

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting No. 2

Date: October 27, 2025

Time: 7:04 p.m. (Virtual)

Attendance

Present:

- Martina Schiavone – Principal
- Antonietta Scrocca – Vice Principal
- Vera Tronca – Teacher, SP
- Lisa Trotto – Teacher, SP
- Gaetano Orsini – Community Representative (Non-Profit)
- Nadia Marinotti – Senior Manager, North America Avon Call Center Operations ((Non-Profit)
- Linda Boudreau – Supervisor, Customer Service (Avon) (Business)
- Cynthia Pupil – Support Staff (replacing Luisa Moscardi)
- Ana Preto – Support Staff
- Ivan Rivas-Santamaria – Academic Student
- Anna Persichilli – Teacher, SP (replacement)
- Marilyn Damato – Teacher, Academic (replacement)

Regrets:

- Angelique Spiroulas-Balinakos – Academic Student (*trouble connecting*)
- Vito Di Cristo – Community Representative (Business) (*trouble connecting*)

2.1 Additions to Agenda

- None
- Agenda unanimously approved

2.2 Approval of Agenda

- Agenda unanimously approved

2.3 Approval of the minutes of September 29, 2025

- Edit the section of chairperson: *Nadia Marinotti*
- Remainder of minutes unanimously approved

2.4 Public Question Period

- No questions raised

2.5 Financial 2025-2026 – B & G

- Still waiting for the Board to release any funds (*currently in a negative of 5264\$*)
- There will be no spending for October
- Unanimously approved B & G Fund

2.6 Financial 2025-2026 – Fund 3

- In the month of October, money was spent on:
 - Motivational speaker (Chabad Life)
 - Uline (label guns for Thrift Shop)
 - Afro-Dancing Studio Accento (*SP dance prject*)
 - Prologue (*Academic books*)
 - Lafrenaie cakes at 872\$ - funded by Bugatti bags fundraising
 - Smoothies (SP project)
 - Culinary expenses
 - MTL Indigenous – raised money for this community
 - Transport Dynamo (2nd donation of Avon came out of Budget Boutique Fund)
 - Patulli Pizza in November coming up (Academic activity - funded by Bugatti bags fundraising)
 - Total: 5768\$
- Unanimously approved Fund 3

2.7 Resolution for Transfer of funds from Fund 3 to Fund 5 B&G

- Unanimously approved resolution

2.8 Principal's Report

a) Tutors for CCBE, Francization, Academic

- Sofia and Daniele will return for both day and evening classes contributing approximately 13-14 hours weekly starting this week
- Bruno will commence next week for Math classes and will contribute approximately 4 hours weekly
- Leah or Truly will perhaps be back for SP students and work on Art Therapy via student behaviors

b) AVON 2nd donation

- Last year donated 400 boxes / this year 350 boxes (*Marisa F and Lisa G spearheaded this initiative*)
- November 5th – opening Flash Sale from 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- Flash sale in gym soon to be announced to diminish some of the stock (in Nov. & Dec.)

c) Update on Emergency Preparedness – Fire Drill, Lockdown; Code Silver; Classroom Documentation; Office Staff Posts, Emergency Bags

- Everything has been successfully updated (vests, whistles, etc.)
- Drills are coming soon for classroom training until June
- First Aid Training: teachers encouraged to receive training and possibly be reimbursed by school (*if funding is available*)

d) EMSB student of the month: Ivan Santamaria

- Ivan was showcased at St. Pius during their Educational Fair: he was invited to their meeting and congratulated for his remarkable story and journey, and the accomplishments he has made so far. Excellent job, Ivan!

e) Update on school activities: SPVM workshops; We Work workshop; Halloween; IMAX SP Trip, Salon de l'immigration

- SPVM - Socio-community police officers visited twice:
 - a) once for SP students with establishing Healthy Relationships in both English and French;
 - b) and another visit to CCBE (Mr. Nick) and Francization (Ms. Rosanna's) students on alcohol and cannabis– driving under the influence of either alcohol or drugs: what does this mean for your driver's license? The police officers went through categories of different permits and had a simulation exercise for students by walking on a line wearing goggles (simulating a person who is impaired by alcohol or drugs). Students were engaged, expressed enthusiasm and asked many relevant questions.
- We Work workshop: based in downtown St. Catherine Street where academic students were given 1st hand knowledge on interviews from professionals in the field. They did some role-playing and were given great advice and learned the importance of networking and CV writing. Lunch was offered afterward.
- Halloween festivities: a fun-filled spooky week of activities from pumpkin decorating and announcing top three winners, to a Halloween dance in the gym with chips and water (donated), along with a photo booth and pumpkin-spiced lattes being sold by Academic students.

- IMAX SP Trip: 3 classes from SP (Vera, Lisa & Caroline) will be visiting IMAX at the Old Port of MTL. Access to their exhibitions (science-related) and IMAX movie dinosaurs. This outing was funded by the Bugatti Bags fundraiser.
- Salon de l'immigration: on October 29th, two evening classes (Tarik & Ronald) will be doing a tour with their Francization students.

2.9 Date of Next Meeting

- November 24, 2025

2.10 Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Chairperson – Governing Board

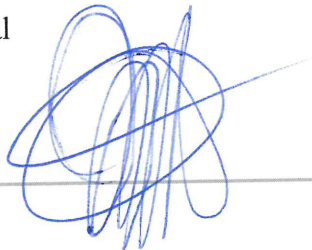
Date



Monday, November 24, 2025

Centre Principal

Date



Nov 24 / 2025
