



ALLION

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## GOVERNING BOARD Minutes

Tuesday January 16th, 2024

6:30 pm

Staff Room

### Territorial Acknowledgement

- **Welcome / Regrets**

**Attendance**

**Parents Representatives:** Patrick Bayne, Nadia Longo, Todd Smith, Anouk Petit, Erminia DiPietro (Alternate for Valerie Beaudet), Tina Bona (Alternate for Annette Banton)

**Staff representatives:** Linda Aubertin, Alyssa Luponi, Tania Nouvet, Shannon Pine, Donna Montelpart, Maya Johnson

**Administrators:** Josie D'Adamo

**Regrets:** Valerie Beaudet, Annette Banton, Karen Gallant, Lori Morrison (Commissioner)

- **Adoption of the Agenda**

**Motion:** Linda Aubertin

**Second:** Todd Smith

*All in favour*

*Motion Passed*

- **Adoption of Minutes from November 28th 2023**

**Motion:** Alyssa Luponi

**Second:** Todd Smith

*All in favour*

*Motion Passed*

- **Correspondence**

- None

- **Public Question Period**

- None

- **Business Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meeting**

- Change in Dress Code - adding a sweatshirt or hoodie to school dress code
  - Due to popular requests from students, it was brought to the GB committee to add a sweatshirt/hoodie to the dress code.
  - After several discussions, it was decided that adding a plain solid navy sweatshirt / hoodie to the dress code would be acceptable.
  - Also agreed that burgundy cardigan will continue, but will be phased out over the next several years. Will inform the supplier to continue selling current inventory, but will no longer request additional inventory.
  - Also discussed to see if the supplier can manufacture a navy zippered hoodie with Allion name/crest within the same price range as the cardigan. Principal will discuss with the supplier, and if within budget, will add the school Allion hoodie to school inventory for next school year.
  - Motion: Students will be allowed to wear a solid navy blue sweatshirt or hoodie, no other brand/logos will be permitted.

**Motion:** Patrick Bayne

**Second:** Shannon Pine

*All in favour*

*Motion Passed*

- **New Business**

- **Items for Approval**

- **Field Trips, Fundraiser, & Daycare Activities:**

- Grade 6 - Grad Trip - Camp Bon Depart
  - May 15 - 17th 2024
  - Team building & bonding with classmates
  - Includes Dynamic-led activities

<b>Grade</b>	6
<b>Destination</b>	Camp Bon Depot
<b>Transportation</b>	Bus
<b>Cost</b>	\$260 / student (includes food, transportation and activities)
<b>Ratio</b>	1:9 ratio (4 teachers will be attending)

**Motion:** Tania Nouvet

**Second:** Donna Montelpart,

*All in favour*

*Motion Passed*

- **Tournaments & Phys Ed Events:** None
- **Rentals:** None
- **Policies & Programs:** None
- **School Supplies & Fees:** None

- **Items for Adoption: N/A**

- **Day Care Budget 2023 – 2024 – presented by Linda Aubertin**

- Based on the number of children enrolled (349 students)
- Currently, there is a surplus in the daycare budget, however there are some prior daycare items (i.e food for snacks, meals for staff, etc) that were moved to the school budget, so the principal will check with finance if some of the deficit can be transferred to the School budget.

**Motion:** Ermina DiPietro

**Second:** Nadia Longo

*All in favour*

*Motion Passed*

- **Consultations:**

- **Consultation on Principal Selection criteria for the 2024-2025 school year**

- A draft of the Principal selection criteria was sent to the GB Committee prior to the meeting, but not everyone had a chance to review and provide feedback.
- It was decided to postpone the finalization of response until the next GB meeting, to allow everyone to review and provide feedback.

- **Points of Information:** None

- **Reports**

- **Commissioner's Report: N/A**

- Commissioner (Lori Morrison) sent her regrets.

- **Principal's Report:**

Thank you to all the GB members for your dedication and commitment to Allion. Wishing you all the best for the new year. A special thank you to our chair Anouk and to our secretary Nadia. We are beyond grateful for the amazing work you both do.

- **Science center field-** full school trip. The students and staff had an amazing time. Thanks to Ms. Tiffany for organizing this amazing event. Being a STEAM school we will continue to do more amazing STEAM activities. Another school wide activity that we hope to do would be the Cabane a Sucre trip in the spring.
- **Concert -** Thanks to Mr. Matthew & Mr. Bogdan for the wonderful music concert. We had some lovely additions this year with the soloists and the mc's. As well thanks to Home & School for decorating the stage and Mr. Todd for supporting the teachers with set-up. I was very impressed with the amazing show.

- **Open House** - coming up on Jan 25th at 10 am and 6:30 pm. We will continue to have K4- grade 6. There will be a principal presentation followed by tours of the school from our student ambassadors and some staff. Thanks to all the staff attending.
- **Volleyball Tournament** - thanks to Ms. Acton and Mr. George for preparing the students in grade 5 & 6 so well. Allion students are always so well prepared and classy. Thanks to the staff attending and for all the parent volunteers as well.
- **Grade 6 - High school preparation workshop** - are starting up soon for the grade 6's. These are valuable workshops to better prepare our grads of 2024 for high school. There will also be a workshop online for the parents. The dates are JAn. 22, 25, Feb. 2, 5,9,16, 19, 22 from 8:00-8:45 and 8:45-9:30 am. The date for the parent workshop is Feb.13th.
- **Staff Retreat** - Feb. 18 & 19th- staff will have workshops focused around our educational project. Some topics we are looking at include Emotional coaching. STEAM, Team building. We are looking forward to it as it has been over 5 years since the last staff retreat. We will be using PD & student teacher funds. We have a committee that is working hard to organize an amazing event.
- **STEAM Expo** - May 8th- in the evening. Looking forward to seeing all the amazing work of the students. In the upcoming Ped Days (Jan. 26th) we will be getting some training on robotics. As well thanks to Ms. Alyssa L, M, Ms. Angela and Mr Krvachuk for the robotics program at lunch.
- **Ratrappage plan** (Tutoring & social skills group) - please submit student names of students who may be at risk due to the missed school days (Strike days) Teacher's and techs submit names if interested in doing this. Techs will be able to do social skills groups. You will be paid by service contract at your salary scale. There will possibly be online tutoring offered to students as well during March break.
- There may be a change in the reporting of students. We are surveying the teacher. Possibility of moving interviews to March 20th (Instead of March 14th) & reports distributed on March 19th. Due to Josie on March 12th.
- **School Dress code/uniform** - Possibility of adding a hoodie ( navy) solid with the uniform and possibly adding an Allion hoodie to the uniform. (Same price range as the cardigan) Staff council has asked for zip hoodie, pullover cotton navy and plain navy sweater.
- Grade 5 & 6 will be participating in the French Book Club (Qui Lira Vranca).
- **Teachers' Report:**

<b>Kindergarten-4</b>	We had our first in person parent component! Family members joined us in class to have breakfast and decorate cookies. It was a great success! We are working on letters and numbers. We continue to sing songs, read stories and complete winter themed activities.
<b>Kindergarten-5</b>	In French we are working on counting and forming numbers from 1-10. We are learning about winter and acquiring new french vocabulary through learning stations, songs and art activities.
<b>Grade 1</b>	In Math, we are working on equivalent expressions and beginning to do applications in order to be prepared for situational problems.  In ELA, we are working on our sight words, sentence structure, and nouns. We are also working towards our reading skills through different activities such as stations and Bingo!
<b>Grade 2</b>	N/A
<b>Grade 3</b>	Nous continuons à apprendre sur la vie des Iroquoiens en univers social. Nous avons eu un invité qui nous a parlé des différentes sortes de poissons vivant au Québec. Aussi, une spécialiste des Premières Nations nous a fait vivre de bons moments avec son atelier Nous continuons aussi à travailler sur la chaîne alimentaire. Nous utilisons les chansons dans notre apprentissage ainsi que les familles des mots.
<b>341</b>	We are still learning about the Iroquoiens and la Nouvelle-France still in Univers social. We started the Cartesian plane in Maths. We ended our unit on Holidays Around the World in English/ERC. We did a bouteille des souhaits in Art. We are completing our unit on the Moon in Science. We talked about our holidays in French.
<b>Grade 4</b>	Nous continuons la classe des mots, nos résolutions 2024 et le thème l'hiver. En univers social: Nous étudions les éléments importants de la Nouvelle-France. En science: Nous continuons notre unité sur les dinosaures. En art: Nous avons fait des chandails pour les animaux du Canada.
<b>Grade 5</b>	N/A
<b>Grade 6/ 561</b>	N/A
<b>Physical Ed</b>	N/A
<b>Music</b>	N/A
<b>DCP</b>	N/A

<b>Support Staff</b>	N/A
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- **Daycare Report:**

- Ped Day - Jan 26th - Everblast Activity (Dynamics)
- Ped Day - Feb 9th - Break City Hip Hop activity
- Ped Day - May 9th - Cabaret Kids (Dance / Drama activity)
- Afterschool Daycare Activity - Mad Science
  - 8 Week Program starting in March
  - \$160 / student

Motion: Patrick Bayne

Second: Tina Bona

All in favour

Motion Passed

- Looking for lunch monitors - Posting for CVs

- **Support Staff Report:**

- Supporting teachers during strike

- **Parent Representative Report:**

- N/A

- **SNAC Representative Report:**

- N/A

- **Home & School Report:**

- No report
- Next Meeting January 26th 2024

- **Varia**

- Patrick Bayne wanted to recognize the Bishop-Power crossing guard's extra efforts during the last snowstorm in early January. He brought his own shovel and removed all the snow at the 4 corners so that students and parents had an easier time crossing the street.
- Principal requested to revise to reschedule the February 13th 2024 GB meeting to February 6th 2024, to accommodate multiple schedule conflicts. All GB members in attendance agreed to the revised date.

- **Adjournment**

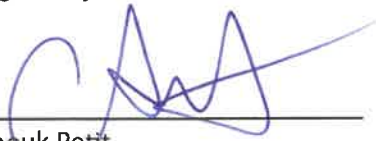
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm on a motion by Tania Nouvet, seconded by Alyssa Luponi.

Date of next meeting: **February 6th 2024 @ 6pm - Zoom Call**

Respectfully Submitted,


Nadia Longo  
GB Secretary

Signed By:



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Anouk Petit  
GB Committee Chair



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Josie D'Adamo  
Allion Elementary Principal