

St. Thomas High School Governing Board

Thursday January 23, 2025, via Zoom

1. Call to Order, land acknowledgement

In order to show our deep respect for the land on which our school stands, we would like to acknowledge that Lester B Pearson School Board and St Thomas High School are located on the unceded territory of the Kanienkeha People. The Lester B. Pearson School Board and St Thomas community honors, recognizes and respects the Kanienkeha People as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today and recognizes that this land has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst nations. We also acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past and commit to informing ourselves about this truth to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of collaboration and reconciliation.

Attendance: Amber, Anthony, Camilla, Galia, Joanna Schreyer, Kalysta Karpontinis, Kenny Mandel, Lars Nyberg, M.A. Davoli, Mark Hancock, Meghan Traynor, Melanie Nadeau, Pamela Lee, Robert Gilmartin, Samantha Bellini, Sylvie Pelletier, Tony Scalia and Helen Michalarias, Vicky Lazaris.

2. Announcement of the Alternates for the meeting (if applicable)

Tony replaces Loretta.

3. Introduction of public (if applicable)

4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Tony, seconded by Lars) (All in favor)

5. Approval of previous meeting minutes

a. Meeting of November 21, 2024

Motion by Robert, seconded by Megan) (All in favor)

6. New Business

a. "Our School" survey results

Motion by Pamela, seconded by Mark) (All in favor)

b. Vocational and Adult Education Centre visits

Motion by Joanna, seconded by Lars) (All in favor)

c. Course Time Allocation & Options Courses 2025-2026

Motion by Anthony, seconded by MA) (All in favor)

d. Field trips and Schedule Changes

Motion by Robert, seconded by MA) (All in favor)

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7. Reports

a. Commissioners Report

No report given

b. Student Life

c. Faculty School Improvement and IB

1) *Decision letters were sent out a week ago, 267 acceptances out of 435. A welcome meeting with parents will be taking place shortly.*

2) *Personal project reading committee will be convening next week and evaluations will be given to students at the end of the month.*

3) *IB projects are currently ongoing in grades 8-11*

d. Administration and School

Principals report attached.

e. Parent Representative (LBPSB PC)

Parent Rep report attached.

f. SNAC (attached)

g. Home and School

Home and School report attached.

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7. Other Business/Varia

A) 2 consultations on budget and Principal selection to be tabled for next meeting.

B) Subcommittee on transportation letter to the transportation advisory committee on Feb. 3, 2025.

8. Public question period

9. Adjournment

8:32 PM