



Governing Board Minutes – Tuesday, December 18, 2018

PRESENT:

Joseph Vitantonio
Clorinda Antonacci
Benny Berneti
Joe Biunno
Catherine Clarabut
Marco Fiore
Luigi R. Garofalo
Sandra Greco
Liliana Zarlenga
Pierre Labrecque

Paul Karpontinis
Lyne Lacourse
Franco Mazzariello
Marisa Papillo
Nadia Posteraro (alternate)
Patricia Gaudio (alternate)
Tiana Pomponi
Rosanna Verrillo
Assunta Caruso
Lisa Triestino

1. **Welcome**

Mr. Benny Berneti thanked Mr. Luigi Garofalo for taking the last Governing Board minutes. He also welcomed Ms. Angela Antonacci as the Acting Vice Principal replacing Ms. Patrizia Tummillio.

2. **Adoption of the Agenda**

Ms. Marisa Papillo moved to adopt the agenda. Mr. Luigi R. Garofalo seconded the motion. All were in favor.

3. **Adoption of the Governing Board Minutes of November 20, 2018**

Mr. Luigi Garofalo moved to adopt the minutes of November 20, 2018. Ms. Clorinda Antonacci seconded the motion. Ms. Liliana Zarlenga, Ms. Rosanna Verrillo, Ms. Sandra Greco abstained and everyone else was in favor.

4. **New Business**

4.1 Uniform Update

The requirement for students to wear the school uniform was implemented at the beginning of December and it has been going very well. Approximately 100 students were given special passes since they were still missing a part of the uniform. A sub-committee will be meeting in January/February 2019 and sending a letter to the school board indicating the problems encountered and attempt setting up a meeting with other schools to discuss the issues experienced with the same company.

4.2 Sexual Education Program presentation & approval

Commencing in January/February 2019 teachers will apply the sexual education program as part of their classes which would be approximately 10/hrs per grade. Ms. Lisa Triestino has been working with a school board consultant and teachers will get the necessary training. The program will discuss topics such as having healthy relations. Teachers will be comfortable in presenting this program. Parents can opt out of a specific topic if they feel it goes against their human rights or if a student was a victim of sexual violence. There is a process to follow if a parent/student wants to opt out. As a school, we should be open and be able to talk about the program. Ms. Clorinda Antonacci moved to adopt the program. Mr. Pierre Labrecque seconded the motion. All were in favor.

4.3 Educational Project Plan

The educational project plan will replace the MESA. The school board has specified certain targets they would like to achieve. It's part of the school board's success plan. The process involves discussing the challenges the school faces and obtaining feedback from the community at our next governing board meeting scheduled for January 22, 2019. The educational project plan will need to be approved by April 15, 2019.

4.4 French EST course next year

Environmental Science in French – After careful analysis, Mr. Vitantonio mentioned that this course will not be possible due to lack of resources such as: teacher allocation. This course will result in extra group(s) with very little beneficial impact. The students are already practicing French example: regular French. Therefore, the cost of implementing the course outweighs the benefits.

5. Reports

5.1 Principal

- i) Red Cross Babysitting Course
 - a. Taking place February 8 at school from 8:15 – 4:15 (8-hour course).
 - b. Cost is 60\$ payable in cash to the Red Cross directly.
 - c. Topics to be covered: the business of babysitting, how to handle themselves in an interview, know if the job is right for them, how to care for infants up to school aged children (and/or brothers and sisters).
 - d. The course will be given by Ms. Chiara Calabrese, ***Certified Facilitator Canadian Red Cross.***
 - e. Ms. Liliana Zarlenga moved the motion to adopt the course and Ms. Sandra Greco seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

- ii) Parent Teacher Interview Early Dismissal
 - a. We would like to dismiss students 15 minutes early on Thursday March 2nd.in order to allow time for preparation before the evening begins.
 - b. Students will be dismissed at about 2:30 p.m.
 - c. Ms. Marisa Papillo moved the motion to adopt the early dismissal and Ms. Rosanna Verrillo seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

- iii) MADD Presentation
 - a. Mothers Against Drunk Driving will be presenting to our secondary 5 students on March 15th, 2019.

- b. Sensitize students on the dangers of drinking and driving.
- c. Ms. Angela Antonacci moved the motion for the early dismissal and Ms. Marisa Papillo seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

5.2 Teachers

There was nothing to report.

5.3 Sports Études Program

There was nothing to report.

5.4 Guidance Initiatives

Ms. Natasha Krsteski was not present, so there was no report.

6. Varia

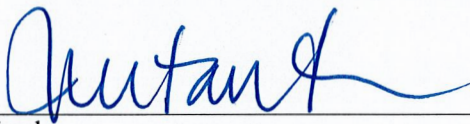
There was nothing to report.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on January 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

8. Adjournment

Ms. Clorinda Antonacci moved that the meeting be adjourned. Marisa Papillo seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.



Principal



Chairperson