



## **Académie John Caboto Academy**

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### **JOHN CABOTO ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD OCTOBER 10, 2023**

#### **GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:**

GOVERNING BOARD CHAIR: Vanessa Chimienti

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES: Vanessa Chimienti, Vanessa Brisson, Tilda Carbone, Mariasabrina Mangione, Amanda Palmieri

STAFF REPRESENTATIVES: Jessica Attardo, Anna Mignacca, Sandra Petrillo, Alexander Rosauri, Victoria Xanthos

PRINCIPAL: Ms. Sonia Marotta

COMMUNITY REP: Rosemarie Federico

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#### **1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted unanimously.

Motioned by Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Ms. Brisson.

#### **2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the Governing Board meeting of September 12, 2023 was adopted unanimously.

Motioned by Ms. Mignacca, seconded by Ms. Carbone.

#### **3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

3.1 Appendix B: Two parents alternates, and one community Rep. Changes have been made.

#### **4. REPORTS:**

##### **4.1 Chairperson's Report**

None.

##### **4.2 Principal's Report**

###### Vote Montreal:

We have been nominated by Mr. Cohen for "Best School of Montreal." We can vote daily for JCA on the following website: <https://www.votemtl.com/>

###### Little Fin Academy:

On Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup> Ms. Jessica and Mr. Joseph were featured by Ms. Pamela Pagano for their first book: "Little Fin Academy Learns How to Ride a Bike."

###### Meeting with Mr. Simon Chang:

Mr. Simon Chang will be partnering with several teachers at JCA and will work on various projects.

###### Halloween:

Global News will be visiting JCA on Halloween and we will be featured on television.

###### Science and STIAM Fair:

Mr. Alex will be organizing a Science and STIAM fair, and he will be collaborating with Mr. Yannick Bergeron. The fair will take place on April 4<sup>th</sup>, from Grades 4 to 6. There will be two sessions: a morning session will take place where students can visit, evening session parents may visit from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### Homework Program:

The Homework Program began today (*October 10*). This includes Grade 3 to 6. Thank you to Ms. Anna for organizing the Homework Program.

#### Progress Reports:

Progress Reports will be available via Mozaik on Thursday, October 13.

#### PPO and Donation:

Thank you to PPO and to the families who have contributed and continue to support our school.

### **4.3 Teacher's Report**

#### Terry Fox Run:

On September 21<sup>st</sup>, our students participated in the Terry Fox Run. In all we have raised \$1, 370 which was donated to the Terry Fox Event.

#### Indigenous Hoop Dancer:

On September 26<sup>th</sup>, our Spiritual Animator, Ms. Veronica D'Agata, for the first time ever, organized a Hoop Dancing Activity where students participated for Truth and Reconciliation Day.

#### Social Media:

Ms. Jessica and our Grade 6 students will be taking care of our Social Media. The students will be taking and editing pictures and writing captions all under the supervision of Ms. Jessica.

#### JFK School Visit:

Today (*October 10*), our Grade 6 students visited JFK. They were a JFK student for the day and it went very well.

#### Sleepover:

We will be organizing a Sleepover at JCA for the Grade 6 Graduating class. More information to follow.

### **4.4 Daycare's Report**

The Beautification Project, organized by Ms. Shannon and Mr. Ryan, are currently helping with cleaning the schoolyard. W.O.T.P removed the composted bin, and fenced out the garden. Students will now plant, and clean the area. The compost will be used to plant our tulips in front of our school. W.OT.P. will also come to remove the wooden structure in our schoolyard, since it is beginning to wear out and for safety measures.

### **4.5 Parent's Committee Delegate Report**

The first meeting will take place on Thursday, October 13.

### **4.6 Community Representative's Report**

#### Bike Paths:

The new bike paths have caused an inconvenience for residences and staff members. Writing letters to the mayor are encouraged on the following website:

<https://mairese.montreal.ca/envoyer-un-message-la-mairesse>

### **4.7 Treasurer's Report**

None.

### **4.8 PPO & Fundraising Report**

Corn Roast: \$183 was spent towards the event

Casual Day \$720 was raised

TCBY: \$2,000 was raised

Canadian Supplies: \$2,200 was raised

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**5.1 PPO**

**5.1.1 Abbaye de Saint-Benoît-du-lac Fundraiser**

A motioned was passed that Abbaye de Saint-Benoît-du-lac will be our fundraiser for the 2023-2024 school year.

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

**5.1.2 Community Event in December 2023- Point of Info**

Our annual Community Event will be held on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, and it will be renamed to the “Holiday Fair.” There will be multiple vendors at the fair where families can come and visit. The hours are 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There will be a special guest joining us, refreshments and snacks will be sold.

**5.2 Presentation by Dimitri Ilias**

Mr. Ilias presented a project: A Broadway Musical, Beauty and The Beast. This program will be held at JCA during lunchtime and there will be a fee to participate. This project will be offered to students from Grades 3 to 6.

Motioned by Ms. Brisson, seconded by Ms. Palmieri, unanimously approved.

**5.3 Halloween Treat**

Thank you to the Federico Family for donating Pumpkins for the Halloween event. PPO allotted \$700 for Halloween decorations and chips.

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

**6. VARIA:** None

**7. QUESTION PERIOD:** None

**8. NEXT MEETING DATE:**

November 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m., and to be held in person.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Motioned by Ms. Mignacca, seconded by Ms. Brisson, unanimously approved.

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Sonia Marotta, Principal

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Vanessa Chimienti, Chairperson