

**Minutes of the In Person Meeting Of Maple Grove Governing Board held at Maple Grove School
On November the 8th 2022**

PRESENT

Administration

Deborah Shizgal

Parent Members

Lorraine Deliva, Oumy Dia, Toni Lowe, Aaron Totton, Terhempa Ambe-Uva, Mathieu Young

Staff Members

Kathy Fournier, Helen Athanasopoulos, Sylvie Turcotte, Arla Connell

Public

Fiona Rigby, Stephen Roy, Devon Dopson

Regrets

None

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair Lorraine Deliva at 6:37pm.

2) Land Acknowledgement

The land acknowledgement was read by Lorraine Deliva.

3) Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to approve the minutes by Kathryn Fournier, seconded by Helen Athanasopoulos. Voted unanimously in favor.

4) Approval of the minutes

a) October 12, 2022

The minutes are still incomplete. Approval will be tabled until the next meeting.

5) Business Arising From the Minutes

a) New photographer possibilities for next year's school photos

- A parent emailed the Governing Board. They were very unsatisfied with the final photos and with the package options. They would like a photographer who offers a digital package, and who accepts payments online rather than having to send cash to school. This is not the first parent to make a negative comment about the photographer.
- Parents have submitted options for other photographers. Cathenna Michaud has volunteered to compile the info and reach out to them for quotes.

6) Regular Business

a) School field trips

i) **Insectarium: Life Cycle of Insects**

For grade 5 students on December 15th, 2022 from 9:00am-10:30am.
Transportation by school bus, paid by Ecole Montrealaise (no cost to parents).
1:10 ratio (6 adults and 53 students).

Motion to approve by Aaron Totton, seconded by Arla Connell. Voted
unanimously in favor: motion approved.

ii) Centre des sciences de Montréal: Dinosaures Autour du monde

For grade 3 students on January 18th, 2023 from 9:30am-1:45pm.
Transportation by school bus. 1:8 ratio (4 adults to 30 students). Cost is \$976
paid by Culture in the School Grant.

Motion to approve by Mathieu Young, seconded by Helen Athanasopoulos.
Voted unanimously in favor: motion approved.

7) Reports

a) Chair

Governing Board web page on the school website needs to be updated: members, roles, meeting
date and time. Mrs Shizgal didn't realize it wasn't updated; she took note to have it done.

b) Principal

- Interim reports went home Oct. 13, 2022
- K4 and K5 were visited by the fire department on Oct. 20th. They got to ride in the truck
as little firefighters.
- Grades 3, 4 & 6 went to see plays on October 27th.
- K4 was entertained by "La petite valise" on the 27th
- Halloween was a big hit with music, a parade and lots of food.
- Nov. 1st 503 and 603 went to the Pointe a Calliere Museum
- We are up to date with the fire drills and lockdowns
- November 4th is End of Term
- Nov 4th is also photo picture day
- Today, Nov 8th there was a film crew to film our new promotional video

Coming Up:

- Nov 9th brings a puppet show for grade 1
- November 9th - Virtual presentation for Remembrance Day
- November 10th - Remembrance Day Assemblies
- Nov 11th is a PED Day and the Enrichment Exam for Grade 6
- Reports going home on Nov. 16th
- P/T Interviews November 17th and 18th
- Scholastic Book Fair Nov. 17th and 18th

c) Teacher/Staff

Kids have been practicing volleyball at lunchtime to prepare for the tournament at John
Abbott.

d) Daycare

No report.

e) Home & School

Two fundraisers were presented:

- i. **Subway lunch:** We are working out details to get the price, and we will meet with
Peggy to discuss getting volunteers to help distribute to the classes. We will ask for
approval at a later meeting when the details are finalized.
- ii. **Krispy Kreme:** We are looking into the possibility of getting the doughnuts delivered
to the school for free. We will then work out a price and date (we are looking at

February 2023). We will ask for approval at a later meeting when the details are finalized.

f) PC Rep

November 1 was the first School Board meeting PC Rep attended as a guest so no report. Next meeting will be on November 28th. PC rep will have an orientation session for newly elected members on November 24th before being sworn in on November 28th at the Caucus meeting.

g) Commissioner

No report.

8) Correspondence/ Consultation

None

9) Questions from the Public

Question: What is a Commissioner?

Answer: The Commissioner of our school's electoral division. He is invited to each meeting. His name is Patrick Whitham.

Question: What is a PC rep?

Answer: PC stands for Parent Commissioner. Oumy Dia, our Governing Board secretary, is a Parent Commissioner.

10) Varia

None

11) Next Meeting: December 13, 2022 at 6:30pm

a) In person or via Zoom?

Next meeting will be held December 13 2022 at 6:30pm in Person at Maple Grove Elementary School.

12) Adjournment

7:56pm Motioned by Mathieu Young.