



Children's World Academy Governing Board Minutes



Date: October 11th, 2024

Start Time: 18h35

End time: 20h00

Location: CWA Teachers Lounge

Present Voting Members: Andrew Billings-White, Christina Arvanitakis, Sharon Burgy, Alexandre Gueudry, Laura Lo Vasco, Patricia O'Malley, Rebecca Price, Emmanuel Tremblay, Karine Bassal, Gianna Caucci, Melissa De Marco, Giovanni Iapaolo, Alicia Mancini, Gunkamal Preet Kaur, Shanika Taylor-Haughton, Mario Vilone

Present Non-Voting Members: Lisa Baylis, Sabrina La Villa (sub), Kim Jones (sub)

Regrets: none

Guests: none

1. Welcome

- Lisa B. welcomed everyone and conducted the meeting.
- a. Introduction of GB members
 - Round table of all GB members who introduced themselves
- b. Introduction of Community Reps
 - Community Reps were absent; introductions will be done next meeting

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Gianna C. to adopt Agenda as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Vote For: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 (Resolution # 2024-10-08.01)

3. Selection of GB Executives:

- a. Chair - Karine Bassal by acclamation
- b. Vice-Chair - Giovanni Iapaolo by acclamation
- c. Treasurer - Melissa Di Marco by acclamation
- d. Secretary - Shanika Taylor-Haughton by acclamation

4. Approval of minutes

- a. June 11th 2024

Moved by Giovanni I. to approve June minutes as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Vote For: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 (Resolution # 2024-10-08.02)

- b. September 17th 2024, Extraordinary

Moved by Gianna C. to approve September minutes as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Vote For: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 (Resolution # 2024-10-08.03)

5. Correspondence

- a. AGA attendance/GB recruitment
 - Discussion about how to recruit new members moving forward and improve awareness about GB
 - Suggestions include holding the AGA on Curriculum Night; being present at Open House, Corn Roast and Food Truck events; having a page announcing the next AGA in the yearbook

6. Questions from the Public

- a. No questions were sent to the Governing Board by parents
- b. No questions sent to Governing Board by the public

7. Continuing Business

- a. Uniform Sub-Committee
 - Requires to be chaired by a GB member.
 - Chair - Giovanni Iapaolo by acclamation.
 - Members: Gianna Caucci.

- b. Safety Sub-Committee
 - Chair - Karine Bassal by acclamation.
 - Members: Mario Vilone, Gianna Caucci

8. New Business

- a. Commissioner's Invite to GB Meetings
 - This is an election year and the commissioner will be invited to the November GB and all subsequent meetings.
- b. GB Internal Rules of Management *
 - To be approved in November
- c. GB Annual Report Recommendations *
 - To be approved in November
- d. Library Annual Report 2023-2024 *
 - Brief review of Annual report
- e. Daycare Users' Committee
 - No requests have been made to form a Daycare Users' Committee
- f. Halloween Activities
 - Grade 6 students are planning Halloween activities for all grades; we will have our Annual Pumpkin Display with a movie theme this year; H&S have also planned activities

Moved by Shanika T-H. to approve Halloween activities as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Vote For: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 (Resolution # 2024-10-08.04)

9. Standing Reports

- a. Principal - Lisa Baylis
 - Orange Shirt Day: A big thank you to Ms. Lim, Mme France, and Ms. Christine for all their work they put into organizing Orang Shirt Day. Students understanding was surely deepened by the approach that was

put into this day. This committee is planning more activities that will take place throughout the year so that we are moving beyond Sept 30th and deepening our understanding of Indigenous Culture.

- The Indigo Fundraiser has raised on \$4000 so far. The event has been extended by a week. Important to note that we receive a 30% discount on everything we purchase.
- Many clubs and activities have begun a big thank you to staff. Right now, we have cross country and band starting this week. We had choir, and art club start a few weeks ago. Last week we also had our first hockey practice!
- We were very proud of our students at the Cross Country Run, they played well and represented our school well. The next Phys Ed event will be later this month, as grades 4-6 will be going to the Cross Country Run.
- A big thank you to Home and School. The corn roast was amazing!
- We have begun literacy block in grade 4, as a focus on literacy is part of our Educational Project. This type of targeted approach to reading will begin in grade 3 as well. Later on we will start in cycle 1.
- Ms. Tasha has started going into Grade 2 classes to review the zones of regulation in a depth. We had a presentation for teachers on our September Ped Day about how to implement this program in their classrooms in a meaningful way. Daycare/Lunch staff will be receiving the same information at workshop later this month. Once again this ties in with our Educational Project as our goal is to make Social Emotional Health a Priority.
- LCCHS and Beurling came to visit our grade six classes last week. LCCHS Open House is on Oct 16th.

b. Daycare - Christina Arvanitakis

- See Daycare Report provided by Christina A.
- September 27th ped day was successful; 110 students; perfect day for the park
- The daycare and lunch fees have changed as per government mandate:
 - Daycare fees: \$9.50
 - Lunch fees: \$3.15
 - Pedagogical day fees: \$9.50
 - Supervision rate: \$6.50
- Computer classes will take place after school with Mme France; grades

- 3-4 to start, then all grades
- Champions for Life will return; grade 1
- Champs Basketball; 10 weeks starting October 29th; for students in daycare; grade 5-6
- Ped day to be approved:
 - November 15th; In-House Arts & Crafts; new approval due to gvt change of daycare fees; \$17.50
 - November 22nd; Laurentian Lanes Bowling; bus; 1:20; \$32.00

Moved by Alexandre G. to approve Ped day activities as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Vote For: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 (Resolution # 2024-10-08.05)

- c. Teachers - Alexandre Gueudry & Andrew Billings-White
 - Brief review of Teacher's Report on drive

- d. Home & School - Kim Jones
 - No approvals tonight
 - Year has started off great
 - We have 69 members in good standing to date
 - We had our second meeting of the school year last Wednesday
 - We started off the year with our annual corn roast.
 - We had the Just Dance Mobile Truck
 - A used uniform sale
 - Lots of food
 - Was a great success
 - We didn't end up using any of our budget and actually made a very small profit
 - Grad Hoodies were purchased and distributed recently. Grads also received a little popcorn
 - treat their first week back to school to wish them a Poppin' Last Year.
 - We did a small staff treat at the beginning of the year and are planning another this month
 - Our fundraising lunches started last week, the next one is this Thursday.
 - At last week's lunch we gave the kindergartener's their cutlery that we purchased last year.
 - Our chocolate bar fundraiser has started. We collected orders for about 270 boxes, which is 70

- more than we were expecting . We are very pleased with this number as we did the opt in
 - system this year and wasn't sure how it would go.
 - We are currently prepping for the upcoming Terry Fox day. We have about 15 volunteers
 - coming to help guide the students stationed along their route. We will also be offering everyone
 - made good granola bars and juice boxes.
 - We have Les Super Recycleurs coming Oct 16th. They will be coming back again in May.
 - We are also currently prepping for Halloween. We are offering each class a pumpkin and
 - supplies to decorate their pumpkin that week. As well as a pizza lunch on Halloween day and a fun little Halloween pencil and eraser.
- e. Parents' Committee - Alicia Mancini & Gianna Caucci
- No meetings yet.
- f. Commissioner - Absent
- [Budget Press Release Sept 17 2024](#)
 - [Summary Council of Commissioners Aug 27 2024](#)
 - [Summary of Council of Commissioners Sept 17 2024](#)
 - [LBPSB - Election Fact Sheet](#)

10. Field Trips & Fundraisers

a. Field Trips

| Trip | Grade | Date | Transportation | Ratio | Price |
|-------------------------|-------|-------------|----------------|-------|---------------|
| Eco Musee du Fier Monde | 5 | May 8th/9th | Bus | 1:8 | \$20.50 (Max) |

Moved by Sharon B. to approve field trip as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Vote For: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 (Resolution # 2024-10-08.06)

b. November Dressdown for Cancer Research

Moved by Laura LV. to approve fundraiser as presented.

Carried unanimously.

Vote For: 16 Against: 0 Abstention: 0 (Resolution # 2024-10-08.07)

11. Members' Open Forum

- Discussion about lates still being very problematic with many repeat offenders

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 20h00

Next Meeting: November 12th, 2024 at 6:30pm on Zoom

Minutes respectfully submitted by Karine Bassal

Signed by:

Karine Bassal

GB Chair – Karine Bassal



School Principal – Lisa Baylis