



École Gerald McShane School

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Governing Board Meeting Monday, February 8, 2021, 7:00 Minutes – Meeting #5, 7:00pm (Teams)

Present: Francesca Pitruzzello, Remo Milone, Enrico Minicucci, Anna Maria Mormina, Nathalie Carrier, Mario Tromba, Clementina Fraga, Jessica Colavincenzo, Sandra Renzi, Steven Rebelo, Melanie Mercadante, Karine Gomes Silva, Kathy Vella, Andrew Sivilla, Pammy Lacroce, Christina Gioia, Brigida Zappia

Absent: Mauro Di Ciocco

1. Welcome: @ 7:02

2. Addition to the agenda – Exploratory Committee

- Andrew Sivilla approves/ Sandra Renzi seconds

3. Approval of agenda

- Enrico Minicucci approves/ Nathalie Carrier seconds

4. Approval of minutes from December 10, 2020

- Everyone in agreement.

- Melanie Mercadante approves/ Steven Rebelo seconds



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5. Question Period

- None

6. Business arising from previous minutes

- None

7. New Business

7.1 Heart to Heart Fundraiser {Non Uniform Day},
\$577.75 was raised

7.2 Budget Building Process

- Establish Budget Priorities (#3, #5, #7, #8, #1)

1. Increasing staff ratio (smaller classes)
2. Increasing allocation of funds to special need resources, additional speech therapist, and special behavior therapist.
3. Purchasing books, school supplies.
4. Increasing budget computer/ technology support
5. Increasing funds for professional development

Motion to Approve: Mario Tromba approved

- Approved – All member of governing board approved

7.3 Educational Project Annual Report

- No results due to cancellation of ministry exams and school board exams.

Motion to Approve: Melanie Mercadante, Nathalie Carrier second

- Approved – All member of governing board approved



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7.4 Collecte-Info Mesures Protegees

- School board receives money from the ministry. The school board distribute these funds to the schools. Gerald MacShane received 15701.00\$ from the school board.

Motion to Approve: Mario Tromba, Nathalie Carrier second

- Approved – All member of governing board approved

7.5 Carnival Activities

- Feb 26, 2021, special Carnival day, (Dress Down Day).

Grades PK to 2:

- Skating at Rolland Arena
- Sliding in the School Yard
- Classroom/Outdoor Activities

Grades 3 to 6: •

- Skating at Bleu Blanc Rouge Arena
- Snow Shoeing on School Grounds •
- Classroom/Outdoor Activities

Motion to Approve: Mario Tromba, Nathalie Carrier second

- Approved – All member of governing board approved

7.6 Teacher / Staff Appreciation Week

-Teacher appreciation, bagels, cookies, chocolate and coffee.
Cost 700.00\$ from PPO budget approved by Governing Board.

-We will have dress down day to increase funds to PPO.

- Approved – Remo Milone, Nathalie Carrier second



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7.7 Teacher / Exploratory Committee

- Committee to discuss additional programs to do the school; this will increase of marketability of the school. First meeting will in March, memo will be sent out to parents and teachers.

7.8 Selection Criteria of Principal

Motion to Approve: Andrew Sivilla, Anna Maria Mormina second

- Approved – All member of governing board approved

8. Reports

8.1 Commissioner no report given



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8.2 Principal

- Virtual open house went well, 30 families log in.
Enrollment numbers are not available.

- Hooked on Schools Week (Week of February 15, 2021)
1A, 1-2B, 2A enjoyed a Dance/Rhythm activity with Erin Trudel.
Coach Dru professional coach and wrestler will come to speak and motivate grade 3A & 3B & 4A.
S4/5, 5A, S6, 6A, Seeds had the opportunity to have a virtual conference with Laurent-Duvernay Tardif.
Movement Activity with former Impact player Rocco Placentino for all levels.
Unveiling of the Perseverance Tree.

- Feb 24, 2021 celebrate anti-bully day, conflict resolution, active listening.

- Emergency Daycare service is available during spring break.

8.3 Teacher Pammy Lacroce, Melanie Mercadante

- 100 days of school, treats will be given, party in the class.
- Zoo therapy, dog in the class.

8.4 Sports Concentration

- Mauro Di Ciocco is on a leave of absence.
- 15 students inquired about sport etudes for grade 3 & 4.

8.5 CLC Coordinator - Kathy Vella

- Raise the waves and conflict resolution & anxiety workshop, will all be done virtually.



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8.6 Daycare Technician Clementina Fraga

- Hop and Hop is confirmed, waiting for a letter from the school board.
- Tax receipts can be found on mozaik portail.

8.7 EPC Delegate

- Town hall (Feb 10, 2021).
- Governing board training. Feb 16/18
- Subcommittee, how to increase enrollment to the school.
- Virtual parent conference in April 10, 2021 details shortly

9. Varia

- Expanding Seeds, Student Services (school board) makes the decisions.
- Social media postings: Student life committee will discuss how to expand social media postings.

10.Date of next Governing Board meeting

- Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 19:00

11.Meeting adjourned at 20:10

- Approved – Clementina Fraga, Mario Tromba second

Principal
Steven Rebelo

Chairperson
Francesca Pitruzzello