

**Governing Board - Edinburgh School**  
Tuesday, February 22, 2011, 19:00 hr. (Teachers' Lounge)

Minutes of the meeting

**Present:**

Leah Auclair	Suzanne Fortin	Jon Wiersma
Sandy Cudzinowski	Gail Goldman	Ester Bolofer-Guest
Jackie Farrell	Josh Miller	
Rhona Feigelson	Dale Stack	

**Regrets :**

Sergio Giacobbe	Johanne Poirier
Talia Edwy	Jacqui Roye
Vicky Leprohon	
Jennifer Banton	

1. **Call to Order:** Dale Stack called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., and welcomed the parent guest.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Two agenda items were added under new business: a report by the Information Technology committee and a request for approval of the Grade 4 overnight trip. Upon the motion by Sandy Cudzinowski and seconded by Rhona Feigelson, the agenda as amended was approved unanimously.
3. **Approval of minutes:** Three changes were made to the minutes of January 18, 2011. Josh Miller was added as a regret. The spelling of Jon Wiersma's name was corrected. The Edinburgh Choir will be performing at the Verdun auditorium and not at the Bell Center. On a motion by Sandy seconded by Rhona the minutes as amended were approved unanimously.
4. **Question period #1:** No questions.
5. **Business arising from minutes of January 18, 2011:**
  - a. *Budget building process for 2011-2012:* This document was submitted to the EMSB.
  - b. *ICT access and appropriate use:* comments prepared by Dale and Gail were circulated. They will be fed back to the EMSB.
  - c. *Proposed three-year plan: Allocation and destination of immovables (2011-2014):* This document was submitted to the EMSB.

## 6. **New Business**

- a. *Language survey summary and results* :Leah reported that the EMSB had previously indicated that they were moving towards retaining two types of programs French immersion and English core. Parents have indicated that they support status quo at their schools.
- b. *Management and educational success agreement*: Tabled
- c. *Color code/ uniform distributor*: Leah reported that all purchases over \$ 1500.00 made by the school must be tendered. This would include school uniform suppliers, agendas, photos etc .Leah suggested formation of a joint Board /Home and School sub-committee to review these tenders as needed. This will be discussed further at subsequent meetings.
- d. *Tell Them From Me( TTFM)*: Leah informed the Board that TTFM is a mandatory EMSB program that will be aimed at the Grade 4 students. It will involve the students completing an on-line survey on issues pertaining to nutrition, family life , etc. This data will then be fed back to the school.
- e. *Plaque for time capsule*- Rusty will research getting a commemorative plaque for the time capsule buried last year.
- f. *Committee Reports*: No reports were submitted.
- g. *Technology Committee*: Suzanne Fortin presented on behalf of the Technology committee, a group of Edinburgh teachers. The committee would like to see more smart boards in the classrooms .It would also like Edinburgh to take on a more computer focused/tech vocation. Dale stated that the committee would need to generate a clear, practical, step-wise plan for implementation of this focus. Any plan presented to the Board would need to be first approved by the teaching staff. Parents could eventually be solicited to donate funds for smart boards etc, this will need to be discussed at future meetings.
- h. *Grade 4 trip to P'tit Bonheur*: Suzanne asked for approval for a Grade 4 trip to Auberge P'tit Bonheur on June15-17, 2011 on behalf of Mme JoJo. On a motion proposed by Suzanne Fortin and seconded by Jacky Farrell the field trip was approved with one abstention. The notice to parents about this trip was already sent out. The importance of getting Board approval for overnight trips **prior to** sending out information to parents was underscored.

## 7. **Principal's Report**: Leah Auclair reported the following:

- a. Fifty students have registered for Kindergarten.
- b. Successful teacher appreciation week.
- c. A number of school events and plans: Junior concert, chess, Dictee PGL, outdoor day.

## 8. **Home and School Report**: Tabled

9. **Correspondence:** Dale received two pieces of correspondence. The first was from the Central Parents Committee and criticized the EMSB commissioners for making negative comments about the Board's bilingual program. The second was a letter kicking off the EMSB's annual registration campaign.
10. **Varia:** Nil
11. **Question Period #2** No questions
12. **Adjournment:** On a motion by Sandy and seconded by Josh the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

*Respectfully submitted by:*

Gail Goldman  
Acting Recording Secretary

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_ Principal: \_\_\_\_\_