



**Governing Board ‘Special Meeting’ Minutes – January 29, 2024.
8:00 p.m. on Teams**

PRESENT:

Administration: Joseph Vitantonio, Cristina Di Sorbo, Angela Antonacci (Interim VP)

Parents: Sandra Greco (Chairperson), Tina Rubino, Daniela Marino, Patricia Suriano, Jocelyne Cacciatore, Jack Algieri, Annelisa Rende, Sabrina Ficca

Parent Alternates: Giovanni Ficara

Teachers: Paul Karpontinis, Gabriel Latino, Catherine Clarabut, Antoinette Licursi, Sara Di Maulo

Non-Teaching Staff: Charles Préfontaine, Casey Gagné,

Students: Liana Gioia, Liana Wallace

ABSENT: Assunta Caruso, Grace Fanelli, Dario Falso

1. Welcome & Land Acknowledgment

- Sabrina Ficca welcomes everyone at the start of the meeting at 8:08 pm;
- Liana Gioia and Liana Wallace read the Land Acknowledgment.

2. Adoption of Agenda

a) Adoption of the Agenda

- Motion was moved to adopt tonight’s agenda by Daniela Marino; seconded by Annelisa Rende. All in favor.

b) Adoption of the Governing Board minutes from December 18, 2023.

- Motion was moved to adopt the minutes by Jocelyne Cacciatore; seconded by Tina Rubino. All in favor.

3. Reports

As this was a special Governing Board meeting beginning at 8:00 p.m., it was decided to table the reports to the next month.

4. New Business

4.1 Budget Presentation

- The budgets were presented by Mr. Vitantonio before the holidays, but this document includes the totals for all school budgets, as well as the plan to spend. It also shows the breakdown for school fees collected.
- Mr. Vitantonio reviewed the pages with the GB one at a time.
- Motion to adopt the budget plan is required. Resolution was provided by the Financial Department.

Motion was moved to adopt the 2023-2024 Budget document by Jocelyne Cacciatore; seconded by Jack Algieri. All in favor.

4.2 Cell Phone Policy

- The finalized draft cell phone policy was presented and approved by Staff Council.
- It was shared with GB in preparation for tonight's meeting.
- If there is not a huge discussion, Mr. Vitantonio requested GB's approval for the policy. Some questions were presented and addressed at the meeting.
- To start the transition to this new plan, we would inform the community a couple of times before Spring Break, and VPs would visit the classes to introduce the plan. Teachers would be asked to review it in detail on a given day in preparation for it to be in effect.
- The new policy would be put into practice after spring break.

Motion was moved to adopt the Cell Phone Policy by Annelisa Rende; seconded by Sara Di Maulo. 1 vote against. All remaining members in favor.

4.3 Winterfest- Carnival Activities

- Carnival day is scheduled for February 27- skiing, tubing, laser tag, ice-skating. The activities are free for students, but we're asking for a deposit to reserve their seats on the bus. The money will be returned to the students the day of the activities.
- Maple Taffy Treat on February 23, 2024 by grade level during period-2-3 lunch.
- Permission to modify the regular school day to accommodate the activity days is requested.
- Other Winterfest activities will take place during lunch through the month of February.

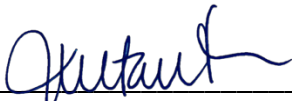
Motion was moved to adopt the Winterfest- Carnival activities by Gabriel Latin0; seconded by Annelisa Rende. All in favor.

5. Next Meeting:

- February 19, 2024: Virtual at 8:54 pm
- Secretary for the meeting: Annelisa Rende

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 P.M.



Principal



Chairperson