

MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARD MEETING CHILDREN'S WORLD ACADEMY

Date: Monday, October 17 2016

Time: 6:30 pm

Present:

Julieta Ascencio (JA), Alvern Bunn (AB), Mélanie Bougie-Richer (MBR), Anita Coretti (AC), Tania D'Alessandro (TDA), Anila Erindi (AE), Alexandre Gueudry (AG), Kimberley Harkness (KH), Michelle Johnstone (MJ), Nadia Longo (NL), Maria-Francesca Martinez (MFM), Jennifer Millen (JM), Alana Quinn-Leroux (AQL), Elisa Sebastiano (ES), Christopher Sweetnam-Holmes (CSH), Emmanuel Tremblay (ET)

Absent:

Frank Di Bello, Melanie Flores, Karen Heather, Susan Mintzberg

Guest:

Cecelia Lazzarini

**Children's World Academy
Governing Board
Agenda**

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| 1. Welcome / Regrets | J. Millen |
| 2. Adoption of the Agenda | J. Millen |
| 3. Minutes from 27-09-16 | J. Millen |
| 4. Questions from the public | |
| 5. Correspondence | J. Millen |
| 6. Continuing Business | |
| 6.1 School Yard Update | A. Quinn-Leroux |
| 6.2 Rental Request | A. Quinn-Leroux |
| 6.3 Open House | J. Millen / A. Quinn-Leroux |
| 6.4 Safety sub-committee | A. Coretti |
| 7. New Business | |
| 7.1 GB Internal Rules of Management | J. Millen / All |
| 8. Standing Reports | |
| 8.1 Principal | A. Quinn-Leroux |
| 8.2 Daycare's Report | J. Ascencio |
| 8.3 Teacher's Report | Staff |
| 8.4 Home & School | E. Sebastiano |
| 8.5 PPO | |
| 8.6 Regional Parent Representative | A. Bunn / M. Johnston |
| 8.7 Commissioner | F. Di Bello |
| 9. Filed Trips | A. Quinn-Leroux |
| 10. Members' Open Forum | All |
| 11. Adjournment | J. Millen |

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to accept Agenda by NL and seconded by MJ.

Resolution #2016-10-01

All in favour.

Motion Passed.

3. Approval Minutes

Minutes from September 27 2016 are tabled until November meeting.

4. Questions from the Public

5. Correspondence/Comments/Acknowledgments

6. Continuing Business

6.1 School Yard Update

The gate on Robidoux Street can now be locked. The key to this lock is shared with Terre des jeunes.

6.2 Rental Requests

There is an on-going entente with the city of LaSalle to use the gym for their activities offered to the community at large.

6.3 Open House

- ★ Open House will be held on Thursday, November 10 2016.
- ★ All GB members are strongly urged to attend to lend support to promote the school. Discussion was had regarding how to proceed with the tours during the evening.
- ★ As per the results received from past open houses regarding where new parents got the information, newspaper advertisement was not the popular choice. It is for this reason that no ads were put in the local newspaper.
- ★ AE will check into advertising on e-boards in Lachine.
- ★ AC will send a message on CWA's Parent Facebook page.

6.4 Safety Sub-Committee

The sub-Committee will meet shortly to discuss issues.

7. New Business

7.1 Governing Board Internal Rules of Management

- ★ Internal rules of management discussion took place. Members gave feedback. Revised internal rules will be distributed to the members before our November meeting.

Motion to approve, in principle, by ES and seconded by CSH.

Resolution #2016-10-07.1

All in favour.

Motion passed.

8. Standing Reports

8.1 Principal's Report

Highlights included:

Event	Description
Terry Fox Walk	On Friday, September 29, our students did a wonderful job of representing CWA with pride; as they walked within our community in support of Terry Fox and his efforts. Due to the presence of volunteers and police, our students were well supported and safe along their route. All donations from our Dress Down day will go to the Terry Fox Foundation.
School Photos	On Monday, October 3, our students had their photos taken. The proofs came in this week and students should have taken them home. Thank you to our volunteers who helped make the day run smoothly. Photo retake day is Monday, November 7.
IB Parent Information Evening	On Thursday, October 6, Mme Bouchard held her annual IB parent meeting. The registration was strong, but unfortunately not all who registered attended. Those who did attend had a wonderful time and were very engaged in the activities.
Lockdown drill	We have now completed 5 of our 6 required fire evacuations and our lock down drill.
Report Cards	On Thursday October 13, the Interim Report cards were sent home. An ERMS was sent to remind the parents, in case students

	<p>forget to share. First term report cards will be sent on Monday, November 21. Portfolio evening will be held on Wednesday, November 23.</p>
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8.2 Daycare Report

Presented by J. Ascencio. Highlights Included:

Lunch	211 registered for lunch only
Daycare	Regular 312 / 9 sporadic / 211 lunch (not am/pm daycare)
Pedagogical Days	Minecraft LEGO Activity planned for November 1st ped day at a cost of \$20 (\$10 Basic Fee + \$10 Activity Fee). Please note that the fee is not refunded should the student not attend the daycare.
Varia	Oct 12 beginning of Friday Fun Clubs Parent User Committee meeting on October 27

Motion to approve November 1st Pedagogical Day “Minecraft LEGO” with modifications to the letter by AB seconded by AG.

Resolution #2016-10-08.2

All in favour.

Motion Passed.

8.3 Teachers' Report

Grade	Highlights
Ks	We are coming to the end of our Unit, “What’s School All About”. We are well into the autumn portion our our “Seasons” unit and the children have been enjoying the splendors of the new season. We had a glorious day at the apple orchard (La Magie de la Pomme). The teachers have been providing the children with many apple and autumn related math, language arts and French activities. We will be taking a Nature Walk next week, as the signs of autumn should be very apparent by then. This month Kindergarten will be chopping vegetables with their teachers and Mr. Clahane in preparation for their big Harvest Lunch! The children are already planning their Halloween costumes and

	cannot wait for their first Halloween at CWA!
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2	Nous terminons notre module “Nos amies les bestioles”. Nous avons appris comment les bestioles sont utiles ou nuisibles et comment les protéger. Nous terminons notre projet final. Un papa policier est venu parler des comportements sécuritaires lors de la fête d’Halloween.
3	Nous avons reçu la visite de Mme Émilie de GUEPE. Elle nous a parlé de l’eau et de ses états. Elle a aussi expliqué aux enfants le cycle de l’eau et notre responsabilité par rapport à la consommation de cette ressource précieuse. Bien que nous soyons encore dans notre module sur les peuples autochtones du monde, cette activité constitue une introduction à notre prochain module de recherche: “L’eau dans tous ses états”.
4	<p>The grade 4 students and wonderful parent volunteers participated in an Up Cycling morning on Friday, October 14. The students were very creative in their use of objects that would otherwise have become waste. Even though our unit on “Waste in Our World” is coming to a close, the students will continue to upcycle objects until the end of November, which then will be sold at a school fundraiser for the WWF.</p> <p>A HUMONGOUS thank you goes out to all the parent volunteers and to all the parents who so generously donated the materials for the students to use. MILLE GRAZIE!</p>
5	The grade 5 students are finishing up the unit on “Natural Disasters”. They are working on their project and getting ready to present it to the class on Friday. Our next unit is Immigration. Our first field trip is coming up soon to Expo Rail.
6	Nous avons eu la visite de la mairesse de Lasalle, Madame Manon Barbe. Nous avons également visité Ottawa. Lors de cette sortie, nous avons vu le Diefenbunker, la cour suprême du Canada et le parlement. La député de Lasalle-Lachine-Dorval, Madame Dhillon, nous y attendait pour une photo.
IB Coordinator	30 parents had registered for the IB Parent Workshop on October 6th, but only 12 showed up!

8.4 Home & School Report

Presented by E. Sebastiano. Highlights Included:

Event / Activity	Description
Subway / Pizza Lunches	Both lunches are underway. Everything went smoothly.
Classroom Purchases	Grade 1 received 4 mini Ipads. A storage bin will be purchased for the Kindergarten school yard.
Festivities	Preparation for Halloween festivities has begun.
Fundraiser	Family Pasta Night on November 18 \$15 Adult or \$18 Adult + Wine/\$10 Children All food is being donated by Romina Sicoli (Villa Toscana)

Motion to approve Pasta Night on November 18, 2016 by MJ and seconded by NL.

Resolution #2016-10-08.4

All in favour.

Motion Passed.

8.5 PPO Report

No report.

8.6 Regional Parent Representative

There has been a change regarding the organizational structure of the Regional Parent Committee. Formally, there were 3 different regions with a mix of elementary and high schools. Now, there are three separate regions (Elementary East, Elementary West, and High School). CWA falls under the Elementary East Region. Each school in the region will host one of the meetings. The Regional Parent Committee encourages the alternate to attend the meeting; however, 1 vote is granted to each school. To better serve the communities, the Parent Committee requested a Top 5 list of priorities/concerns from Governing Boards.

8.7 Commissioner Report

Absent. No Report.

9. Field Trips

Unit of Inquiry	Educational Outing / Activity	Cost per
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		Student
Kindergarten		
Santa Claus Around the World	Pointe à Callière	\$8.50
Love of Reading	Bibliothèque l'Octogone	\$3.00
Launching Spring	Erablière La Goudrelle, St-Gregoire	\$10.00
Fur, Feathers, & Scales	Ecomuseum Sainte Anne de Bellevue	\$7.00
End of the Year Celebration	Camp Pioneer	\$9.00
Grade 1		
Mon Cartier GPS Mission (grade 1)	Parc bois de Belle Rivière Mirabel	\$13.00
Interactive Activities	Musée pour Enfants Chomedey	\$11.00
Appreciation for Animals	Biodome	\$6.00
SOS espèces menacées	GUEPE	\$3.00
Gardens & Insectarium	Jardin Botanique (special after school schedule required due to return time)	\$8.00
Grade 2		
Les voitures à air: Comment c'est faite (grade 2)	4 in-house class activities	\$5.00
Grade 6		
Math Olympics (grade 6)	Lakeside Academy	nil

Motion to approve the 14 field trips by KHA and seconded by MJ.

Resolution #2016-10-08.5

All in favour.

Motion Passed.

7. Members Open Form

- ★ Homework during daycare: Monitors shouldn't correct homework, so parents can review with their children.
- ★ Students have 20 minutes to eat their lunch: ongoing microwave issues.

- ★ Grade 6 Grad Hoodies vs. t-shirts: to be discussed at staff council.
- ★ Results from the grade 5 & 6 TTFM (Tell Them From Me) survey; should be put on November agenda for discussion.
- ★ Enriched Math Program: Enriched math is offered to students in forms of Math Olympics (gr. 6) and teachers providing high achievers with appropriate math challenges.

8. Adjournment

9:15 pm

Respectfully Submitted by
Maria-Francesca Martinez

Signed by:

Jennifer Millen
Governing Board Chair

Alana Quinn-Leroux
Principal