

ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD

Wednesday September 27, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Melanie Hebert (parent), Julie McGoldrick (parent), Whitney Lee (parent), Ryan Martin (parent), Andrea Truffa (teacher), Tara McGuire (teacher), Nadine Thomas (daycare), Carol Clifton (support staff), Natalie Sztych (support staff), Emilie Jacques (Community Representative-St. Columba House), Ahlia Mathura (Community Representative-Action Gardien), Jim Daskalakis (principal)

Absent/Regrets: Rebecca Macdonald (parent)

Guest: Amanda Macdonald (Home and School), Parent

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda (with correction to date; should read Wednesday not Monday)
Carol Clifton approves the agenda, seconded by Andrea Truffa.
Unanimous
 - 1.1 Election of Governing Board President
Andrea Truffa nominates Melanie Hebert. Melanie accepts the nomination.
Nomination acclaimed. Congratulations to **Melanie Hebert** the new Chairperson.
 - 1.2 Election of Governing Board Treasurer
Carol Clifton nominates Ryan Martin for Treasurer. Ryan accepts the nomination.
Nomination acclaimed. Congratulations to **Ryan Martin** the new Treasurer.
 - 1.3 Election of Secretary
Andrea Truffa nominates Natalie Sztych for Secretary. Natalie accepts the nomination.
Nomination acclaimed. Congratulations to **Natalie Sztych** the Secretary.
2. Approval of the minutes from the June 7, 2023 meeting and business arising;
Andrea Truffa approves the minutes and business arising of the June 7, 2023 meeting, seconded by Ryan Martin.
Unanimous
3. A word from the Chair
 - 3.1 Other Information:
 - 3.1.1 Rules of Operation (see annex)
Read over. Information
 - 3.1.2 Internal Rules of Management (see annex)
Read over. Pay attention to section 6 and 11. Tabled to next meeting.
 - 3.1.3 Guidelines for Conduct of Members (see annex)

Read over. Information.

3.2 Correspondence: NIL

4. Period reserved for non-members of the board: NIL

5. Reports

5.1 Consultations and Decisions: NIL

5.2 Information

5.2.1 Report from Principal

- Stable at approximately 215 students
- September 7, 2023- Corn Roast to welcome students back went well.
- September 14, 2023 -BBQ to welcome parents on Curriculum Night went well.
- Extra-Curricular Activities will begin soon; Sistema - October 3, Irish Dancing-October 5, Choir (lunchtime), Piano. Share the Warmth-Boite a lunch for Grades 4 and 5, and French Tutoring.
- Snacks will begin on September 25. 2023.
- Math Success Plan for all grades was already begun.
- Bathrooms on second and third floors are complete.
- Geordie Productions - every year our school gets the first dress rehearsal for their play productions.
- First Parent/Teacher Communication will be October 12, 2023.
Important that the school has a working parent email for communication through Mosaik app. No printed copies are sent home. Only IEP's are printed and sent home with students.

5.2.2 Report from Teachers

- Three NUTRI TOWERS are in the school
- Terry Fox and Orange Shirt Day will be held on September 29. 2023.
- Reading Week will take place October 10-12, 2023.
- English Language Arts - DIBLES Program evaluation will take place on October 18, 2023.
- Honey Jar/ Bee Keeping Workshop

5.2.3 Report from Parent Committee Delegate

- Whitney Lee is the Parent Committee Delegate for 2023-2024.
- Ryan Martin is the Alternate.

5.2.4 Report from Daycare

- 128 students have registered.
- Activities will begin on October 16, 2023
(e.g. STEM, Sports Ball, Mad Science and Champions for Life).

5.2.5 Report from Community Representatives:

St. Columba House

- After-School Program is going well
- Sexual Health will begin soon in partnership with Saint Columba House.

Action Gardien

- Calendar of upcoming events were presented
- Trying to get more information out to the English Community

5.2.6 Report from PPO

- Supports the school a Governing Board Committee.
- Will call a meeting to bring in members and discuss fundraising events.

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5.2.7 Report from Home and School

- Will begin the annual Chocolate Bar Drive next week.

6. Business Arising:

6.1 Field Trips

Mr. Daskalakis asked for “Blanket Approval” on field trips that cost less than 15.00\$.

Tara McGuire moves to approve, seconded by Natalie Sztych.

Unanimous

6.2 E-mail and Contact Information

A sheet was passed around so that everyone could enter their information for communication purposes.

7. Adjournment Date Place and Time of Meeting

Natalie Sztych moves to adjourn, seconded by Carol Clifton.

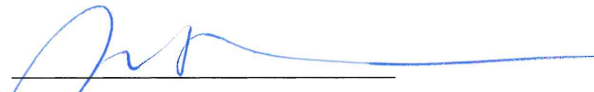
Unanimous

Next Meeting will be held on October 19, 2023, at St. Gabriel School for 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Dates for Governing Board Meetings

October 19, 2023	
November 30, 2023	
January 18, 2024	
February 22, 2024	
March 21, 2024	
April 25, 2024	
May 2024	*Tentative
June 6, 2024	


Principal


Chairperson-Governing Board

Oct 20 2023

Date

October 20, 2023
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Date