

# Our Lady of Pompei School

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## **Meeting Minutes Governing Board Meeting #2**

Thursday, November 17, 2022 at 6:30 pm

#### Members in attendance:

Governing Board Members	GB Meeting #2 Thursday, Nov 17
Bergantino, Elvira	Present
Cassoli, Anahi	Present
Corso, Elvira	Present
Di Meo, Michelle	Present
Di Stefano, Andrea	Present
Di Zazzo, Erica	Present
Ludovico, Tanya	Present
Misaiphon, Olivia Mayouli	Present
Nicita, Agatina	Present
Paradiso, Julio	Present
Rosciano, Joe	Present
Stroz Breton, Olivia	Absent
Valente-Paterno, Amanda	Present

Administration: Lisa Ancona

Guests: none

Members of the Public: none

## 1. Welcome

- The meeting was called to order by Mr. Paradiso at 6:40 pm.
- · The secretary, Mr. Di Stefano, is taking the minutes.

## 2. Introduction of New Member

Ms. Ludovico was briefly introduced by Mr. Paradiso.

## 3. Additions to the Agenda

Ms. Ancona requested that a discussion about the Cycle 3 field trip be added to the Varia



## 4. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Di Meo and seconded by Ms. Corso to approve the agenda. Motion was unanimously approved.

## 5. Adoption of the Minutes from Meeting #1 - September 22, 2022

Ms. Corso, Ms. Nicita, and Ms. Ancona presented corrections to the minutes. Following the revisions, Ms. Corso moved for the adoption of the minutes, seconded by Ms. Nicita. Motion was unanimously approved.

## 6. Business Arising from Minutes

- Ms. Ancona reported that per approval in June 2022 by GB for 2022-2023: The "dress-down day" collection money was to be donated to the East Foundation, which has changed its name to the Centre for Dreams and Hopes Foundation.
- The guidelines for virtual delivery of GB meetings will be discussed in "New Business".
- The Cirque field trip moved from Nov. 11 to Nov. 14 for one of the groups.
- The 50% French post that was supposed to be filled has not because the teacher declined.

#### 7. Question Period

None.

#### 8. New Business

#### 8.1 OLP GB Code of Conduct for Virtual Meetings

Mr. Paradiso presented the question regarding a code of conduct for virtual meetings, and outlined some ground rules such as having the camera ON as much as possible and using the "raised hand" function to ask a question. Ms. Di Zazzo proposed muting when not speaking. Mr. Paradiso proposed an amendment to the current code of conduct to include virtual guidelines for voting using an emoji. Ms. Di Zazzo volunteered to write the amendment. Mr. Paradiso motioned to table the discussion until next meeting, seconded by Ms. Nicita. All in favour.

#### 8.2 Daycare Handbook

Ms. Nicita outlined the following changes to the daycare handbook:

- Section 7a: modes of payment was revised;
- Rates have changed per the Ministry: new fee is \$8.95 and includes lunch fee. Daycare services on pedagogical days have gone up from \$9 to \$12.
- Minimum of 5 days' notice is required for any changes to a student's daycare status

Motion to accept changes to daycare handbook put forth by Ms. Corso, seconded by Mr. Rosciano. All in favor.



## 8.3 Educational Project Annual Report

Ms. Ancona outlined the Annual Report based on last year's data and the end of session exams from 2019. Math results are low; Ms. Ancona noted this may be due to the pandemic. However, the difference between 2019 and 2022 is minimal.

Parent questions/concerns:

- -Asked what plans are in place to improve math results; Ms. Ancona outlined the academic support, tutoring, and extracurriculars currently in place.
- -Inquired about the academic rigour in-classroom, and Ms. Ancona outlined the ways teachers are supporting students.
- -Asked about the math competencies that are evaluated, answered by Ms. Ancona
- -The language in which math is taught in each cycle and how OLP results compare with other EMSB schools; Ms. Ancona replied that another report/survey would include this information.
- -Amount of homework assigned to students was also discussed.

Ms. Corso motioned to accept the Educational Project Annual Report, seconded by Ms. Nicita. Ms. Cassoli abstained, 11 votes in favour.

## 8.4 School Calendar and OLP Activity Calendar

Ms. Ancona announced the return of the Spring Concert, organized by Mr. Negri in collaboration with Ms. Misaiphon. Date was set to April 27, 2023, but was changed to April 20, 2023 because of the availability of the venue. The snow day should also be moved from April 28 or April 21, 2023. Also FYI, the tech fair was scheduled to take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> PT night. However, since EMSB mandated the 2<sup>nd</sup> PT night be virtual, the tech fair will be moved to the daytime during school hours. The motion to approve the date changes were put forth by Ms. Corso and seconded by Ms. Cassoli. All in favour.

#### 8.5 Cycle 2 Field Trip

Ms. Ancona announced a cycle 2 field trip activity to the Zoo Ecomuseum in Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue on June 7, 10:30-2pm. Ms. Nicita motioned to approve the field trip, seconded by Ms. Di Zazzo. All in favour.

#### 8.6 Budget Review

Mr. Paradiso shared the budget review document and Ms. Ancona outlined the budget for the current year. Ms. Cassoli asked a question about suppliers and Ms. Ancona explained the process. A discussion ensued about donations to the school. Ms. Corso motioned to accept the budget, seconded by Ms. Cassoli. All in favour.

#### 9. Reports

## 9.1 Principal

Ms. Ancona thanked PPO and volunteers, and staff part of Student Life for the Halloween activities. The Grade 4 French teacher post is still vacant. Until it's filled, the French resource teacher will use resource time to teach that French class, and the other teachers will also share teaching resources with the current substitute teacher, who is not a qualified French teacher. Phys Ed & Arts post is still vacant, but a substitute has been filling the role temporarily. The Hockey program is cancelled due



to low registrations; the organizers may join Open House to promote the hockey program in the hopes of attracting more interest. Lock Down drill happened recently, and the Police Officers present were very impressed and praised the students' and teachers' performance in the drill. Reminder of some important dates:

- PT Interviews on Nov 24;
- Ped day on Nov 24;
- Book fair on Nov 24;
- Grad fundraising bake sale on Nov 24.

The school has booked Sun Youth basketball and football.

#### 9.2 Teacher

Ms. Di Meo reported on behalf of the teachers in GB. Homework program started this week; teachers recommended certain students for the program. Term 1 has just ended, so evaluation work has been underway, as well as preparation for term 2. Cycle 1 & 2 students enjoyed their field trips. Pre-K and K have been enjoying play-based learning. Remembrance Day ceremony occurred in the gym, and a soldier visited the school to mark the event. A holocaust workshop was given for students. More school-wide holiday activities are being planned in the upcoming months.

## 9.3 Daycare

Ms. Nicita reiterated some things from the daycare report. BASE offere MadScience to the daycare as an after school activity for the Fall session. Waiting to hear back from about some possible activities offered to students.

#### 9.4 RPC

Mr. Rosciano reported on the Oct 20 RPC meeting and elections, as well as a Nov 1 meet & greet with Joe Ortona, chair of EMSB, where court cases about Bill 21, Bill 40, and Bill 96 were discussed. Nov 3 was the second meeting, held virtually. Commitment to Success plan for 2022 onward was presented and shared. Parent Commissioner report was also presented was shared. Mr. Rosciano agreed to share the presentation and documents with the GB via email.

#### 9.5 PPO

Ms. Misaiphon announced that Halloween activities were a success. Details were also shared about the PPO fundraiser. Preparations have begun for the Christmas Holidays in collaboration with Student Life, including the holiday fair. Ms. Misaiphon also shared the need for more parent volunteer involvement in organizing these events.

#### 10. Varia

## 10.1 Cycle 3 Field Trips

Ms. Ancona announced a cycle 3 school trip at no charge to students: the École du Cirque de Verdun, on Dec 14. Ms. Corso motioned to accept this field trip, seconded by Ms. Di Zazzo. All in favour.



## 11. Next Meeting/Adjournment

Next meeting will be held virtually on Dec 8 at 6:30pm. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm. Motion to adjourn the meeting put forth by Ms. Corso, seconded by Ms. Di Zazzo.

Signatures:

Lisa Ancona

Principal

Governing Board Chair

11/17/22

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