



# Our Lady of Pompei School

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## Meeting Minutes Governing Board Meeting #2

Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Members in attendance:

Governing Board Members	GB Meeting #2 Thursday, Nov 14
Agnello, Cathy	Present
Berry, Natasha	Present
Cessa Mancillas, Maria de Lourdes	Absent
Cordileone, Laura (substitute)	Absent
Di Stefano, Andrea	Present
Di Zazzo, Erica	Present
Ferraro, Silvia	Present
Gonçalves, Danny	Absent
Gosselin, Anne	Absent
Latin, Bianca	Present
Misaiphon, Olivia Mayouli	Present
Negrii, Eugen	Present
Ricci, Mirella	Present
Rosciano, Giuseppe	Present
Stroz-Breton, Olivia	Present
Waugh, Heather (substitute)	Absent

**Administration:** Lisa Ancona

**Guests:** none

**Members of the Public:** none

### 1. Welcome

- The meeting was called to order by Ms. Di Zazzo at 6:35pm.
- The secretary, Mr. Di Stefano, is taking the minutes.

### 2. Additions to the Agenda

Mr. Di Stefano requested the addition of "Subcommittee for Schoolyard Renovations" to Varia.



### **3. Approval of the Agenda**

It was moved by Ms. Misaiphon, seconded by Ms. Berry, to approve the agenda. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

### **4. Adoption of the Minutes of Meeting #1 – September 26, 2024**

It was moved by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Misaiphon, to adopt the minutes from the previous meeting. 8 in favour, 2 abstentions; motion passed.

### **5. Business Arising from Minutes**

None.

### **6. Question Period**

None.

### **7. New Business**

#### **7.1 Electronic Vote (field trips)**

On Oct. 23, it was moved by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Berry, to approve two field trips at no cost to students: one on Nov 15. to Pointe-aux-Prairies Nature Park for cycle 3 students, and another on Jan. 15, to Centre des mémoires montréalaises for cycle 3 students. Motion unanimously passed.

#### **7.2 School Calendar**

Ms. Ancona shared that the school was required by the school board to add an additional pedagogical day to the school calendar. Jan 24 was selected as an appropriate day, because there are no other ped days in Jan.

It was moved by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Mr. Di Stefano, to approve the addition of a pedagogical day to the school calendar for January 24, 2025. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

#### **7.3 ACGC Plan**

Ms. Ancona presented the ACGC to GB, in accordance with Ministry policy. ACGC is intended to introduce different professions and careers to students. It is being incorporated into the cycle 3 curriculum.

It was moved by Ms. Stroz-Breton, seconded by Ms. Di Zazzo, to approve the ACGC plan as presented. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

#### **7.4 Donations from Apple Picking**

Ms. Ancona reported that 655\$ of donations were collected from parents in response to the call donations for the apple picking activity. 3 students' trips to the apple picking activity were subsidized using these donations. With the \$565 remainder, the school would like to cover the cost of cabane a sucre for certain students in need and their families. If money is left over, it would be used to cover the winter carnival activity for certain students in need. If money is left over, it will be used for grade 6 graduation. If money is still left over, it will be used for Family BBQ day in June.



There were discussions around how to prioritize funds for this year's field trips, since there are less funds than in previous years. Low cost options for Winter carnival were discussed as a way to mitigate the lower budget.

It was moved by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Stroz-Breton, to approve using the remainder of the donated funds for students of families experiencing financial difficulty in the following order of priority: cabane a sucre, winter carnival, grade 6 graduation, and family BBQ. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

## **7.5 ECA Multi-sport**

Ms. Misaiphon shared that in the past, this activity was run by Sun Youth, but it was no longer offered. To continue the activity, OLP invited Coach Jason of bounceback, to run the multi-sports program from now until June in 2-3 sessions. School is offering \$3000 to defray costs, and the cost to students is \$50 for 6 weeks.

It was moved by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Berry, to approve the ECA Multi-sport activity. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

## **7.6 Daycare Handbook 2024-2025**

This item was tabled until next meeting.

# **8. Reports**

## **8.1 Principal**

Ms. Ancona shared the Principal's report. We petition the EMSB for a vice-principal every year, and this year we were allowed to hire a staff assistant for one day per week. Ms. Maalouf agreed to take on the role, and our part-time teacher, Ms. Temple, agreed to fill in for Ms. Maalouf during those times. Some of the principal's work can be transferred to this staff assistant.

Last year, the school implemented measures to improve math results, because math results were quite low the previous year (though the data may have been skewed as the data was limited to a single exam). Every teacher who taught math last year committed to attend several "math talks" workshops and implemented strategies they learned into their classrooms. This year's focus is on literacy, so we're implementing the UFLI literacy program to bolster literacy for our students. Teachers have been released for training, and manuals and manipulatives were also purchased. Cycle 1 & 2 teachers are currently implementing it per the program's scope. It includes a systematic phonics program.

Every year, we receive donations from the "Dream Big Foundation". This year due to pre-K/K split class, teachers didn't have many toys for that classroom, and so this year the funding provided by the foundation was used to purchase educational toys to support that classroom. Furthermore, a small balance was also used to purchase indoor recess games.

Ms. Ancona noted several deficiencies in the construction & renovation projects that took place in the school over the summer, and they are expected to be corrected soon. This includes the fire doors, which are too difficult for some students to open; the GB agreed that the situation needs to be remedied as soon as possible.

This year, our dress-down fundraisers will benefit Shine, a charitable organization affiliated with missing children network. They offer workshops for students & teachers, including organizing Girls' club workshops to support positive relationships among young girls. Teachers & staff provide recommendations for who would benefit from these workshops, and they're currently underway.





## 8.2 Teachers

Ms. Ricci shared the teachers' report. Term one has ended, and the teachers noted that it went well. A lot of learning, new skills, listening, and evaluations. We are fortunate to have good kids at all levels; it's been a positive experience. Things are moving along nicely and both students & teachers are enjoying school.

## 8.3 Daycare

The daycare will be offering an extracurricular activity every Wednesday after school called "sports life" for the next 8 weeks. The first 4 weeks are for grades 4-5-6, next 4 weeks grade 1-2-3.

There are 3 upcoming ped days:

- Nov 21 activity will be making tote bags & keychains, offered by enfants & cie.
- Nov 22 will be popcorn, pizza, and movie day, which has received a lot of interest.
- Nov 29 will be a field trip to Funtropolis in Laval. A maximum of 50 students will be allowed to attend daycare that day (the first 50 students to register).

## 8.4 RPC

Mr. Rosciano shared the RPC report. RPC held 2 meetings already. At the first meeting they conducted elections for the executive. The Schoolboard elections also took place during November, and Mr. Ortona won. Ms. Korakakis also ran, who was the chair of RPC last year and is vice-chair this year.

There were also discussions about *corridors scolaires* since a student was hit at Royal West, which does not have a crossing guard. RPC discussed the conditions regarding which corners are eligible for a crossing guard and the process to request a crossing guard.

National Truth & Reconciliation Day. What else can we do? Schools have activities and some hold events to commemorate the occasion. Discussions about possibly implementing a literary prize or gifting books from indigenous authors.

Discussions around the value of having a dedicated resource account for each school's governing board. This would allow for continuity and tracking of previous GB conversations. However, someone brought up that this is not allowed for security reasons.

## 8.5 PPO

Ms. Misaiphon shared the PPO report. Halloween activities were a big success and included a haunted house, fair, science activity in the science lab, and storytelling.

There will be an upcoming holiday fundraiser; information will be circulated soon. It will be a cheese fundraiser, similar to last year.

The PPO is now preparing for the traditional countdown to the holidays daily activities, like meeting Santa, storytelling, etc.

Ms. Misaiphon thanked all staff and volunteers for supporting the activities.

Ms. Berry shared an idea about another fundraiser similar to the ice cream fundraiser, but with pizza. Each student would receive a slice of pizza. It would be ongoing (long-term) bi-weekly fundraiser. Each student would receive a jumbo slice of pizza, individually boxed, and already warm. A deal is currently being negotiated with Fratelli's pizza food truck. It was requested that



we inquire about whether the boxes are recyclable or compostable, or if a more eco-friendly option was available to replace the individual boxes (often, soiled boxes are not recyclable).

## 9. Varia

### 9.1 Subcommittee for Schoolyard Renovations update

Mr. Di Stefano shared updates about the Subcommittee for Schoolyard Renovations activities. The Chair, Ms. Morizio, has a lot of experience and has been moving things forward. It was decided to split any funds allotted to the project as follows: 80% for the north yard (for the younger children), and 20% for the south yard (older children).

## 10. Next Meeting/Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting put forth by Ms. Misaiphon, seconded by Ms. Stroz-Breton. All in favour; meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

Signatures:



Principal

12-10-24

Date



Governing Board Chair

2024-12-10

Date

