



**Members in attendance**

Nadia Sammarco, Joseph Carlucci (interim VP), Francesca Muro, Rosamaria Carlomusto, Maria Pensato, Sabrina Gavita, Vanessa Giancioppi, Anna-Maria Parente, Tina Spiridigliozzi, Felicia Biondi, Filomena Barbieri, Karen Polletta, Fatima Marandola, Rosemary Greco (alternate), Franco Marateo, Renata Nespeca, Angie Tarantini, Antonella D'Angelo, Stellana Romeo

**Members not in attendance**

Marco Di Manno, Laetita Kachmar (on leave as interim principal at Edinburgh), Jennifer Brisebois, Pietro Mercuri

**1) Welcome and opening remarks**

Ms. Sammarco and Ms. Stellana welcomed the members.

Meeting began at 6:36 pm.

**2) Additions to the agenda**

No changes to the agenda.

**3) Adoption of the agenda**

Motion to adopt the agenda by Ms. Parente, seconded by Ms. Muro. All in favor.

Motion approved.

**4) Approval of minutes of the January 24, 2024 meeting**

Motion to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2024 meeting by F. Biondi, seconded by M. Pensato. All in favor.

Motion approved.

**5) Business issues:**

**a) Approval of Educational Project**

The Educational Project document was reviewed by Ms. Sammarco and a discussion was had amongst the members. It was suggested that an addition be made to add “mathematics” given that LDVA is an academy. The addition was made. “To enhance learning using mathematical skills, technology and music”.

Resolution to adopt the Leonardo DaVinci Academy Educational Project by K. Polletta, seconded by A. Tarantini. All in favor.

Motion approved.

**b) Approval of the Budget Building Process**

Ms. Sammarco shared that this process is important as it guides the school board as to the needs of the school. During the March break, the school board made improvements on the WIFI in the school which has been a long-standing item on previous reports our school has submitted.

Ms. Sammarco reviewed the document and explained the reasoning behind the items identified as needs for LDVA.

Motion to approve the Budget Building Process document by A. Tarantini, seconded by K. Polletta. All in favor.

Motion approved.

**c) Approval of Halo Run for grades 3 to 6: May 8, 2024**

Ms. Sammarco explained that it is tradition for LDVA to participate in the Halo Run. Students from grades 3-6 will be trying out for the run.

Motion to approve the Halo Run by T. Spiridigliozzi, seconded by F. Muro. All in favor.

Motion approved.

**d) Approval of Futsal Tournament for grades 5 and 6 on March 18, 2024**

Ms. Sammarco explained that this event was a great success in the previous year. This year the tournament is taking place at Laurier Macdonald High School. The school is covering all costs for this event.

Motion to approve the Futsal Tournament by A. Tarantini, seconded by D'Angelo. All in favor.

Motion approved.

e) **Update on LDVA Fashion Show**

Ms. Sammarco shared that the event is not to be missed. Students and staff have worked very hard with daily rehearsals to prepare. The sponsors this year have been exceptionally generous, and a raffle has been organized. There are some remaining tickets at the cost of \$40.00. Parents who are unable to attend can contribute to the event by making donations online with the goal of raising over \$ 20 000.

6) **Reports:**

a) **Principal's Report**

- Transco Bus service is back after a long strike. Parents will be receiving \$7.00/day compensation in two installments.
- St. Patrick's Day is coming, and students are asked to wear green and bring in \$2.00 to help fund events at the school.
- Author Kaitlin Evans visited the school and met with students in grade pre-k to grade 4.
- Brain awareness from McGill University is coming on March 19<sup>th</sup> and will be making age appropriate presentations to the whole school.
- Mr. V applied for an Artists Inspire Grant and as such will have a Brazilian musician visiting.
- LDVA Storytelling will take place on March 21
- Reminder that the ped day initially scheduled to take place on March 22 has now been moved to Monday, April 8 due to the Solar Eclipse.
- LDVA has received \$16,000 for the MEQ for Rattrapage due to the teacher strike days. Teachers have made recommendations for students who will benefit from this extra support. Teachers on staff will be tutoring the students along with two well-known substitute teachers.
- The planning for 2024-2025 is underway.

b) **Vice Principal's Report**

- The visiting author, Kaitlin Evans, wants to donate a signed book for the school library. Students can purchase a copy of her book as well.
- Recess Champions Program is going very well.

c) **Commissioner's Report**

- No report.

d) **Teacher's Report**

- The grade 6 project is underway. There is a collection of hoodies, t-shirts and a gym bag with positive messages. Proceeds will be donated to the Sun Youth Organization.

e) **Regional Delegate Report**

- The committee would like to make some recommendation on how to proceed with the Principal's Selection Criteria.
- A letter was sent out to all school regarding the Educational Project with guidelines as to how to handle the surveys.
- The Parent Committee delegate gives out the PC Scholarship Award to students who get

a \$50 certificate at the elementary level and a \$100 certificate at the high school level.

**f) Daycare Report**

- No report.

**g) Home and School Report**

- A very successful breakfast with Santa catered by LeDoral. The students were very happy.
- January, February, and March dress down days to raise funds for school events.
- February was staff appreciation. Great feedback was given regarding the celebrations.
- Pizza fundraiser was very successful. Almost \$3000 profit was raised.
- Part 2 of TCBY is ongoing.

**7) Question Period**

No questions.

**8) Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 7:44 by A. Parente, seconded by A. D'Angelo. All in favor.

Motion approved.

Chairperson  
Signature:

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Stellana Romeo

Principal  
Signature:

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Nadia Sammarco