École Edward Murphy School

MINUTES
Governing Board Meeting
September 26th, 2016 at 6:00pm

Present: Laura Saragosa, Sandra Tartamella, Cristina Celzi, Renee Deschamps, Rita Pacifico, Diana Sukovski, Dominique Jodoin, Karine Bruni, Jennifer Branco, Giovanna Giuliana

Regrets: Nadia Greco, Rosario Ortono

Meeting commenced at 6:20pm

1. **Approval of the Agenda**
   Motion to approve: *1st Diana Sukovski, 2nd Renee Deschamps, unanimous.*

2. **Approval of Minutes of June 16th, 2016 Governing Board Meeting:**
   Motion to approve: *1st Renee Deschamps, 2nd Sandra Tartamella, and Abstention: Rita Pacifico, Dominique Jodoin, Karine Bruni, Giovanna Giuliana*

3. **Public Question Period:**
   None

4. **Arising from the minutes of June 16th, 2016 Governing Board meeting:**
   We would like to define what a community rep is: Someone who can bring different ideas and perspectives to our discussions. Some suggestions on possible community reps: Officer Ben Joly, Maxi Versailles Manager, Eco Quartier representative, CRC member. We can ask Mr. Rocco for his suggestions on our neighbourhood contacts. Tabled for next meeting.

5. **New Business:**

5.1 Election of GB Chair-Laura Saragosa
1st Sandra Tartamella, 2nd Renee Deschamps, unanimous.

Jennifer Branco arrives at 6:30pm.

5.2 Election of GB Vice-Chair- Renee Deschamps
1st Laura Saragosa, 2nd Sandra Tartamella, unanimous.

5.3 Election of Secretary-Sandra Tartamella (In case of absence Diana Sukovski will replace)
1st Laura Saragosa, 2nd Rita Pacifico, unanimous.

5.4 Election of Treasurer- Karine Bruni
1st Laura Saragosa, 2nd Dominique Jodoin, unanimous

5.6 Dates of GB Meetings:
Waiting for RPC/CPC meeting dates.
Next GB meeting scheduled for October 24, 2016

5.7 Pelo
Motion to offer free Pelo courses to our students during lunch time for the 2016/2017 school year.
1st Laura Saragosa, 2nd Diana Sukovski, Unanimous

5.8 Daycare Handbook

The Daycare handbook is an information booklet on the logistics on how the Edward Murphy Daycare functions. The updates have been made for the 2016/2017 school year.

Motion to approve the Edward Murphy Daycare Handbook
1st Sandra Tartamella, 2nd Renee Deschamps, unanimous

5.9 Taekwondo (extra-curricular activity)

Offered by Jen Branco. 10 week program offered to students at a cost of 125$ plus uniform cost of 30-40. Jen will provide the application letter to be handed out to the students.

Motion to offer Taekwondo to our students, the days to be determined.
1st Diana Sukovski, 2nd Laura Saragosa, Abstention: Jennifer Branco

5.10 Apple picking fieldtrip

School wide fieldtrip on October 4th, 2016 to Verger Gervais & Labelle. The cost per student will be 10$. This will include a snack and 5lbs of apples.

Motion to allow the school wide fieldtrip.
1st Laura Saragosa, 2nd Dominique Jodoin, unanimous

6. Principal Report

School enrolment is at 235 students.
Strong possibility that class 13C will be split in October.
We have received additional hours for behavioural tech support.
Building and grounds: Painting has been finished, water fountains were changed. Broken tiles have been patched but we are expecting to have all tiles changed during the 2017 summer vacation months.
We have reapplied for the Breakfast Club. We have chosen the cold breakfast bins and are waiting for approval.
Open house is November 9th. There will be afternoon and evening tours. We should consider advertising in Montreal Families and Le Flambeau, In Focus and on Social Media.
We are hoping the HonorRoll board will encourage students to work harder and help raise self-esteem for our students. We would like to showcase those students who score 85% and higher per term.

7. Teachers Report

Teachers appreciated the Welcome Back party and had fun meeting new families and past students as well.
Cycle 2 went to the EcoMuseum and everyone was very happy with the trip.
Class Blanche has a good response so the trip will take place.
Cycle 3 will be attending “Les Sorciers de Noel” at the “Theatre des Sources”.
ECAs will begin shortly.

8. Daycare Report

Enrolment went up compared to the previous years. We have 72 regular students and 32 sporadic students.

9. P.P.O Report

None.

10. CPC/RPC
None

11. Varia
None

Motion to adjourn 7:45pm: 1st Laura Saragosa, 2nd Sandra Tartamella, unanimous

Prepared by Sandra Tartamella