



## *Annual Report 2019-2020*

### *Governing Board*

### *Joliette Elementary School*

I would like to thank all our members for their support and their work throughout the year, our parent members: Francis de Courcy, Sarah Fortin Josiane Hebert-Desmarais, Lisa Lepore, Jessica Papageorgopoulos & Melanie Thoun; our teacher members: , Sophie Geoffroy, Shama Hartt, Kimberly Landry-Niles, and Margrete White; our Day-Care member: Nathalie Deshaies and our support staff representative: Johanne Bogle. I would also like to thank our principal Daniel Tremblay.

Joliette Elementary School is a public English school with 294 students within the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board. Our governing board held its general assembly of parents on September 11, 2019 and has conducted 8 monthly meetings over the course of the 2019-2020 school year. Our school has experienced its eighth consecutive year of increased student enrollment.

The governing board fulfilled its functions as prescribed in the Quebec Education Act. We voting to increase the number of minutes devoted to English Language Arts in cycles two and three and decrease the numbers of minutes devoted to Health Education in the 2020-2021 Subject-Time Allocation; We approving the school's annual operating budget for the 2020--2021 school year which includes consumable, supervision and school activity fees. Our school strives to maintain fees at the lowest level possible and to create reasonable supply lists which place the least financial burden on our community. Given our commitment to student safety and well-belling, we approved an increase in student supervision from seven to eight supervisors.

We have worked on the SWLSB Budget Building Process Consultation, Joliette Elementary Anti-Bullying, Anti-Violence Plan, Criteria for the Selection of Principal, and Deeds of Establishment, Sexuality Education Plan, Academic & Career Guidance Content Plan, and The Sir Wilfrid Laurier SB Enrollment Criteria.

The governing board also approved the reception of \$198,022.00 in MEES measure grants for a variety of student learning support and activities. In addition, our Governing Board approved our participation in the Breakfast Club of Canada that contributed over \$86,000 in breakfast snacks for the 2019-2020 school year.

Our Governing Board, in concert with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, has petitioned the MEES to provide a new school building which would ease overcrowding and better accommodate the expanding (11% over school capacity) student population of Joliette Elementary School.



Governing board also approved a range of fundraising and student activities which enhanced our children's school life. This included sales of cookie dough, pizza and frozen yogurt which allowed us to approve/subsidize in-school activities like, Holiday Breakfast and activities, Halloween, etc. Our Governing Board also approved purchases to support Loose Parts Play in our school yard,

Our community continues to evolve as we are part of a regional community learning center (CLC) in partnership with Rawdon Elementary School and Joliette High School and coordinated by Ruby Emond. Through the CLC, we were able to receive some funding from President's Choice Foundation to fund our breakfast snack program. Our partnership with ECOL through our CLC has also resulted in a Pre-Kindergarten playgroup once per week and a gardening activity. The CLC also supports our Eco-Club. Culture in Schools and transition to high school activities are also organized through the CLC.

It must be noted that many approved school activities were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The governing board will strive to approve activities/initiatives to spent parent designated funds collected this year in 2020-2021.

Respectfully yours,

Lisa Lepore  
Chairperson – Joliette Elementary School Governing Board  
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