



Minutes of Governing Board Meeting Children's World Academy



2241 rue Ménard, LaSalle, H8N 1J4

Date: March 31, 2015

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Present:

Julieta Ascencio, , Sonia Bouchard, Milena Brunetta Anita Coretti, Mario Coverini, Frank Di Bello, David Estok, Karen Heather, Josée. Beauchemin, Andrea Intrevado, Michelle Johnstone, Mathieu Lavallée Maria Martinez, Claudio Mazzuca, Néomie La Roque, Jennifer Millen, Elisa Sebastiano, Sandra Vidonne

Absent with Reason:

Rebecca Best, Johanne Moreau, Devon Warnock

Absent without Reason:

None

Guests:

C. Lazzarini

Meeting Agenda

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| 1. Welcome / Regrets | | J. Millen |
| 2. Adoption of the Agenda | | J. Millen |
| 3. Minutes from January 27 / February 25, 2015 | | J. Millen |
| 4. Questions from the public | | |
| 5. Correspondence | | |
| 6. Continuing Business | | |
| 6.1 Uniform Sub-Committee updates | (I; D; DE) | J. Millen / D. Estok |
| 6.2 Playground Sub-Committee updates | (I; D; DE) | D. Estok |
| 6.3 Subject-Time Allocation | (I; D; DE) | D. Estok |
| 6.4 Camp Jouvence – Amendement to cost | (I; D; DE) | D. Estok |
| 7. New Business | | |
| 7.1 Major School Change | (I; D; DE) | J. Millen / D. Estok |
| 7.2 LBPSB Consultation: 3-year plan for immovables | (I; D; DE) | D. Estok |
| 8. Standing Reports | | |
| 8.1 Principal | | D. Estok |
| 8.2 Daycare Report | | K. Heather |
| 8.3 Teacher’s Report | | S. Bouchard |
| 8.4 PPO | | E. Sebastiano |
| 8.5 Regional Parent Representative | | A. Intrevado |
| 8.6 Commissioner | | F. Di Bello |
| 9. Field Trips | | Staff |
| 10. Members’ Open Forum | | All |
| 11. Adjournment | | |

1. Welcome

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt the Agenda, with addition of section 6.4. Motioned by M. Brunetta and seconded by S. Bouchard.

Resolution # 2015-03-02 All in favour. Motion passed

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1 Meeting of January 27, 2015

Motion to adopt the minutes of the January 27, 2015 meeting. Motioned by N. La Roque and seconded by K. Heather.

Resolution # 2015-03-03.1 All in favour. Motion passed.

3.2 Meeting of February 25, 2015

Motion to adopt the minutes of the February 25, 2015 meeting. Motioned by N. La Roque and seconded by C. Mazzuca.

Resolution # 2015-03-03.2 All in favour. Motion passed.

4. Public Question Period

No questions from the public.

5. Correspondence

QFHSA Newsletter (spring, 2015) arrived.

6. Continuing Business

6.1.1 Uniform Sub-Committee Updates

Mr. Estok thanked the sub-committee members for their time and hard-work spent on this mandate. He reported that the results of the comparisons made between the 3 local suppliers, all of which met the CWA selection criteria, indicated that cost was the only significant difference. Mr. Estok explained the conditions under which CWA would enter into a 2 year agreement with the selected supplier, and the service obligations the supplier would agree to adhere to.

WHEREAS the Governing Board of Children’s World Academy has conducted a review of the choice of our uniform supplier in response to parent concerns, and

WHEREAS the Governing Board of Children’s World Academy has created a sub-committee composed of parents and staff to conduct this review and make recommendations to the Governing Board regarding this matter, and

WHEREAS as a result of this review a suitable supplier has been found that meets with our requirements in terms of service, competitive price, quality of product, and corporate responsibility, and

WHEREAS the company MONI meets these requirements, and

WHEREAS the company MONI has requested that the school enter into an agreement with said company to have said company act as our official uniform supplier for a two- year period,

BIRT the Governing Board of CWA agrees to appoint MONI as the school’s official uniform supplier for a period of two years beginning immediately, with the understanding that prices offered to the parents community of CWA remain fixed for the period of two years, and

BIFRT should MONI be unable to honour its commitment to CWA in terms of quality of product and service, CWA shall seek a an alternate uniform supplier as the Governing Board of CWA sees fit,

WHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, on a motion by A. Intrevado and seconded by S. Bouchard approval for the above mentioned uniform supplier be accepted.

Resolution # 2015-03-06.1.1 All in favour. Motion passed.

6.1.2 Uniform Policy Update

Following the approval of a new uniform supplier, a discussion was held to agree on adjustments to relevant parts of the current CWA Uniform Policy. A suggestion was made to hold a school-wide survey regarding uniform items, in time for the second year of the contract with the new uniform supplier.

Motion to adopt revised CWA Uniform Policy document, which reflects the replacement of the hooded fleece sweatshirt with a zip-up fleece sweatshirt, as presented by J. Millen. Motioned by N. La Roque and seconded by S. Bouchard.

Resolution # 2015-03-06.1.2 All in favour. Motion passed.

6.2 Playground Sub-Committee Updates

The Sub-Committee will meet again on April 16, 2015. Two experts from BC2 (who have acted as consultants for other school playground renewal projects) will attend the sub-committee meeting to answer questions and provide advice and guidance on the playground renewal materials, process.

CWA has received a generous offer from a company specializing in artificial fields, **Field Turf**, which would provide \$50,000 of materials free of charge for the school yard renewal. This offer would be contingent on the understanding that CWA would cover installation costs of roughly \$25,000. As part of the agreement, **Field Turf** would have access to the materials in situ for the purpose of monitoring, testing, and evaluation of the product.

6.3 Subject-Time Allocation

Mr Estok explained that MELS has requested an official motion on subject-time allocation as part of our application for the renewal of our special project status. Documents concerning CWA's Subject-time Allocation for 2015-2016 were circulated by email to Governing Board members for pre-approval.

Motion to ratify pre-approved Subject-time Allocation for 2015-2016. Motioned by K. Heather and seconded by M. Coverini.

Resolution # 2015-03-06.3 All in favour. Motion passed.

6.4 Modification to cost of Camp Jouvence Trip

D. Estok requested an amendment to the cost to parents of the Grade 6 trip to Camp Jouvence, originally approved under Motion No. 04.902.01, in September 22, 2014.

Grade	6
Date / Time	May 06-08, 2015 (Depart May 6 at 08:00am. Return May 8 at 3pm)
Purpose	
Destination	Camp Jouvence, 131, chemin de Jouvence, Orford
Transportation	School Bus
Cost	\$190 (increased from \$180)
Supervision Ratio	1:7 (10 adults and 70 students)

Motion to approve modification to the student cost of the Grade 6 trip to Camp Jouvence, from \$180 to \$190. Motioned by N. La Roque and seconded by S. Vidonne.

Resolution # 2015-03-06.4 All in favour. Motion passed.

7. New Business

7.1 Major School Change

D. Estok announced that as the result of declining enrolments, unclear budget parameters from the government, and the increasing demands for some programs, LBPSB Council of Commissioners has voted to open the consultative process regarding major school change. The last major school change consultation occurred in 2009.

As part of the process, Governing Boards are required to compile and submit a Brief to LBPSB by October 31, 2015, identifying issues of importance and outlining the needs of their education community. The LBPSB must announce any decisions regarding major school change by January 15, 2016, for implementation in September 2016.

Mr. Di Bello spoke of the sincere desire of LBPSB to engage with and hear from all educational communities during the Major School Change consultation.

A Major School Change sub-committee must be struck to consult with the CWA community and to prepare a brief, which once approved by the CWA Governing Board will be presented to LBPSB before the October 31, 2015 deadline.

A subcommittee will be formed at the April meeting.

7.2 LBPSB Consultation: 3-year plan for immovables

D. Estok presented the LBPSB 3-year plan for immovable. It was recommended that the 3-year plan indicate the shared nature of the premises occupied by CWA as well as the CSMB elementary school, Terre de Jeunes (for example the shared school yard play areas). A second recommendation was made to change the 2015-2016 enrolment numbers for CWA to reflect the actual enrolment of 549 students.

Motion to approve CWA submission of 3-year plan for immovables, with 2 amendments.
 Motioned by C. Mazzuca and seconded by J. Beauchemin.

Resolution # 2015-03-07.2 All in favour. Motion passed.

8. Standing Reports

8.1 Principals Report

Thank Yous

Thank you to the PPO for their financial support of the recent Winter Carnival and the francofête. Both events were a great success.

Thank you to the many parent volunteers who helped out with the many trips to and from the skating rink. This contribution made the activity a reality.

Thank you, as well, to all the parents who helped out with the Grad photos last Friday. Your help and support allowed everything to run smoothly.

Soccer Mania

Our lunch-hour soccer tournament for grades 5 and 6 is wrapping up. Thank you to Liz Sanniti and Mr. Walker for their work in making this event happen.

Green Summit

Students from all other schools in Region 3 will join us at the Green Summit on April 22nd, to present Green Projects from their schools. The Summit is mostly targeting students in grades 3 and 4 but some high school students from LCCHS and John Rennie H.S. will present green projects from their schools as well. A number of workshops on different aspects of environmental sustainability will be given, including workshops by Velo Quebec on alternative transport, Green Composting and Urban Gardening, and Morgan Arboretum on Endangered Species.

Grade 5 seniors' luncheon

Scheduled for April 15, Mr. Clahane, Ms. Rutherford, and the grade 5 teachers have started to organize the Senior's Luncheon. More information will follow shortly.

CWA Art Website

Mme Dupont has created the CWA Art website to share what students are learning and creating in art class. The site also has links to art related websites.

Amazing Prevention Adventure

An information session for grade 5 & 6 students will be held on three different evenings at three different school locations, to help students as they transition to secondary school.

8.2 Daycare Report

Presented by K. Heather. Highlights included:

Lunch continues to run smoothly.

The Fierce Unicorns won the Soccer Mania competition. Staff will play the Fierce Unicorns soon, and an Awards ceremony will be held after Easter.

The ***Exploring Art*** unit is going well. Groups will contribute art works, representing IB profiles, in the style of their famous artist to the 2015-2016 CWA Daycare calendar.

Day care administration has received notice that once the provincial budget has been approved, the daily parental daycare contribution will be increased to \$8 per day, taking effect in April, 2015.

April 24, 2015 is a Ped Day. 56 students (8 teams) will attend the Destination Imagination school board competition. All other daycare students will be offered in-school activities.

15 daycare educators will be receiving CPR training in May.

Two daycare educators attended a LBPSB professional development event on March 17-18, where they networked and attended workshops.

8.3 Teachers' Report

Presented by S. Bouchard. Highlights included:

Kindergarten

This month students are celebrating spring and Easter, and will visit a Cabane à Sucre on April 02. Students are busy writing letters to the Easter Bunny, asking for an Egg Hunt on April 01, and continue working on the ***Making Sense of our Senses*** unit of inquiry.

Grade 1

Vistes Biodôme et Loblaws. Les élèves font des liens entre les modules. Contribue à H.O.P.E. Food Drive. Déjà actions en cours.

Grade 2

Nous sommes en plein coeur de notre module **à moi le monde**. Les élèves découvrent de nouvelles cultures et démontent une belle ouverture d'esprit. Visites et dégustations sont au menu.

Grade 4

We are starting our unit of inquiry on Rocks and Minerals. The company **Guepe** will visit the school to give the students a presentation.

Grade 5

5e année ont terminé l'unité sur le langage non-verbal et débutent leur unité sur l'industrialisation. On se prépare aussi à accueillir nos grands-parents lors du Seniors Luncheon, avril 15, 2015.

Grade 6

We finished the unit of inquiry on **Electricity** and will soon start our next unit on **Technologie des communications**.

Spanish

Last week grade 4s were very excited and happy to start a new unit of inquiry called **Vamos a Comer** (Let's Eat). This unit should take us to the end of the school year.

Art

Ms Dupont is very happy to be back. After Easter, grades 3 – 6 will begin a unit of inquiry on **Self-portraits**.

Space Club

Next week, Space club will participate in a NASA video-conference on the solar system.

Francofête

Author, Suzanne De Serres was great. Thank you to the PPO for helping us purchase 9 books from her collection for the CWA library.

8.4 PPO Report**Presented by E. Sebastiano.**

Two fundraising ideas were presented to Governing Board for consideration. Further consideration of these options will be given and a vote will be taken at a later date.

8.5 Regional Parent Representative Report

Quorum was not reached for a meeting this month.

8.6 Commissioner Report

Presented by F. Di Bello. Highlights included:

Mr. Di Bello was very pleased to present and receive approval from LBPSB for the renewal of the Specific Project offered at CWA.

Dates and times for the 2015-2016 LBPSB Council and Executive Meetings have been approved by the school board.

LBPSB has established a 3% increase to the cost of school facilities rentals (2015-2016).

MELS has approved funding for the analysis of air quality within LBPSB buildings. This will be conducted board wide between April-June 2015. Air quality at CWA will be analysed during April.

LCCHS will host a summer school for secondary students in July, 2015.

200 LBPSB secondary students will produce and perform in the TOPS Show (Truly Outstanding Pearson Students) at Lakeside Academy on April 17 and 18, 2015.

9. Field Trips

9.1 Ratified Field Trips

Grade	5-6 (select students)
Date / Time	Tuesday, March 24, 2015 (8:00 am -2:00 p.m.)
Purpose	Me to We Day
Destination	Theatre St. Denis – 1594 rue St. Denis, Mtl
Transportation	School bus
Cost	NIL
Supervision Ratio	1:6 (2 adults : 12students)
Grade	6
Date / Time	Tuesday, March 17, 2015 (10:15-11:15 a.m.)
Purpose	Music Field Trip – Vocal Concert ‘Spanish Poems’ with the Montreal Chamber Orchestra
Destination	Museum of Fine Arts, Bourgie Concert Hall, 1339 Sherbrooke St. W, Mtl
Transportation	School bus
Cost	\$10
Supervision Ratio	1:8 (9 adults : 72 students)

Motion to approve 2 ratified field trips. Motioned by S. Bouchard and seconded by C. Mazzuca.

Resolution # 2015-03-09.1 All in favour. Motion passed.

9.2 New Field Trip

Grade	3,4,5,6 (select students)
Date / Time	April 24, 2015 (8:30am – 3:00pm)
Purpose	Destination Imagination – LBPSB Competition
Destination	Vaudreuil H.S. 145 Harwood, Opti-Centre St Jean Baptiste, QC
Transportation	School bus
Cost	\$8
Supervision Ratio	1:7 (8 adults : 56 students)

Motion to approve 1 new field trip. Motioned by J. Beauchemin and seconded by N. La Roque

Resolution # 2015-03-09.2 All in favour. Motion passed.

10. Members Open Forum

A question was raised about the deadline for CWA Volunteer of the Year nominations. This year's Volunteer Lunch will be held on June 02, 2015.

The next CWA Governing Board meeting will be held at 6:45pm on April 29, 2015.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm. All in favour.

Respectfully Submitted

Michelle Johnstone

Secretary

Signed by:

Jennifer Millen

Governing Board Chairperson

David Estok

Principal