

**Minutes of the In-Person Meeting Of Maple Grove Governing Board held at Maple Grove School
On December 13, 2022**

PRESENT

Administration

Deborah Shizgal

Parent Members

Lorraine Deliva, Oumy Dia, Aaron Totton, Terhemba Ambe-Uva, Mathieu Young, David Marcogliese

Staff Members

Helen Athanasopoulos, Arla Connell, Sylvie Turcotte

Public

Devon Dopson

Commissioner

Patrick Whitham

Regrets

Kathy Fournier

1. Call to order

a) Establishment of quorum: confirmed. The meeting was called to order at 6:44.

2. Land acknowledgement

Read by Lorraine Deliva.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda by Helen Athanasopoulos, seconded by Mathieu Young, voted unanimously in favor.

4. Approval of the minutes

- a) October 12, 2022: Still not ready. To be tabled until the January meeting.
- b) November 8, 2022: Still not ready. To be tabled until the January meeting.

5. Business arising from the minutes

a) School photos are late, parents are not happy with the photographer. We now have many options of new photographers so we can choose a new one for next year. Selection of the photographer is the school's decision; Mrs Shizgal will review the suggestions.

6. Regular business

a) School field trips

École de Cirque in Verdun on Jan 12 (grade 5) and Jan 13 (grade 6). Transportation by school bus, activity is from 8:15am-2:00pm, paid by École Montréalaise. Motion to approve by Terhemba Ambe-Uva, seconded by David Marcogliese, voted unanimously in favor.

b) Daycare field trips

None (Peggy is absent).

c) School budget

Presented by Mrs Shizgal. We have 381 students registered, and she plans on using the entire budget since any remaining funds are taken back from the school. Motion to approve the budget by Lorraine Deliva, seconded by Terhemba Ambe-Uva, voted unanimously in favor.

7. Reports

a) **Chair**

Welcomed Commissioner Patrick Whitham to the meeting.

b) **Principal**

- Nov 9: Puppet show for grade 1
- Nov 9: Virtual presentation for Remembrance Day
- Nov 10: Remembrance Day assemblies
- Nov 11: PED Day and the enrichment exam for grade 6
- Nov 17-18: Parent-teacher interviews
- Nov 16-18: Scholastic Book Fair
- Nov 17: Dress-down day to benefit PEF
- Dec 5: D'Jambe held workshops for Kindergarten
- Dec 7: Brian Ewenson gave 2 presentations to the school
- Dec 8: Lakeside Band performed 2 concerts
- Dec 12: Dental hygienists screened grade 2's for molar sealing
- Coming up: Many fun activities in and out of school as we head into the holidays: Pancake Breakfast, Crazy Sock and Hair Day, PJ Day, Ugly Sweater Day, Glitter and Glam Day. December 23 will be a shortened day ending at 11:25am (daycare ends at 4:00pm).

c) **Teacher/Staff**

- Helen Athanasopoulos: The children are all excited for the holidays. We had Mohawk educational visit by Natasha Phillips.
- Sylvie Turcotte: Kids are still practicing for the volleyball tournament in January.
- Arla Connell: Grade 6 kids are training twice a week for the Math Olympics at Lakeside Academy.
- Everyone enjoyed having the book fair back in the school, but the teachers would like to request for the next fair that the novelty items be put out only in the evenings when the parents are there.

d) **Daycare**

None (Peggy is absent).

e) **Home & School**

- i. Scholastic Book Fair made \$4069 in sales, and there will be a credit of \$2416 added to the account. Felix & Norton made \$4000 in sales.

ii. Subway Lunch: To be held on Wednesdays. Date options are Jan 25, Feb 22, Mar 22, Apr 26, May 24, and June 21. We are partnering with a different Subway restaurant who will provide 6-inch sandwiches instead of 4-inch along with a juice box. We will buy a separate treat that is peanut-free. The price will be \$7.00 per lunch (Subway is charging us \$4.50 per lunch). Motion to approve this fundraiser by Aaron Totton, seconded by Oumy Dia, voted unanimously in favor.

iii. Krispy Kreme Doughnuts: We will collect orders from Jan 16 – Feb 1. It will be an online process, just like Felix & Norton, and we will move the red mailbox to the lobby for cash sent in to the school. The doughnuts will be delivered to the school at no cost on Feb 9 for distribution. The price per box (1 dozen per box) will be \$6.00. Motion to approve this fundraiser by Aaron Totton, seconded by Arla Connell, voted unanimously in favor.

f) PC Rep

g) Commissioner

- A policy for field trips at the high school level was approved.
- The 2023-2024 budget consultation is coming soon. It can be done online. The deadline to submit will be March 31, 2023.

8. Correspondence/Consultation

None.

9. Questions from the public

None.

10. Varia

Question: Is there a predicted date for the school photos to be ready?

Answer: Mrs Shizgal will contact the photographer.

11. Next meeting

January 17, 6:30pm, via Zoom.

12. Adjournment

Motioned by Mathieu Young at 7:49pm.