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JOHN CABOTO ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD OCTOBER 26, 2021

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:

GOVERNING BOARD CHAIR: Vanessa Chimienti

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES: Vanessa Chimienti, Tilda Carbone, Daria Fratino, Mariasabrina Mangione, Antonella Peppe

STAFF REPRESENTATIVES: Jessica Attardo, Mireille Mansour, Anna Mignacca, Luisa Paradiso, Victoria Xanthos

PRINCIPAL: Mr. David Servello

REGRETS: Rosy Federico

1. WELCOME

Mr. Servello welcomed all Governing Board members.

2. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS

Mr. Servello presented all Governing Board members.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was reviewed and adopted by the Governing Board members.

Motioned by Ms. Mangione, seconded by Ms. Chimienti, unanimously approved.

4. WORKING TOGETHER

Mr. Servello expressed the importance of working as a team, the partnership and respect between parent, teacher, and their community is essential to the benefit of the student. Mr. Servello stressed the importance of Governing Board members and the roles they play. The guiding principle is to advocate for all students, all the while encouraging school pride.

5. REVIEW OF FUNCTIONS AND POWER

5.1 GOVERNING BOARD ELECTIONS

Election of Governing Board members resulted as such:

Chairperson: **Ms. Vanessa Chimienti**

Motioned by Ms. Mangione, seconded by Ms. Carbone, unanimously approved.

Regional Delegate: **Ms. Daria Fratino**

Voted on Curriculum Night

Alternate Delegate: **Ms. Tilda Carbone**

Voted on Curriculum Night

Secretary: **Ms. Anna Mignacca**

Motioned by Ms. Xanthos, seconded by Ms. Chimienti, unanimously approved.

Treasurer: **Ms. Mariasabrina Mangione**

Motioned by Ms. Chimienti, seconded by Ms. Paradiso, unanimously approved.

6. APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

All Governing Board members unanimously agreed that Rosy Federico be the community representative for JCA this school year.

7. OPERATION

7.1 REVIEW of FUNCTION and POWER

Ms. Chimienti presented the guidelines regarding the function and power of the Governing Board members.

7.2 Review of Rules of Operation

Rules of operation were reviewed by Governing Board members.

7.3 Approval/Modification of Internal Rules of Management (Appendix B)

Internal rules of management were reviewed by the Governing Board members.

7.4 Approval/Modification of Guidelines for Conduct of Members

Guidelines for Conduct of Members were reviewed by the Governing Board members.

8. REPORTS

8.1 Principal Report

Curriculum night was held virtually on September 9th. Progress Report cards will be available through Mosaik on November 15th followed by Parent/Teacher interviews that will take place virtually on November 18th. Grade 5 and 6 students have been working on a dramatic arts project that takes place once a week with Youth Fusion. Students have been working on a bilingual play to be performed later on in the school year. JCA virtual Open House was held on October 22nd, it was a great opportunity to showcase our school.

With this year's Covid 19 restrictions being eased, we were able to have our first fire drill on October 7th, students did very well; a lockdown practice will be held later on in the school year as well. CO2 detectors will be installed in all our classrooms by the end of November, as a result of concerns that were raised during the pandemic about indoor air quality in our schools. MDT (Multiple Disciplinary Team) meetings will be held in November, to discuss academics concerns for students at risk with our student services department. Italian PELO classes will be held virtually every Friday evening from 5:30pm-6:30pm. Permission slips for the rapid testing have gone out, however there has been a delay in receiving the kits. The school board released information by email on a Tik Tok Challenge to inform parents and make them aware of the risk of certain media consumption. JCA Virtual Parent workshop will be held on November 4, 2021 with a variety of presentations available to our school community; the event has been opened up to Dunrae Gardens as well. GMAA activities will not be taking place at this time, as two vaccines are required in order for students to travel from school to school.

8.2 Teachers Report

Preschool K4 and K5 Teachers attended a Blue Bot workshop on October 14, 2021 where they received training to be used in the classroom with their students. We acquired a school set of Blue Bots to be used in preschool. Benchmark Reading, teachers will be assessing the reading level of students in Cycle 1-3 through reading activities. We have applied for several Culture in the schools grants (Arts and Science) (Granby zoo, Mural artist, Theatre Tortue Berlué and Geordie Production Paperback Princess) where the government subsidies 75% of

the cost of cultural activities. STEAM Curriculum Mapping, Cycle 2 teachers met with the STEAM teacher and board consultants to plan a large scale, cross curricular project where students will incorporate they are learning in social studies into a STEAM project. This years' Halloween activities will include Reptizoo, pumpkin decorating, popcorn and a movie. Reading week will be held the week of December 13th and plans are in motion by a committee of teachers.

8.3 Daycare Report

There are 136 students registered in daycare. Given that the Quebec government has eased Covid 19 restrictions, we are now able to offer afterschool activities to our students.

October 18, 2021 to December 6, 2021

Grade 4-5-6 Monday: Everblast

Grade 2-3 Wednesday: Funky Feet dance

For the upcoming Ped. Days in November are activities will include: Sheltoons, Mad Science, and Dynamix.

Fieldtrips will be revisited

8.4 Regional Delegate's Report: None

8.5 Community Rep Report: None

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 CONFIRMATION of Email APPROVAL

9.1.1 Motion to Approve Minutes of June 16, 2021 meeting

9.1.2 Motion to approve Terry Fox Run

9.2 Motion to Approve Remembrance Day Collection

In honour of our veterans a motion was passed for the distribution of poppies, this year a donation will be made directly to the Royal Canadian Legion.

Motioned by Ms. Peppe, seconded by Ms. Mansour, unanimously approved.

9.3 Motion to Approve collection of donation for Foundation of Stars

A motion was passed that the funds raised from November's and December's casual days, be donated to the Foundation of Stars. This year, any donations including casual days can be done on-line on behalf of our school.

Motioned by Ms. Peppe, seconded by Ms. Fratino, unanimously approved.

9.4 Motion to Approve Community Collection Drive

A motion was passed that to have a collection of non-perishable items which will be donated to Spirit of Giving or any other organization suggested by our Community Spiritual Animator.

Motioned by Ms. Peppe, seconded by Ms. Attardo, unanimously approved.

9.5 John Caboto Academy Daycare Handbook 2021-2022

The John Caboto Academy Daycare Handbook was reviewed by all Governing Board members. A motion was passed to adopt the handbook as presented.

The handbook can be found on our school website.

Motioned by Ms. Mangione, seconded by Ms. Mansour , unanimously approved.

9.6 Budget Update

The budget was reviewed by all Governing Board members.

9.7 PPO

9.7.1 Nomination of Fundraising Chair

Ms. Sabrina Mangione will be the Fundraising Chair for the 2020-20201 school year.

9.7.2 Motion to Approve Fundraising Allocation of Funds

A motion was passed to allocate \$100 per month from Fundraising to Ms. Mangione for miscellaneous expenses.

Motioned by Ms. Peppe, seconded by Ms. Fratino, unanimously approved.

9.7.3 Funding for Grad Sweatshirts

A motion was past to allot 660\$ for the purchase of sweatshirts for the grade six students.

Motioned by Ms. Fratino, seconded by Ms. Mansour, unanimously approved.

9.7.4 Bad Monkey Popcorn Fundraiser

A motion was passed that the sale of popcorn be one of our school fundraisers for this school year.

Motioned by Ms. Fratino, seconded by Ms. Peppe, unanimously approved.

9.7.5 Dominos Pizza Fundraiser

A motion was passed that JCA have a Domino pizza fundraiser for this school year.

Motioned by Ms. Peppe, seconded by Ms. Mansour, unanimously approved.

9. Varia- None

10. Question Period-None

11. Next Meeting: November 30, 2021

12. Adjournment- Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm

Motioned by Ms. Mangione, seconded by Ms. Attardo, unanimously approved.

David Servello, Principal

Vanessa Chimienti, Chairperson