



Governing Board Meeting Minutes Meeting #2 – November 6, 2024 7:01 pm

Name of member	Role	P/A	Name of member	Role	P/A
Passucci, Stephanie	GB Chair/PC Del	P	Potesta, Ramona	Community rep	A
Sandra Tartamella	GB Treasurer	P	Tullio, Gerry	Community rep	P
Vanessa Cabral	PC Alt	P	Pagano Castle, Amya	Student	P
Celzi, Cristina	Principal	P	Lisi, Lucia	Student	P
Monti, Jessica	Vice-Principal	P	Emiliana Settino	Parent	P
Barnabé, Valérie	IB Coordinator	P	Irrerra, Angelo	Parent	A
Castonguay, Micheline	Teacher	P	Vasile, Mary	Parent	P
D'Alessandro, Andy	Teacher	A	Zaruso, Antonio	Parent	A
De Ciccio, Veronica	Teacher	P	Pietrangelo, Mario	Commissioner	A
Di Viccaro, Alex	Teacher	A			
Marcogliese, Lisa	Teacher	P			
Pinto, Marcel	Teacher	P			
Required for Quorum: 12 Present, 4 Parents			Members Present: 15		

1. Welcome-Land Acknowledgements

Motion to deliver the land acknowledgement acknowledge land at the next meeting set forth by Cristina Celzi.

Motion to approve by Marcel Pinto; seconded by Sandra Tartamella. Vote:15-0-0. Motion passed.

2. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Marcel Pinto, seconded by Valérie Barnabé and unanimously resolved that the agenda be approved with the discussed modifications. Vote:15-0-0

3. Introduction

- Round table introduction of the current members

4. Adoption of the revised Minutes for the GB meeting held on September 11, 2024

It was moved by Veronica De Ciccio, seconded by Sandra Tartamella and unanimously resolved that the minutes from the GB meeting held on September 11, 2024 be approved with the discussed modifications. Vote:15-0-0. *Motion passed.*

5. Business Arising from the minutes of the September 11, 2024, GB meeting

- None

6. New Business:

6.1. GB meeting dates

- Itemized in point 13
- No questions

6.2. Treasury budget

- The school receives a budget of \$250 budget from the school board. As in previous years the money will be donated Saint Brendan's church for collections at Christmas, the school community that may need some extra help and/or the neighbouring



community.

Motion to have the \$250 to be donated to Saint Brendan's, holiday fund; all in favor no abstentions

6.3. New pedagogical day

- There was an extra school day as an error. January 6th proposed ped day from staff council.
- It was moved by Mary Vasile, seconded by Lisa Marcogliese. Vote: 15-0-0. *all in favor, no abstentions motion passed.*

6.4. Quebec City Trip

- Marcel Pinto presented the trip on behalf of Mr Daddario.
- Trip is for Secondary 1 and 2 students
- Dates are from February 13-14, 2025.
- Cost of trip is \$393 per student (50 students 6 adults)
- Response from survey sent to parents revealed that there are 66 interested families.
- *Motion to approve; Vote: 15-0-0. all in favor, no abstentions motion passed*

6.5. New York City Trip

- Marcel Pinto presented the trip on behalf of Mr Daddario.
- Trip is for Secondary 5 students
- Dates are from April 14-17, 2025.
- Cost of trip is \$959 per student (50 students 5 teachers 1 tour guide)
- *Motion to approve: Vote: 15-0-0. all in favor, no abstentions motion passed.*

6.6. Fundraisers

- Last year discussions were brought up to have fundraisers within the school community. Fundraisers have to have a specific allocation for where the money will be spent within the school. Ms Cristina Celzi has mentioned that the students have requested more games in the game area. Also a new system for the auditorium and lighting is in great need.
- Family and community events would also be an interesting way to fundraise and allow for school spirit and bonding.

6.7. PPO

- The task of organizing events and fundraising is a lot to ask of teachers who already have a lot to manage, by forming a PPO (Parent participation organization) the parents can organize, plan and execute events and/or fundraisers.
- Administration will send out an email to the parent community to see if there is an interest from the parents to form a PPO
- Next meeting we will re assess





7. Teacher's report

- Lisa Marcogliese: is grateful for all the improvements made to the school aesthetic by Veronica De Ciccio and Jessica Monti. The school was always a pleasant place but now it is even more beautiful. Halloween was also a great day. All the students had a great time.

8. Student Report

September

19 & 20: annual IB days
26: LMAC homecoming, house day, colour run
25 to 27: Classe Rouge for sec 5s
30th: truth and reconciliation day
Lunchtime house games

October

9th: Terry Fox day, sec 1 and 2
24th: LMAC Open house
21st-24th: Grad hoodie sales
21st-25th + 28th: we scare hunger, 1 house point box item – -2 for any house cans
31st: Halloween, dance 3rd and 4th, prizes for best costume
28th: Randy Chevrier, former NFL and CFL player, and LMAC alumnus assembly. Spoke to sec 4 and 5s about road to success

9. IB Report

- **IB Day:** On September 19th and 20th, we had the IB day. They were all sent to a different time period of time and by solving challenges and tasks, they all got material to build an engine with wheels for the Juniors and a catapult for the Seniors. The engine had to be able to travel or make something fly a certain distance.
- **Classe Rouge:** September 25th to September 27th, 20 secondary 5 students attended Classe Rouge at Camp Jouvence. They participated in many activities such as hébertisme, bow and arrows competition, survie en forêt and canoeing on the Sutton Lake. They even enjoyed campfire with Marshmallow and ghost stories.
- **Terry Fox presentation:** On October 8th all the secondary 1 and 2 students attended a presentation about Terry Fox given by Mr. Monachino. We were lucky to also have parents in the attendance. Students learned about Terry Fox journey and cause. Then students walk around the school track as an homage to Terry Fox cause.
- **Projects in the classroom:** I had fun listening to oral presentation in secondary 1 French class about 'Des Personnages effrayants'. Today I went to the secondary 2 classes in Géographie et Histoire pour voir une première version des projets sur les valeurs humanistes.

10. CLC Report

- **Blanket Exercise** The Blanket Exercise presentation was given to our secondary 4 students at the start of the year. The Blanket Exercise is an interactive educational tool designed to teach the history of colonization in Canada and its impact on Indigenous peoples. It uses participatory methods to raise awareness and understanding of the historical and ongoing relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. The exercise is a powerful way to engage students emotionally and intellectually,





École Secondaire LAURIER MACDONALD High School

7355 Viau,
St. Leonard, Quebec, H1S 3C2
Tel.: (514) 374.6000 Fax: (514) 374-7220
www.lauriermacdonald.ca/lmac



helping them understand the profound effects of historical policies and practices on Indigenous communities in Canada.

- **Social Media Challenge** with DOD LMAC has partnered with DOD Basketball to run a social media club that allows students of all ages to research services and resources within the community. Students will then use tools such as Canva, professional cameras (provided by DOD) and more to create social media posts for LMAC's social media channels.
- **Herzl Clinic Presentation** The Herzl Family Clinic gave a presentation to our secondary 2 and 4 students yesterday. They covered a wide range of health topics with a particular focus on mental health and the risks of substance abuse. CJE Service Our local Carrefour Jeunesse Emploi service is back. Our senior students will have the opportunity to book a CV writing session with Monica, a CJE psycho-social worker, every Thursday starting tomorrow.
- **C.A.T Creative Art Therapy** starts again on November 18th until April. There will be a junior and senior group as in previous years (Creative art therapy involves using different forms of art, such as drawing, painting, music, dance, and drama, to help people communicate their feelings and thoughts. It's a way to express things that might be hard to put into words).
- **Girls Group (NAOS Jeunesse)** The girls' group run by NAOS Jeunesse starts again tomorrow. The Naos Jeunesse social worker will facilitate group discussions and workshops once a week with our junior and senior girls (separate groups). Discussion topics will include mental health, relationships, sexuality, self-awareness/expression and more. Workshops will be based on the needs and wants of the participants. Sessions will continue until February.

11. Question Period

- No questions asked.

12. Varia

- No topics proposed.

13. Date of Next Meetings:

December 9
January 14
February 19
March 26
April 30
June 10

14. Adjournment @ 7:50 pm

- 7:50 PM, motioned by Gerry Tullio

Secretary: Minutes for this meeting were taken by Vanessa Cabral

