

# BEACONSFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

250 Beaurepaire Drive, Beaconsfield, QC H9W 5G7

## Governing Board Annual Report 2020-2021

### Message from the Chair:

The 2020-2021 school year is my 2nd year at BHS as well as my 2nd year being GB chair at BHS. Of all the years that I have served on Governing Boards and parent Committees, 2020-2021 will definitely be one to remember. Right from the start of the school year with online elections and a GB that never once met in person, this has certainly been a year to remember. Our students were absolutely amazing this year, adapting to the changes that the government kept sending their way, from being in school full time in grades 7-9 and grades 10 and 11 being on a rotating basis. Parents and students having to deal with the cafeteria being closed and bringing in lunches, extreme lockdown measures and complete online schooling for a few weeks in January. As I write this at the end of June, there is a bright light at the end of the tunnel, as we start to ease lockdown restrictions, get outside to enjoy the weather and most importantly for our grads, that they can have some sort of a prom! This has been one of the most challenging years' ever for our kids, and they rose to the occasion and surpassed any expectations we could have of them.

Thank you all for your hard work and dedication throughout the year.

### Governing Board members:

| <u>Parent Representatives</u> | <u>Elected term</u> | <u>Position</u>        |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Jeremy Asch                   | 2019-2021*          | Chair                  |
| Ovidu Burlec                  | 2019-2021*          | PC Parent Rep          |
| Sheila Dunwoodie              | 2019-2021*          |                        |
| Steve Bucci                   | 2020-2021*          | (mid-year replacement) |
| Adrian Leggett                | 2019-2021*          | PC Alternate Rep       |
| Kenny Bodanis                 | 2020-2022           | Recording Secretary    |
| Lori Barrett                  | 2020-2022           |                        |
| Aimee Elizabeth Parsons       | 2020-2022           |                        |

\*Members whose seats are up for election at the 2021-2022 Parent AGA.

### Staff

Andrea Brown  
Nancy Dubuc  
Melanie David  
Victoria Bresolin

Stephanie Martin  
Rosemary Hill  
Donna Thornton  
Deeni Simon

### Student Representatives

Melanie Pomerleau  
Lauren Salo

### Others

Rachel Wilson  
Heather Anne Denton  
Andrew Hannah  
Michael Besner  
Gary Saunders  
Wayne Clifford

Principal  
Vice-Principal (Cycle 2)  
Vice-Principal (Cycle 1)  
Commissioner  
Community Rep  
Community Rep

### **Dates of Meetings:**

Meetings were held on a monthly basis at 7pm via Zoom on the following dates:

**2020:** October 6, November 10, December 8

**2021:** January 12, February 15, March 16, April 13, May 20, June 21

Minutes of meetings of the governing board are available from the principal or on the school website after they have been approved by the Governing Board.

Over the course of the school year various different items were discussed and voted on by the governing board. Following is a summary of those items.

### **Issues addressed by the governing board:**

The following items/issues were discussed by Governing Board in the current year:

Internal Rules of Management

Covid-19

GB Training

Land Acknowledgement

Environmental Awareness

Alumni Association

### **Items Approved by the Governing Board**

The following items/issues were approved by Governing Board in the current year:

Field Trips

Fundraisers & Activities

Rental and Service Contracts (None this year)

BHS Operating budget

GB Budget

BHS Annual Report

Educational project & School Success plan

2021-2022 School Calendar

2021-2022 Consumable fees

Cell Phone Policy

### **School Board Consultations**

The following board consultations were discussed, and a response provided to the school board where appropriate:

Principal Criteria Consultation

Budget Consultation

GB Composition Consultation

3 year plan of allocation and destination of Immovables

## **Recommendations and plan of action for the current year**

- With respect to the implementation of Major School Change resulting in the relocation of St. Thomas High School from the Ambassador location to Broadview Ave commencing in September 2021, we should be looking for a board consultation looking at the redistribution of bussing zones to be more reflective of the reality of the changed situation and the location of many of our students who presently may not be eligible for bussing, as they were previously zoned for the St. Thomas.
- Governing Board training would be useful and should be provided to all GB members to better understand their roles and responsibilities on GB

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeremy Asch  
Governing Board Chair, 2020-2021.