



# Leonardo da Vinci Academy

## Governing Board Meeting

Monday, June 6, 2022

### **Members present:**

Nadia Sammarco, Angie Tarantini, Francesca Muro (remote), France Paquin, Angela Bucci, Renata Nespeca, Rita De Angelis, Gianni Fusco, Maria Pensato, Dominic Gaetano, Franco Marateo, Stellana Romeo, Anthony Scalia, Laetitia Kachmar, Antonella D'Angelo. Emilia Martinez, Sabrina Gavita and Peter Mercuri.

### **Members not in attendance:**

Marco Di Manno, Tina Spiridigliozzi, Anna-Maria Parente and Francesca Muro

### **Welcome and opening remarks**

- Welcome by Dominic Gaetano and Nadia Sammarco (6:46 pm).

#### **1) Additions to the agenda**

No additions

#### **2) Adoption of the agenda**

Motioned by Renata Nespeca and Stellana Romeo. All in favor - Motion accepted.

#### **3) Approval of minutes of the May 10, 2022 meeting**

- Spelling corrections

Approval for the Minutes; *Motioned by Angie Tarantini and Sabrina Gavita.* All in favor - Motion accepted.

#### **4) Business issues:**

- a) Resolution to offer 3 government-funded pre-k classes for 2022-23 school year

- a. No Change to what we currently have this year.

Resolution adopted by Angie Tarantini *and* Sabrina Gavita. All in favor - Motion accepted.

Approval of year-end financial statement

- b. Received \$250, roll-over of \$18. All funds were used for the Grade 6 graduation plaques.

Adopted by Gianni Fusco and Antonella D'Angelo. All in favor - Motion accepted.

- b) Approval of lunch fees for the 2022-23 school year

- a. No increase- 2.25\$ per day

- b. Pays for the supervision of students

Adopted by Antonella D'Angelo and Rita De Angelis. All in favor - Motion accepted.



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- c) Approval of charges to parents for the 2022-23 school year
- a. There were increases in some workbooks and consumables fees. A new workbook created by the occupational therapists will replace the current PRE-K handwriting book. Other changes are the Escale Workbook will be replaced.  
Adopted by Sabrina Gavita and France Paquin. All in favor - Motion accepted.
- d) Approval of preliminary 2022-23 budget
- a. Approval of budget is based on this year's current enrollment, next year there is an increase of 30 students.
  - b. This preliminary budget does not include government grants

The motion was adopted by Angie Tarantini and Sabrina Gavita. All in favor – Motion was adopted.

- e) Approval of chocolate drive for the new school year (fall of 2022)
- a. Approval was required now so it can be launched at the beginning of the year  
Adopted by Emilia Martinez and Rita De Angelis. All in favor - Motion accepted.

### **6) Reports:**

#### **a) Principal's Report**

- Neuro Week – to discuss and learn about the brain. Hands-on age-appropriate workshops will happen all week long in anticipation for the Neuro Color Run on June 10, 2022. Color run is very successful, there are over 330 people attending. At the beginning, only a portion of the ticket cost was to be donated but certain sponsors were so moved that they will be covering the full cost of the school's expenses to organize this event so that all proceeds will be donated directly to the Neuro.
- Participaction Community Challenge
  - 100,000 first prize, 15K second prize across Canada
  - Will be logging all the minutes of activities in school are logged
  - Can log all the minutes – 130,00 minutes as of Sunday
  - All week during gym, will be showing "orienteering" with Stellana Romeo and M. Daniel Gaudette
- June 7, 2022, there was an error on the calendar; favorite-shirt day is not June 8.
- June 16, 2022 will be fun day
- Retirement celebration at the end of year assembly on June 20 and each class is presenting something to our retirees. Will enjoy and celebrate with a toast and nut-free cupcake.
- June 17, 2022 the walk through the halls for Grade 6 students. They will perform a dance to the Grease Medley for the parents to watch live.
- Pre-K, K and grade 6 graduations are being planned
- Report cards will be available on Mozaik on June 24, 2022



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### **b) Vice Principal's Report**

- It has been wonderful year and looking forward to all the celebrations coming up.
- Have a great summer!

### **c) Commissioner's Report**

- Thank you to all the teachers and staff for an exceptional school year. Excellent job this year!
- Regular counsel meeting was held on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 honoring Emma Stivaletta.
- The work and accomplishments at this school is a testament of all the hard work of the parent volunteers, staff teachers and Governing Board.
- There was a consultation about Links High School to expand to the second floor.
- Request was made for a name change for High School of Montreal.
- Parents can and are suggested to make a request allowable amount for the School tax collection of Montreal to be allocated to the EMSB
- There was a special meeting on May 26 to discuss Bill 96
- Thanked everyone and wished the Governing Board member a safe and restful summer.

### **d) Teacher's report**

- Entrepreneurship project choice to donate to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada.
  - Sold 76 water bottles and raised \$1140
  - Sold 8 Utensils – \$53
  - Sold 28 disinfectant spray \$280, the students will be making the sprays this week
- Thank you to Governing Board and Home & School

### **e) Regional Delegate Report**

- June 2, 2022 was the last meeting
- Note regarding 3-year plan, in regards to the movables the committee had concerns that the projections were not accurate and challenged how the enrollment is calculated. If numbers are too low it can affect funding to certain schools. Nadia Sammarco stated that registration period is very important as this is what determines the funding for teacher allocation and support staff. The final enrolment report on September 30, 2022 is what determines the final count and allocation for the year. This is a requirement from the Ministry.





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### **f) Daycare Report**

- Presented by Renata Nespeca
- Boks event was on May 31, 2022 and was a great success. Kim St-Pierre, gold medallist hockey goalie from Team Canada, gave an inspirational speech to the daycare students and staff. The Journal Metro did an article. This event was featured on the EMSB website and on our social media pages. All daycare staff work very hard. She received a card, a t-shirt signed by all daycare students, BASE LDVA hoodie with her number and flowers.
- Thank you to everyone on Governing Board and Home & School

### **g) Home and School Report**

- Mother's Day fundraiser completed and raised \$1000
- Mr. Freeze fundraisers on their way until mid June
- There was an Epicure (spices) fundraiser for Father's in June which raised \$325
- Planning the graduation and end of year celebrations (Pre-K, K, and Grade 6)
- Planning fun day – many volunteers.
- Thank you to GB for voting Home & School in.
- Thank you to all the volunteers who are leaving this year

### **7) Question Period**

- No

### **8) Adjournment**

Domenic thanked everyone for first year as president and congratulated Laetitia Kachmar on her first year at Leonardo da Vinci Academy! Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Motioned by Emilia Martinez, Seconded by Sabrina Gavita. All in favor – Motion Accepted

**Chairperson's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Principal's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Dominic Gaetano** **Nadia Sammarco**