



Governing Board MINUTES
Meeting No. 1
November 6, 2023, at 7:00 (via Teams)

Present:	Schiavone, Martina	Principal
	Scrocca, Antonietta	Vice Principal
	Tronca, Vera	Teacher, SI
	Mazzilli, Vanessa	Teacher, SI
	Preto, Ana	Support Staff
	Moscardi, Luisa	Support Staff
	Zerbino, Giancarlo	Community Non-Profit
	Orsina, Gaetano	Community Non-Profit
	Di Cristo, Vito	Community Business, Chair
Regrets:	Zerbino, Ricardo	Community Business
	Samanta Tarulli	Student Representative

1.3 Additions to the Agenda

- None

1.4 Approval of the Agenda

- Meeting began at 7:09 p.m.
- Moved and approved by Ana and Gaetano

1.5 Approval of the Minutes of June 26, 2023

- Moved and approved by Gaetano and Vera

1.6 Public Question Period

- None

1.7 Election of Chair

- Vito Di Cristo elected Chair
- Approved unanimously by all members

1.8 Election of Secretary

- Vanessa Mazzilli elected Secretary
- Vera Tronca and Luisa Moscardi as back-up secretaries
- Approved unanimously by all members

1.9 Selection of dates GB meeting

- Governing Board meetings will take place on:
 - December 11, 2023
 - January 22, 2024
 - February 26, 204
 - March 18, 2024
 - April 22, 2024
 - May 27, 2024
 - June 10, 2024 (may be earlier or cancelled, potentially in person meeting)
- Approved unanimously by all members

1.10 GB internal Procedures

- Internal procedure booklets were read and approved
- Only emails will be kept, no need for phone numbers
- All meetings will be virtual (at 7 pm) except the last meeting in June
- Potential meeting in person in June
- Approved unanimously by all members

1.11 Addition to the Galileo budget 2023-2024

- NTIC (technology) budget for Galileo is \$25,169
- Measure 15021 MEQ Tutoring for Galileo is \$45,000. Resolution Adopted for Measure 15021 of MEQ by the Centre's Governing Board
- The budget for this year is \$468, 885
- The expected spending is \$439,827
- Unanimously resolved to accept 2023-2024 budget additions for Galileo. Approved by Luisa and Gaetano

1.12 Financial 2023-2024 - B&G-Fund 5-refer to chart

- The budget for 2023-2024 is \$32,541
- This budget applies to snow removal, building maintenance and supplies for caretaking
- From this budget, \$448.39 was spent in August, \$737.03 in September and \$292.01 in October for caretaker's clothing and shoes. Refer to chart
- Mrs. Schiavone present the spending in Fund 5
- Spending approved by Vera and Vanessa

1.13 Financial 2023-2024 - Fund 3- refer to chart

- This budget applies to students: activities, services, books, field trips, supplies, workshops etc.
- August spending on school agenda for students
- September spending on CCBE and academic books, apple picking trip and bus, SI cooking program (food), Beaver Tail welcome back event, tote bags for students
- October spending on apple picking & bus on 2nd group of students, student dictionaries, SI cooking program (food), Karate Autism program for SI students, pizza kits for fundraiser, thanksgiving apple pies for students
- Mrs. Schiavone present the spending listed Unanimously resolved to accept the spending in Fund 3
- Spending approved by Luisa and Giancarlo

1.14 Galileo Field Trips for 2023-2024

- 3 major school trips planned for this year: apple picking, cabane a sucre and maybe a trip in June
- Teachers are also permitted to organize class trips with admin approval depending on cost, date, and place
- Students choose to attend or not attend for they are adults.
- Student under 18 years old must get approval from their parent/guardian, they will sign the form
- Approved by Luisa and Gaetano

1.15 Galileo Fundraisers

- Two fundraisers so far: Pizza Kits and Bowling
- Pizza kits: 144 kits sold; profit was \$1700
- Bowling fundraiser taking place on November 25th
- Due to the potential strike, not sure what is happening with the Bowling Fundraiser. Once more information is received, an email will be sent.
- Approved by Giancarlo and Gaetano

1.16 Principal Report

a. Strike Update

- November 6th - Strike # 1 until 10:30 am
- No disruption to students
- Most academics students came, no CCBE students
- Next potential strike: November 21, 22 & 23

b. Galileo's new program *Francization*

- Free French classes offered (by the government MIFI) to anyone living in Quebec
- MIFI control the registration list for all schools
- Three classes to date have begun at Galileo:
 - 8:30 am - 12:30 pm; 1 pm - 3 pm Monday to Friday
 - 5 pm - 9 pm (started October 30) Monday to Thursday
 - Rooms are full
 - More students = more funding

c. Update on Renovation Projects: *Mesure P-2107*

- 2nd floor Kitchen and 2nd floor south bathroom renovations to begin in February 2024
- EMSB in charge of the project

d. Galileo Tutors

- Three tutors have been hired: Daniele, Sofia and Laura
- Sofia and Laura are full time students, so their schedule is flexible
- They help CCBE and academic students, teachers with exams

e. Special Olympics Quebec at Galileo

- First Adult Centre in EMSB to have the Special Olympics program for our SI students
- McGill Nurses will teach health in October & November (4 Tuesdays - lessons are on the brain, nutrition, skin, and the heart and lungs)
- Free services offered to students; free dental screening (just passed in October) and physiotherapy screening (March 2024)

f. Autism Karate at Galileo—André Langevin

- André is back at Galileo on Fridays from 9-11 until the end of January
- Activity is funded by parliament members, therefore Karate is free
- Students payed \$20 for their shirts

g. Les Grands Ballets Canadiens de Montréal--Angélique Dumet-Kerherno

- Every Wednesday until December 13th
- Contract is from September to December
- Dance/ballet show on December 13
- Not all students participate, only those who want to
- Hope to get government funding to continue in January 2024

h. Staff Update

- Total: 75 staff members
- 7 support staff
- 4 caretakers
- 5 teachers (CCBE daytime) 7 teachers (CCBE evening)
- 5 academics
- 3 francization
- 5 community teachers
- 30 special needs (facilitators and teachers)
- 1 Academic advisor
- 1 educational consultant

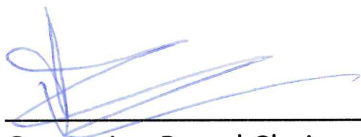
- i. **Update on Fall session - August 28, 2023 to November 30, 2023**
 - 300 students in fall
- j. **Update on the Winter session –December 4, 2023 to March 21, 2024**
 - No students yet (registration in progress)
- k. **Flex Space at Galileo – Specialize tables and technology**
 - Making class spaces more flexible (benches, couches, tables, etc.)
 - Make it feel more like a home environment
 - CCBE and academics first to receive specialized furniture
 - Ordered: 61 tables (\$20 000 total) - 6–8-week delivery
 - New teacher desks (7 ordered), arrived this week
 - 17 new speakers for smartboards
 - These items will help teachers be more effective and will improve students learning.
- l. **Update on Emergency Preparedness—Fire Drill, Lock Down**
 - Lock down = intruder outside
 - Code silver = intruder inside
 - Fire drill = fire
 - Already practiced 1 fire drill this year
 - Lockdown and code silver will be practiced once every 2 months.

1.17 Date of next meeting

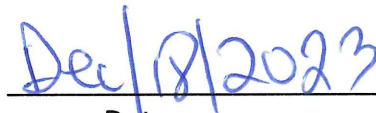
- December 11, 2023

1.18 Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm by Gaetano and Vanessa



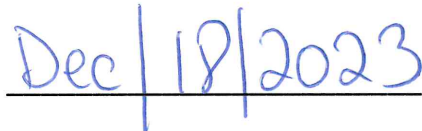
Governing Board Chairperson



Date



Centre Principal



Date