

# MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARD MEETING CHILDREN'S WORLD ACADEMY

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**Date:** Wednesday, January 11, 2017

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**Present:**

Julieta Ascencio (JA), Alvern Bunn (AB), Mélanie Bougie-Richer (MBR), Anita Coretti (AC), Anila Erindi (AE), Frank Di Bello (FDB), Alexandre Gueudry (AG), Michelle Johnstone (MJ), Mathieu Lavallée (ML), Maria-Francesca Martinez (MFM), Jennifer Millen (JM), Susan Mintzberg (SM), Alana Quinn-Leroux (AQL), Emmanuel Tremblay (ET)

**Absent:**

Luci Sollazzo, Frank Di Bello(FDB), Christopher Sweetnam-Holmes, Kim Harkness(KHa), Nadia Longo(NL)

**Guest:**

# Children's World Academy Governing Board Agenda

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| 1. Welcome / Regrets  | JM    |
| 2. Adoption of Minutes from previous meetings                 |       |
| 3. Question from the public                                   |       |
| 4. Correspondance   |       |
| 5. Questions from the Public                                  |       |
| 6. Continuing Business  |       |
| 6.1 Safety Sub-Committee (I, DE, D)                           | AC/AB |
| 6.2 GB Internal Rules of Management Update (I)                | JM    |
| 7. New Business   |       |
| 7.1 Projet Particulier Status (I, DE) (tabled for next month) | AQL   |
| 7.2 Special Needs Project (I, DE) (tabled for next month)     | AQL   |
| 7.3   |       |
| 8. Reports  |       |
| 8.1 Principal Report  | AQL   |
| 8.2 Daycare Report  | JA    |
| 8.3 Teacher Report  | AG    |
| 8.4 Home & School Report                                      | ES    |
| 8.5 PPO   | ES    |
| 8.6 Parent Committee Rep.                                     | AB/MJ |
| 8.7 Commissioner  | FDB   |
| 9. Field Trips  | AQL   |
| 10. Open Forum  | All   |
| 11. Adjournment   |       |

## **1. Welcome / Regrets**

## **2. Adoption of Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda with tabling item 7.1 & 7.2 by MJ.

**Resolution #2017-01-02**

**All in favour.**

**Motion Passed.**

## **3. Minutes from previous meetings**

December 12 2016 minutes approval tabled until next month.

## **4. Questions from the public**

Parents approach JA to post the chartwell days on the monthly fridge calendar. Chartwell orders (grace period of orders to give more time) Reminder needed for chartwells and orders should be made by a certain. All electronic by next year.

## **5. Correspondence/Comments/Acknowledgments**

A letter from a student from the Education department of McGill University would like to serve as a community rep on GB. As it was mentioned at the GB meeting, it was encouraged that community reps be members from the community at large and not necessarily parents from the school.

## **6. Continuing Business**

### **6.1 Safety Sub-Committee**

Sub-committee has prepared a flyer to share with parents. Parents have offered to volunteer in promoting this safety policy.

New signage is required for the Handicap parking slot as well as one for the entrance. Both a hard copy and electronic flyer will be sent to all parents.

### **6.2 GB Internal Rules of Management Update**

Changes were made based on discussion that took place at previous meetings. Yearly revisions is required.

## **7. New Business**

### **7.1 Project Particuliers Status**

This item has been tabled until next month.

### **7.2 Special Needs Project**

This item has been tabled until next month.

### **7.3 Fundraising Form**

Benchmarking was made with other schools to create this fundraising form to determine what questions and comments were required to best suit CWA's community. This form is intended to ensure that we are putting appropriate fundraisers in the school. This form needs to be approved by Staff Council before it is presented to the GB. Minor adjustments need to be made, therefore approval of form will be tabled until next month.

### **7.4 Deed of Establishment**

AQL presented The Deed of Establishment for 2016-2017 year. No changes have been made since last year. The Deed remains status quo.

Motion to approve the 2016 - 2017 Deed of Establishment by AC.

**Resolution #2017-01-07.4  
Passed.**

**All in favour.**

**Motion**

## 8. Reports

### 8.1 Principal Report

#### Internet Safety Presentation:

On Tuesday December 6th, Mr. Cutler spoke to a group of approximately 30 parents, regarding internet safety. He did a wonderful job of presenting the pros and cons to internet use and how as adults, we can help guide our youth. Thank you for volunteering your time and sharing this valuable knowledge and information Mr. Culter.

*Mr. Cutler is a frequent contributor to National & Global media reportage about cyber-crime, spying, security failures, internet scams, and the real social network dangers that families and individuals face every day.*

*He also created and launched his first course on Udemy.com November 1, 2016. Check out his blog at: [TerryCutler.com](http://TerryCutler.com) to learn more.*

#### Grade 6 Symposium:

On Friday December 9th we had a wonderful group of presenters come in to speak to our grade 6 students about food and related domains and help prepare them for their upcoming Grade 6 Exhibit. Thank you to all who participated.

#### Olive Oil Fundraiser:

The fundraiser is over and all oil has now been delivered/collected.

#### Holiday Concert:

On Thursday December 15th we held our Holiday concert. The students put on two performances, one in the morning and one in the evening. Both were very well attended. The students did a fantastic job!!! Thank you to all who helped make this happen, from our decorators, to set design crew, to sound and lighting crew and Mr. Clahane. A few moments were also taken to congratulate and acknowledge Ms. Hasmig's 17 years of dedication to CWA.

Music Teacher Replacement: Following Ms. Hasmig's retirement, Ms. Dara has joined us as the interim music teacher; until a music teacher can be named to complete the school year. An ERMS was sent out to all parents regarding this change, with an introductory letter from Ms. Dara.

*Breakfast with Santa:*

On Friday December 23rd we all had a fantastic time having breakfast with Santa! Thank you to the incredible crew who did the set-up Thursday evening, to all who helped it run smoothly during the event and to those who did the clean-up. What a great way to wrap up the year and head into the holiday season.

*Volleyball:*

A group of approximately 30 of our grade 6 students participated in the school boards interscholastic volleyball tournament on Tuesday January 10th. Their lunchtime practices paid off, as they had a positive experience and won a fair number of their matches. Thank you to our coaches and parent volunteers.

*Beurling Tutors:*

We have a great group of Beurling students volunteering their time with our students, during after school daycare. They started just before the holidays and will continue into the Spring. They are essentially providing tutoring and help with homework.

*Upcoming events:*

In the coming weeks, you can look forward to the following: Outings, invited guests(Octogone/Neurones Optiques), bus safety (January 24 & 25 to K's and grade 1 students) and Geordie productions.

- Thank you to parents who contributed to Verdun via the Pearson Education Foundation. 15 parents contributed to the cost of \$2180.

February 28 Presentation to grades 4-6 from the Bluenose Theatre. Differences and acceptances thematic.

*Respectfully submitted by: Alana Leroux*

*January 10, 2017*

## 8.2 Daycare Report

Presented by J. Ascencio. Highlights Included:

<b>Lunch</b>	Staff Schedule to facilitate the flow and safety of the students when they go outside.
<b>Daycare</b>	Champions for life. 3 groups in gr. 1 and 2 for 10 weeks. Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays from 3pm. To 4pm (Observation begins January 26 and sessions will begin on January 30). No cost to students. Available to students who wish to participate.  Motion to approve by AG. All in favour.
<b>Pedagogical Days</b>	February 10. Caring and creativity will be the main themes. In school. Cost \$12-\$15.  Motion to approve the February 10 ped day of a maximum of \$15 by ES.  Resolution #2017-01-08.02 Motion passed.
<b>Varia</b>	Karen is back next week. 2 days a week. Also we have Cathy LaSerra returning to kindergarten Thursday and Friday.

## 8.3 Teachers' Report

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Highlights</b>
Ks	
1	Les élèves de 1re année préparent une mini-exposition pour le module L'évolution des métiers.
2	Nous apprenons comment les gens s'expriment avec la musique. Nous avons vu un spectacle d'instruments de musique anciens utilisés en Nouvelle-France. Nous écoutons plusieurs chansons d'ici et d'ailleurs en étant attentifs aux éléments culturels présents et aux sentiments qu'elles provoquent en nous.
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4	The grade 4 students have begun learning about cartoonists relay messages and values through cartoons. With all this acquired knowledge, the students will create their own comic book. They are also learning about different styles of cartooning with the help of M. Alexandre.
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6	Students are working on their exhibition projects. They have mentors (teachers in the school) guiding the research process. Students are very interested in the topic of food. They look forward to presenting their exhibits on February 16 from 3:00 to 5:30pm.
Spanish	
Art	Lunch Art club is back! From monday to thursday for grade 3 to grade 6 students.
Music	
Physical Education	
IB Coordinator	
Terry Clahane	

8.4 Home & School Report

Presented by E. Sebastiano. Highlights Included:

Event	Description
Comedy Night	Requesting approval to hold a Comedy night on March 24th. Approximately 4-5 Comedians will perform. We have a parent (David Pryde) who will be hosting this event. He has ties to Just for Laughs and many more. Frank Taddeo will co-host. \$25 for adults only 18 years and older
Finances	Home and School Finances update

Motion to approve Comedy Night with funds going to classroom resources by AC.

**Resolution #2017-01-08.4  
Passed.**

**All in favour.**

**Motion**



## 8.5 PPO Report

No report.

## 8.6 Parent Committee Rep.

No update since our last report; however, MJ attended a meeting, Demographics and Enrollment Sub-committee, on December 21 to look into recommendations towards the retention of students within the LBPSB. Parents of this sub-committee is looking into the possibility of re-opening discussion of Bill 101

## 8.7 Commissioner Report

Commissioner absent. No report given.

## 9 Field Trips

<b>Unit of Inquiry</b>	<b>Educational Outing / Activity</b>	<b>Student/ Adult Ratio</b>	<b>Cost Per Student</b>
Leadership	Jr. Leadership Day	1:10	nil

Motion to approve the Jr. Leadership Day field trip by JA.

**Resolution #2017-01-09**

**All in favour.**

**Motion Passed.**

## 10. Members Open Forum

AC asked if we can look into issuing a survey directed to former graduates to provide feedback of their experience at CWA.

Governing Board Upcoming meetings dates:

Monday, February 13

Monday, March 20

Monday, April 24

Monday, May 15 (replacement secretary is required)

Monday, June 19

## 11. Adjournment

8:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted by  
Maria-Francesca Martinez

Signed by:

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Jennifer Millen  
Governing Board Chair

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Alana Quinn-Leroux  
Principal