



Lakeside Academy Governing Board Annual Report 2020 - 2021

Chairperson's Message

I would like to thank the members of the 2020-2021 Governing Board for their participation, support, and energy during this school year, as we continued with our online meeting format for all our GB meetings. I truly appreciate the willingness and ability of this GB to quickly adapt to our new reality. I do hope that some in-person meetings can resume next year, as the online only format did not lend itself well to encouraging good discussion on some occasions.

Voting members

Parent Members:

	Term
Karen Bleakley (Chair)	2019-2021
Jennifer Millen (Secretary)	2019-2021
Ron Hebel	2019-2021
Helene Charbonneau (Parent Committee & Home & School rep)	2020-2022
Cathenna Michaud	2020-2022
William Rooney	2020-2022

Teacher/Staff Members:

Amanda Zito
Kristeen Carson
David Preston
Karen Brown (Tim Parsons replacing from March on)
Kyle Rougeau
Renaud Labesse (Patricia Staniforth replacing from February on)

Student Members:

Alexa Cesari
Lucia Rado-Delta

Non-voting members

Administration: Margaret Wilkinson; Daniela Scoppa (CLC)
Community Reps: Dawn Jeffreys (Club Zone Lachine); (Champs Basketball)

Margaret Wilkinson, Principal, attended all meetings of Governing Board. Josh Arless, School Commissioner, was invited to attend meetings and did so when possible. At the Annual General Assembly held on September 17, 2020, Helene Charbonneau was elected the Representative to the Parent Committee and Jennifer Millen the Alternate Representative. The assembly did not vote to form a PPO this year. No substitutes were elected.

Regular meetings were held on:

October 15, 2019
November 12, 2019
February 17, 2021
March 17, 2021
April 21, 2021



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June 16, 2021

Minutes of the meetings are posted on the school web site.

Issues discussed and studied by the Governing Board

Adoption of Internal Rules of Management (IRM)
Approval of 2020-2021 School Budget
Adoption of the GB Operating budget and 2020-2021 GB Income Statement
Adoption of the 2020-2021 GB Annual Report
Adoption of Course Selection for 2021-2022
Approval of 2021-2022 school fees
Approval of 2021-2022 codes of Conduct and Peaceful Living
Approval of the Lakeside Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence Plan

Approval of Fundraisers and Field trips

Due to the ongoing pandemic, there were no fieldtrips to approve in the 2020-2021 school year. Some Home & School fundraisers were approved, as outlined in meeting minutes. Governing Board did approve in-school activities and presentations as outlined in the meeting minutes throughout the year.

Consultation responses

Responses are recorded in the minutes of the monthly meetings and may be obtained upon request at the school's office:

- Three Year Plan 2020-2023 Consultation
- Budget Consultation 2021-2022
- Principal Criteria Consultation
- By-law & date/time/place of regular meetings of the Council and the Executive Committee

Governing Board 2020-2021 Financial Report

REVENUES		
Annual allotment from the School Board	\$481	
Other amounts received		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$481	
EXPENSES		
Meeting expenses		\$481
Parent training		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$481
BALANCE		\$0



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Recommendations for 2021-2022 Governing Board

- 1) To continue to streamline the approval of regular activities such as athletic events and certain local field trips, we recommend that the Governing Board approve these events once a year, for the following year.
- 2) We recommend electing GB Parent Rep substitutes at the AGA. This was not critical when meetings were virtual, as we maintained quorum for all meetings this year. However, should GB meetings return to in-person in the next school year, it will be important to have substitutes available to maintain quorum.
- 3) After an initial good start of student participation, their attendance dropped off again this year. We recommend re-engaging the student members early next year.
- 4) After several good years of community rep attendance, this also dropped off this year. We recommend ensuring continued participation from whichever community reps participate next year.
- 5) Given that we do not know how the next school year will unfold, from a public health perspective, we recommend we continue to avail ourselves of technology platforms to continue the business of the GB when necessary. A blend of in-person and online meetings would be ideal.

This was respectfully presented to, and unanimously adopted by, the Lakeside Academy Governing Board on June 16th, 2021.

Karen Bleakley
Karen Bleakley, Chair