

ST. ANTHONY
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 18, 2024

Parent Reps:

Nick Alcaraz	Parent Rep
Natiyala Applewaithe	Parent Rep
Jessica Arbour	Parent Rep
Sara Deschamps	Parent Rep
Effy Koukoulas	Parent Rep
Shane Ross	Parent Rep
Veronica Somos	Parent Rep

Staff Reps:

Simrin Aulakh	Teacher Rep
Sue Belair	Teacher Rep
Anna DiVincenzo	School Secretary
Renouka Dutta	Teacher Rep
Amélie O'Sullivan	Teacher Rep
Gina Piccinini	SEED Technician

Jane Preston	Principal
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1 Welcome & Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm

2 Land Acknowledgement

- The Land acknowledgement was recited by N. Alcaraz

3 Adoption of Agenda

- The agenda was approved, including 1 abstention, via a motion moved by S. Deschamps & seconded by G. Piccinini

4 Adoption of Minutes from April 30, 2024 & the Minutes from May 28, 2024

[Minutes](#) from April 30 2024 & [Minutes](#) from May 28, 2024

- The adoption of the minutes from the April 30, 2024 governing board meeting were approved unanimously, via a motion moved by S. Belair & seconded by E. Koukoulas
- The adoption of the minutes from the May 28, 2024 governing board meeting were approved, including 3 abstentions, via a motion moved by S. Deschamps & seconded by G. Piccinini

Update From the May 28, 2024 Governing Board Minutes

- Please refer to the information below regarding the Organization Plan for 2024-2025 as well as for the SEED Budget information

Organization Plan 2024-2025

- K4(21), K5(27), Grades 1(27), 2(37), 5(43) & 6(42) all have 2 classes allocated to them
- Grades 3(37) & 4(36) have 1 x Grade 3(26) class, 1 x Grade 4(24) & a 1 x Grade 3/4 (23) split
- The split is due to numbers in the Grade 3 & 4 grade levels; this would have us with 1 over max class in Grade 4
- The Staff Council was consulted on the Organization Plan for 2024-2025 before a final decision was made
- A discussion was held with regards to the split class model
- Questions, concerns & a discussion ensued around the educational impact on the students in a split situation
- The implicated staff are experienced & professional teachers who have the ability to carry out this assignment

SEED Budget

- The 2023-2024 SEED budget was presented by G. Piccinini
- G. Piccinini explained the allocation of funds
- During the discussion, questions were asked about the surplus that we have & why, as well as the timing of delivering a budget at the end of the financial exercise for which it was built, rather than at the beginning
- G. Piccinini explained that the budget was only delivered to her moments before the governing board meeting
- A plan for next year PED day activity fees at a reduced cost. was also discussed

5 Reports

5.1 Home & School

- No formal report was given
- \$6500 is left in the budget
- Planning for a welcome back bbq in September
- Home & School played a key financial role for St Anthony; much appreciated!

5.2 Grad Committee

- A meeting took place on the Tuesday before the grad
- Students had an amazing time at the grad

5.3 Commissioner

- E. Bender was absent from the meeting therefore no commissioner report was submitted

5.4 Regional Parents

- Please refer to the link below for the PC Meeting Summary Report
[PC Meeting Summary Report](#)
- A presentation was given at the Regional Parent Committee meeting by a blind student who had previously attended Beurling
- Very inspiring story, inclusivity was the #1 priority for this student, which is exactly what LBPSB enforces
- Inclusivity certainly plays a huge part at St Anthony, both teachers & staff are amazing, bravo!

5.5 Administrator

- Please refer to the link below for the Principal's report
[Administration](#)
- Big thank you to S. Ross for putting in so many hours here at St Anthony; wishing you all the very best for your new governing board adventures

5.6 IB Report

- Last unit & presentations are both complete
- Next year we will be preparing for the IB visit. that will be taking place in 2026

5.7 SEED Report

- Currently, registration is at 85%, 145 students will be returning next year
- Last ped day was a hit, 66 students attended

6 New Business

6.1 ABAV 2023-2024 Evaluation [ABAV 2023-2024 Evaluation](#)

- At the end of the school year we evaluate our 3 priorities
- Data was a bit sparse due to the fact that LBPSB was unable to distribute the Student Survey this year
- A school committee put this document together, it then went to Staff Council & was approved
- Peer mentoring is going extremely well
- Many different clubs are also taking place at each grade level, as well as a variety of ECA's which are also being offered to students
- Big Brother's as wells as Big Sister's are also frequently visiting the school

6.2 ABAV Plan 2024-2025 [ABAV Plan 2024-2025](#)

- Plan hasn't changed
- The ABAV 2023-2024 Evaluation as well as the ABAV Plan 2024-2025 were both approved unanimously, via a motion moved by S. Ross & seconded by G. Piccininii

6.3 Fundraiser

Grad & Home & School

- Lunches 2024-2025
 - Dagwoods - \$10 for 6" + snack + drink
 - Pizza - 1 slice \$7 & 2 slices \$11 + snack + drink
- Felix & Norton - January 2025 - 1 bag \$12 & 2 for \$20
- Halloween Dance October 25th, 2024 - 6:30 - 9:00 pm (entry fee \$5)
- Baskets - a variety of baskets for a raffle on Parents evening November 28, 2024

- Elves for Senior - families can get tags for gifts for seniors
- The Grad as well as the Home & School Fundraisers were all approved unanimously, via a motion moved by R. Dutta & seconded by S. Belair

6.4 ECA

- No ECA's were mentioned

6.5 School Fees

- Please refer to the link below for the 2024-2025 school fees
[St Anthony Elementary School Fees 2024-2025](#)
- We are trying our very best to keep school fees down as much as possible
- The 2024-2025 school fees were approved unanimously, via a motion moved by N. Alcaraz & seconded by S. Ross

6.6 PED Day Approvals

- Please refer to the link below for the 2024-2025 Ped Days
[Ped Days for 2024-2025](#)
- The Ped Days for 2024-2025 was approved unanimously, via a motion moved by S. Belair & seconded by E. Koukoulas

6.7 PE Tournaments 2024-2025

- Please refer to the link below for the 2024-2025 PE Tournaments
[LBPSB Elementary Tournament Schedule 2024-2025](#)
- Parents will be charged \$20
- More car pooling will be planned for this year
- School bus prices have also increased
- The 2024-2025 Elementary Tournament Schedule was approved unanimously, via a motion moved by G. Piccinini & seconded by R. Dutta

7 Business Arising

- No business arising was mentioned

8. Varia

- No varia was mentioned

9 Public Question Period

- No public attended the meeting therefore no questions were asked

10 Correspondence

- No correspondence was received

11 Adjournment/Next Meeting Date

- A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm was approved unanimously; the date of the next governing board meeting is September 24, 2024 at 7:00 PM (in person)

Respectfully submitted, by Sue Day

Approved _____

J. Preston, Principal

Approved _____

N. Alcaraz, Governing Board Chair