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Governing Board Minutes – March 26th, 2019

PRESENT:

Joseph Vitantonio
Chiara Petrocco
Casey Gagne
Clorinda Antonacci
Franco Mazzariello
Tiana Pomponi
Catherine Clarabut
Marco Fiore
Rosanna Verrillo

Marisa Papillo
Liliana Zarlenga
Benny Berneti
Lyne Lacourse
Tony Aversano (alternate)
Assunta Caruso
Sandra Greco
Patricia Gaudio (alternate)

1. Welcome

Benny Berneti welcomed and thanked everyone for being present

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Marisa Papillo moved to adopt the agenda seconded by Sandra Greco.
All were in favor. 10-0-1

3. Adoption of the Governing Board Minutes of February 19, 2019.

Correction to be made to: point # 7: Next meeting.....Should read 7:00 pm and not 19:00
Patricia Gaudio moved to adopt the minutes with the correction and it was seconded by Marisa Papillo
All in favor 11-0-0

4. New Business

a) Educational Project

- i. Thank you to the staff members who helped with the document
- ii. Education project same as MESA – school goals for the next 3 years
- iii. Document was reviewed and discussed

Resolution was approved by all

5. Reports

5.1 Principal

1. Secondary 5 French Final Exam

- a. The MEES Provincial final exam for secondary 5 students is taking place May 15 from 9:00-12:00 (Compréhension Écrite Exam)
- b. All students must be present for this exam.
- c. A letter will be given to students and emailed to parents.
- d. Motion to dismiss students once exam is over as any other exam day is requested.
*Approved by Clorinda Antonacci, seconded by Patricia Gaudio
All in favor 11-0-0*

2. Secondary 5 English Final Exam:

- a. The MEES Provincial final exam for secondary 5 students is taking place May 27-28-29 from 9:00-12:00.
- b. All students must be present for this exam.
- c. A letter will be given to students and emailed to parents- it was on the save the date of the newsletter.
- d. Motion to dismiss students once exam is over as any other exam day is requested.
- e. French orals taking place in PM for some students
*Approved by Casey Gagne, seconded by Marco Fiore
All in favor 11-0-0*

3. Last Day of Classes/First Week of June (**Approval Required**):

- a. Last day of classes is June 7, 2019.
- b. Schedule for the week includes exam days on regular school days.
- c. As in the past, the secondary 5 students will end a little earlier than the other grades. They will be treated to a Grad Brunch on their last day.
Motion to have Secondary 5 students end earlier – approved by Rosanna Verrillo, seconded by Franco Mazzariello. All in favor 11-0-0

4. Graduation Ceremony

- a. The graduation ceremony is taking Place on June 20, 2019 at Edouard Montpetit in Longueuil from 7:00 p.m. -9:30 p.m.
- b. There is a \$100 deposit for gowns at the time of pick-up.
- c. We are offering transportation to the theatre at a cost of \$5 per students.
- d. Tickets are limited to 3 per student to start and if extras are required-first come first served if any remain.
- e. Tickets cost \$15 each.
Motion to charge and collect the above-mentioned amounts required....approved by Tony Aversano, seconded by Catherine Clarabut. All in favor 11-0-0

5. Prom

- a. The Prom is taking place on Tuesday June 25th, 2019 at Golf Métropolitaine in Anjou.
- b. The cost is \$125 per student (\$135 for guest). (\$135 late fee/\$145 late fee)
- c. Cocktails are at 6:00 p.m. for students and parents are invited to stay as well.
- d. The meal begins at 7:00 p.m. for students.
- e. We offered a wish for prom to students. A survey went out and a decision has been made on a treat for the students on their prom night. In exchange, we have asked students to help us have a quiet end of the school year following last year's situation.
Approved by Clorinda Antonacci, seconded by Patricia Gaudio. All in favor 11-0-0

6. Autism Awareness

- a. Taking place April 2nd, 2019.
 - b. Team of CCWs have some lunchtime activities set-up for spread awareness.
 - c. They will be selling pencils, pens, lanyards from last year at 1\$ each
 - d. A blue jellybean jar. Guess how many and win. \$0.25 cent a guess.
- Approved by Casey Gagne, seconded by Marisa Papillo. All in favor 11-0-0*

7. Terry Fox Walk-a-thon

- a. Walk-a-thon will be held May 3, 2019 at 9:00am
 - b. Students will be treated to a lunch after walk
 - c. Zumba-thon will also be held the same evening at 7:00pm
- Approved by Sandra Greco, seconded by Casey Gagne. All in favor 11-0-0*

8. Exam Review Sessions **(Information Item):**

- a. Free Math tutorials for the secondary 1-2-3 students.
- b. Dates for the juniors include Saturday or weekday sessions.
- c. B & B tutorials for the senior level courses (Math, Science History)
- d. The cost for the B & B tutorials is \$50 for the 3-hour session paid directly to B & B online when students register.

9. MUHC Project **(Information Item):**

- a. This is an EMSB initiative, with a few other high schools involved.
- b. 4 secondary 1 students have been selected to conduct research with the MUHC Research Institute.
- c. They will receive 6 hours with a researcher on a topic of their choice in which they will find connections to create their final presentation following the STEAM philosophy.
- d. They will present their final project at the MUHC in the month of May.

10. Let's Be Empowered **(Information Item):**

- a. Ms. Rachela, our student supervisor is organizing this initiative.
- b. Girls' club that meets once a week.
- c. The idea behind this club to help motivate and empower girls, and give them the confidence to be successful.
- d. Discussion group, activities include mediation, yoga.

11. End of Year Supervision **(Information item):**

- a. We will be working on a schedule for all staff available to be supervising the school as we've done in the past.
- b. How do parents feel about security guards being hired?

12. Distinction Assemblies & Breakfast **(Information Item):**

- a. This term, we opted not to hold an assembly to reduce the amount of class time lost. Students received their certificates and breakfast invitations in class.
- b. Breakfast taking place on March 27, 2019 during Period 1.

13. Population Update **(Information Item):**

- a. To date we have 199 secondary 1 registration.
- b. Projected population is 990
- c. Post cards were sent reminding parents to come register.

14. Building work to be done beginning as early as May **(Information Item):**

- a. Roof will be redone.
- b. Parking lots will be redone, the Dijon lot will be reconfigured to accept deliveries since Dijon will be closed to traffic sometime in the near future.
- c. Field will be redone as part of the Soverdi-City of Montreal North Initiative.
 - i. This includes basketball nets near the school building, soccer field, other stations for exercise equipment, greenery to be planted.

15. Trip Proposals:

- a. Can we proceed by email and then we'll present the details next meeting?
Approved by Marisa Papillo, seconded by Franc Mazzariello All in favor 11-0-0

5.2 Commissioner

The commissioner was not present, therefore there was no report.

5.3 Chair/Regional Delegate's Report

Report was given

5.4 Treasurer/Secretary

There was nothing to report.

5.5 Student Council

Seedling: seeds have been planted and they're sprouting and they should be able to be sold at some point in May

Empathy day: Empathy day is this Wednesday we have a lot of fun activities planned for the secondary 4's to help promote empathetic behaviors in our school.

Post it notes: Student council spent 2 days writing compliment post-it notes to leave a nice message for students on the morning of the 27th.

Emsb camp: Students are very excited for this years EMSB Leadership camp, its only 1 month away, we hope to come back with good memories and new leadership skills to implement in our school environment

5.6 Teachers

Reports given

5.7 Sports Études Program

There was nothing to report.

5.8 Guidance Initiatives

N/A

6. Varia

There was nothing to report.

7. Next Meeting

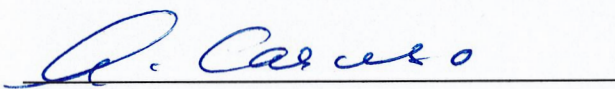
April 23, 2019 will be cancelled.....Approval by email if needed

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 7:00 pm

8. Adjournment

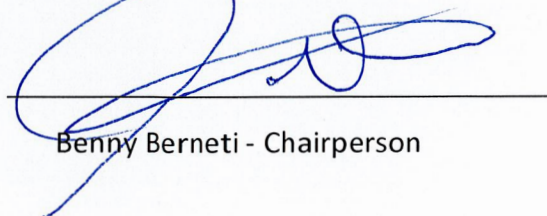
Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

Approved by Casey Gagne, seconded by Tony Aversano. All were in favor. 11-0-0



Joseph Vitantonio - Principal

Assunta Caruso (Interim)



Benny Berneti - Chairperson