 2025 from 9:00am to 2:00pm
- Location: PCHS (transportation by school bus)
- For grades 4 to 6, ratio of 1:10, cost of \$20.00

Motion to approve all three field trips by Cathenna Michaud, seconded by Arla Connell, voted unanimously in favour.

There will also be a trip to a library. This item will be tabled until next month, as we are still waiting on more details.

b) Daycare field trips

- Movie Day
- December 9 at Cinema Kirkland
- Transportation by school bus, ratio of 1:9, cost of \$45.00 (includes day care fee, cinema ticket, transport, and kiddie combo)
- Hopefully the movie will be Moana 2

Motion to approve by Joanne McGee, seconded by Debbie Carbray, voted unanimously in favour.

7) Reports

a) GB Chair

Reminder to broadcast the open seats for alternate members on the Facebook page; encouraged everyone to get the word out.

b) Principal

Aaryn Bradley is on a leave of absence and Lucy Glave is with us as interim principal. Lucy has only been with us for a few days and therefore has no report; she will defer to the teachers' report.

c) Teacher/Staff

Sylvie Turcotte: We have collected over \$900.00 for Terry Fox.

Arla Connell: Grad committee raised \$400.00 at the corn roast. Cycle 1 had a parade in the hallways today. Tryouts for the Math Olympics were today (school board event on December 3 from 5:30pm-9:00pm at Lakeside); we can have a team of 12 students and will practice every Wednesday.

d) Daycare

- We have 131 students as of today.
- There will be a conflict on parent-teacher night. The daycare uses 6 classrooms an English resource, but the staff will need their classrooms that day. Suggestions: use the gym for the students (there are children of too many different age groups; separation is necessary), use the gym for the teachers (it's easier to displace 6 teachers than 131 students), or use the library. This issue will be brought to staff council.

e) Home & School

- Lorraine Deliva presented the executive members for this year: Cathenna Michaud (president), Lorraine Deliva (vice-president and secretary), and Aaron Totton (treasurer).
- Book Fair will be on November 6-7-8. Sylvie Turcotte will check how this affects the gym classes.
- Collection for the silent auction has already begun. Donations are welcome.
- Dominos delivery fundraiser will be November 12 (pre-approved in June 2024).
- Exploring other options for the pizza lunch fundraiser (also waiting for news from Cantine Pour Tous).
- Fundraiser approval request: Subway lunch on October 30, same sandwich options as last year, there will be Home & School volunteers to distribute, price will be \$8.00 per meal (consists on one 6-inch sandwich, a cookie, and a juice box). Motion to approve by Debbie Carbray, seconded by Peggy Scott, voted unanimously in favour.
- Fundraiser approval request: Fundscrip. Sale of gift cards; the cards get delivered to the school and the Home & School members sort them. Before the holidays is the best time but it can be left open all year. Motion to approve by Peggy Scott, seconded by Arla Connell, voted unanimously in favour.

f) PC Rep

First meeting is tomorrow. No report today.

g) Commissioner

- Council has not met yet because of the elections.
- There will be no election for Lachine/Dorval; the positions were acclaimed.
- Question: How the Maple Grove wing at Lakeside is going?
- Answer: Parents were concerned about the lack of communication and separation from the school body; we are waiting on updates from the school board to confirm if the Maple Grove wing will house all of the K4 and K5 students as of next year.
- Question: How many K4 and K5 students are there?
- Answer: Approximately 81.

8) New business

None.

9) Correspondence/Consultation

None.

10) Questions from the public

Question: Will there be modifications to the playground at Lakeside to accommodate the number of K4 and K5 students?

Answer: We will receive a consultation about this.

11) Varia

a) Ninja park and playground

- A child was injured at a couple of weeks ago at the playground. Can we have info on the upkeep of the playground and ninja park?
- Details needed: Was the child part of Maple Grove school? Was it during or after school? Patrick Whitham will take this issue with him.

b) Librarian

- Is there news on a librarian?
- We have one now, she is in on Fridays.

12) Next meeting

- a) Wednesday November 13th 2024, 6:30pm @ Maple Grove

13) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Peggy Scott at 8:06pm.