



Leonardo da Vinci Academy

Governing Board Meeting

Monday, June 10, 2024

Members in attendance

Nadia Sammarco, Laetitia Kachmar, Francesca Muro, Rosamaria Carlomusto, Maria Pensato, Sabrina Gavita, Vanessa Giancioppi, Anna-Maria Parente, Filomena Barbieri, Karen Polletta, Fatima Marandola, Jennifer Brisebois, Renata Nespeca, Angie Tarantini, Antonella D'Angelo, Stellana Romeo, Felicia Biondi, Pietro Mercuri,

Members not in attendance Tina Spiridigliozi, Rosemary Greco (alternate),

1) Welcome and opening remarks- Ms. Stellana welcomed everyone to the final meeting of the year at 6:40pm. Thanked everyone for being a part of the Governing Board

2) Additions to the agenda- letter H) approval of chocolate bar fundraiser 2024-2025 school year and Commissioner report moved to first item due to Mr Mercuri having to another meeting.

3) Adoption of the agenda –

Motion to adopt the agenda by V. Giancioppi, seconded by K. Polletta. All in favor.

Motion approved.

4) Approval of minutes of the April 8 meeting-

Motion to approve the minutes by F. Barbieri and seconded by S. Gavita. All in favor.

Motion approved.

Commissioner's Report (moved up as he must attend another meeting)

- Congratulated everyone for doing an incredible job.

- Last meeting May 24th- mentioned student of the month, Elsa is a student from Face. She is a violinist.

- School tax revenues – at the school board level resolved to request school tax revenue.

- School board won in court against the government concerning Bill 96. A stay in the decision not to have English School Boards referred to as service centers.

- Government cannot appeal the decision allowing English Organizations to communicate in English and not in French.

- Wished everyone a wonderful summer.

5) Business issues:

a) Approval of the Annual Report

- Ms. Sammarco requested all to review the report, especially to verify attendance. Corrections in names and attendance were revised accordingly.

- Ms. Stellana, read Chairperson's message to all.

Motion to approve annual report by V. Giancioppi and seconded by A. Tarantini. All in favor.

Motion approved.

b) Approval of the charges to parents for the 2024-25 school year

- Changes made- Unvers Social will be an online program, therefore a workbook is no longer needed.
- Ethics course is being replaced by the CCQ course. No program or workbook approved yet by the government, therefore for this coming year there will be photocopies made of the various activities.
- Change in grade 5, no longer using Texto, it will be Ludic.

Motion- to approve charges to parents by A. Tarantini and seconded by F. Marandola. All in favor.

Motion approved.

d) Approval of preliminary budget for the 2024-25 school year

- Not all funds are known yet – budgets from the ministry not yet allocated.
- operating budget for next school year reviewed
- Explanation of all budgets, funds and expenditures.

Motion to approve preliminary budget for the 2024-25 school year by A. Tarantini and seconded by S. Gavita
All in favor.

Motion approved.

e) Approval of financial report

- Antonella, treasurer – explained the report- 250 \$ allocation with a 19\$ roll over from last year.
- 269\$ will be used to pay for the Grade 6 awards, as this is a tradition at our school.
- No roll over
- Motion to approve financial report by R. Carlomusto and seconded by V. Giancioppi. All in favor.

Motion approved

f) Approval of offering PELO for the 2024-25 school year

- Approval to continue offering the Italian Pelo Program at lunch time to students in grades 1 to 6. Motioned by M. Pensato and seconded by F. Marandola. All in favor.

Motion approved

g) Approval of offering current extracurricular activities for the 2024-25 school year

- To continue offering Di Bella karate kickboxing, soccer with Rocco Placentino (meeting will be had with the organization to fine-tune the program), and Enfants & Compagnie. Any new activities will be brought to Governing board for approval.

Motion to approve current extracurricular activities for the 2024-25 school year by A. D'Angelo and seconded by R. Nespeca. All in favor.

Motion approved.

h) Approval to close the daycare at 5:15 p.m. on Friday, June 21, 2024.

- Request to close early to allow all daycare staff to be on time to attend the grade 6 graduation ceremony as their presence is mandatory.

Motion- to closed daycare at 5:15 p.m. on Friday, June 21 by F.Biondi and seconded by J Brisebois. All in favor.

Motion approved.

i) Chocolate Bar Fundraiser for 2024-2025 school year.

- Biggest yearly fundraiser for the school- with options for parents to chose with and without nuts- over 50% back to the school.

Motion to approve Chocolate Bar fundraiser by K. Polletta and seconded by F. Barbieri. All in favor.

Motion approved.

6) Reports:

a) Principal's Report

- Hot meal offered to all students on June 10th, paid by the school from the president choice grant- Mac and Cheese (Pasta tomato sauce for lactose intolerant) with a snack

- Friday Fun Day, inflatables, students in Phys Ed uniform, students will get D'Agostino pizza and TCBY courtesy from home and school

- June 17th- book give away – students from every level will be selected during a draw to win a book

- June 18th grade 6 final walk through – and a final performance of Hall of Fame starting at 3:15 p.m.

- June 19th – 10 am -Celebration of Learning for pre k- 2 tickets per family – theme is Disney

- June 20th – 10 am -Moving on Ceremony for kindergarten – 2 tickets per family - theme is Candyland

- June 21st – last day of school and grade 6 Graduation at Plaza Universel at 6:30 p.m.

- Report cards will be available on Mozaik Parent Portal on June 22, 2024

- School will officially be closed on June 28th and the office will reopen on August 13, 2024

Principal wished all a wonderful summer. Thanked everyone and mentioned those who are graduating and retiring – Franco and Angie.

b) Vice Principal's Report

- Laetitia mentioned how happy she was to be back to end the year with us.
- Discussed the Grade 6 Ottawa trip
- Looking forward to the next events to end off the year
- Thanked all and wished everyone a great summer.

d) Teacher's report

- Rosemarie thanked all parents for their collaboration and support.
- Sabrina explained that Entrepreneurship items will be sent out on June 11th.

e) Regional Delegate Report

- May 2nd – two presentations –

1) Chabad – affiliated with the Jewish General- counselling for all forms of substance abuse (gaming, shopping etc) all free

2) Consultation for the closer of St Raffael- and will reopen as a new school sharing the Nesbitt School building – renovations being done – there will be two schools housed in the Nesbitt building.

- A town hall will be planned to help support the parents of the students who are being transferred from St. Raphael.

- A recommendation to ask the PC delegates to hand in a written report and that marketing should be on the Governing Board agenda and it should be discussed at the GB meetings.

May 31st- no meeting because no quorum. Consultation for Dalkeith: the city is building a new park and to keep in mind the students with special needs.

- According to the three year plan that was presented at their meeting, - LDVA and Michelangelo's numbers will increase. Easthill will have about 150 less students than they currently have.
- PC award- request made to have one of the delegates present it. Ms. Sammarco explained that it will be presented at the graduation and that a representative from the School Board or staff member will be presenting it..

f) Daycare Report

- Thanked everyone for their support. Mentioned Ms. Angie is retiring and how she will be missed.

g) Home and School Report

- getting ready for Fun Day

- getting ready for all the celebrations

- Thank you to everyone

- 10 000\$ was given to the school from Home and School this year with all the activities that were planned.

8) Question Period- No questions

9) Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. by AM. Parente and seconded by K. Polletta. All in favor.

Motion approved

Signature of Chairperson: _____



Signature of Principal: _____

