



**Laval Senior Academy
Governing Board Minutes
Tuesday, March 10, 2020**

Present: Jimmy Abraham, Suzanne Brazau, James Cordeiro-Pereira, Dominic Di Stefano, Noura Helal, Douglas Howarth, Effie Kontakos, Ailsa Pehi, Elena Scalzo, Palmina Ioannone - Substitute member replacing
Community Representative: Katrina Driver Student Council President: Francesco Renda
Principal: Natalie Rollin Vice-Principals: Sonia Garofalo and Melissa Rioux

Regrets: Tony Beliotis, Alex Bon-Miller, Donald Cookson, Geoff Cowley, Franco De Luca, Maria Gaitanis, Karine Mainguy, Vice-Principal: Vicki Krawczyk

1.0 Opening of the meeting / Quorum: The meeting was called to order by Jimmy Abraham at 7:05 pm.

2.0 Adoption of Agenda: No additions.

*LSA-GB100320-01: Ailsa Pehi motioned to approve the agenda, Dominic Di Stefano seconded, unanimous.
Motion carried*

3.0 Acceptance of Minutes of January 21, 2020: No amendments were made.

*LSA-GB100320-02: Elena Scalzo motioned to approve the Minutes of January 21, 2020, Suzanne Brazau seconded, unanimous.
Motion carried*

4.0 Ratification of E-votes:

4.1 E-vote February 17, 2020 - JFK Carnival Day February 20, 2020:

There will be 10 Sec. 4 and 5 students going to JFK to help on their Carnival Day. No cost to students.

*LSA-GB170220-EV01: Dominic Di Stefano motioned for the Laval Senior Academy Governing Board to approve the outing for 10 students to volunteer at the JFK Carnival Day on February 17, 2020, Suzanne Brazau seconded, 11 in favour, 1 against and 4 abstentions.
Motion carried*

4.2 E-vote February 17, 2020 - Tubing Mont Avila March 9, 2020: Open to Sec. 3 and Sec. 4 students.

All day. Transportation by school bus. No cost to the students but expenses, \$34.33 per student, will be covered by the Measures.

*LSA-GB170220-EV02: Dominic Di Stefano motioned for the Laval Senior Academy Governing Board to approve the tubing field trip to Mont Avila on March 9, 2020, Suzanne Brazau seconded, 12 in favour and 4 abstentions.
Motion carried*

4.3 E-vote February 17, 2020 – Quebec Wandake March 16, 2020: Open to Sec. 3 students. Transportation by Coach bus. No cost to the students but expenses, \$51.50 per student, will be covered by the Measures. Objective is to teach the students the First Nation daily foods in link with the French theme La Planete Dans Mon Assiette.

*LSA-GB170220-EV03: Dominic Di Stefano motioned for the Laval Senior Academy Governing Board to approve the field trip to Wandake on March 16, 2020, Suzanne Brazau seconded, 12 in favour and 4 abstentions.
Motion carried*



4.4 E-vote February 17, 2020 – Cabane à Sucre Constantin – April 7, 2020: Open to Sec. 5 students. Transportation by school bus. No cost to the students but expenses, \$25 per student, will be covered by the Measures. Time from 9:45 am to 2:45pm.

LSA-GB170220-EV04: Dominic Di Stefano motioned for the Laval Senior Academy Governing Board to approve the field trip to Cabane à Sucre Constantin on April 7, 2020, Suzanne Brazau seconded, 12 in favour and 4 abstentions. Motion carried

5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes:

5.1 Resignation of parent members from Governing Board: The Laval Senior Academy Governing Board has the power to vote to replace parent members that have resigned as per the Education Act (EA, 55). The Governing Board decides by including the procedures in their Internal Rules of Procedures. We will make amendments and will be reviewed for the next meeting.

6.0 Question Period from the Public: None.

7.0 New Business: None.

7.1 Consultation – Budget Building 2020 – 2021: The Budget Building was reviewed, discussed and a response completed to be submitted. By consensus the committee agreed to the response submitted.

7.2 Consultation– Criteria for Selection of a Principal 2020-2021: The Criteria for a Selection of a Principal (generic) and the LSA Response 2019-2020 Criteria for the Selection of a Principal was emailed to all members. The members discussed keeping the same response for the as last year, thus status quo.

LSA-GB100320-03: James Cordeiro-Pereira motioned for the Laval Senior Academy Governing Board to approve the Criteria for a Selection of a Principal for 2020-2021as proposed, maintaining status quo for the criteria list and resubmit the response presented, Suzanne Brazau seconded, unanimous. Motion carried

8.0 Field Trips

8.1 Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital on March 31, 2020: For Sec. 4 and Sec. 5 students (Science classes). For students interested in health care profession and to look at careers such as Occupational Therapy (OT) and Speech Therapy. No cost to students. The hospital is within walking distance so no transportation is required. Approximately 20 students, 2 supervisors and Agape Parent Association involved.

LSA-GB100320-04: Suzanne Brazau motioned for the Laval Senior Academy Governing Board to approve the field trip to the Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital on March 31, 2020, Domenic Di Stefano seconded, unanimous. Motion carried

8.2 Science Space Program: To present to students in auditorium Canada's role in space flight. Students will be released from Period 4 classes. Cost is \$325.

LSA-GB100320-05: James Cordeiro-Pereira motioned for the Laval Senior Academy Governing Board to approve the presentation on Canada's Role in Space Flight at a cost of \$325 and to release the students from class to attend the presentation, Noura Helal seconded, unanimous. Motion carried



9.0 Rentals: Monies made from the rentals is for the school.

9.1 Dojo Karate: Dojo Karate rental of a classroom for karate from January 14, 2020 to June 19, 2020 for \$1,034.78.

LSA-GB100320-06: Elena Scalzo motioned to approve the Dojo Karate rental of a classroom for karate from January 14, 2020 to June 19, 2020 for \$1,034.78, Effie Kontakos seconded, unanimous.

Motion carried

9.2 Dojo Karate Dojo Karate rental of a classroom for karate on February 26, 2020 for \$45.99.

LSA-GB100320-07: Elena Scalzo motioned to approve the Dojo Karate rental of a classroom on February 26, 2020 for \$45.99, Effie Kontakos seconded, unanimous.

Motion carried

9.3 Language Classes: Rental of a classroom for Language classes from February 2, 2020 to May 31, 2020, for \$3,219.30

LSA-GB100320-08: Elena Scalzo motioned to approve the rental of a classroom for language classes from February 2, 2020 to May 31, 2020 for \$3,219.30, Effie Kontakos seconded, unanimous.

Motion carried

9.4 Yoga: Rental of a classroom for Yoga classes from January 27, 2020 to April 20, 2020 on Mondays 7-8pm for \$275.94.

LSA-GB100320-09: Elena Scalzo motioned to approve the rental of a classroom for Yoga classes from January 27, 2020 to April 20, 2020 on Mondays 7-8pm for \$275.94, Effie Kontakos seconded, unanimous.

Motion carried

9.5 Basketball Laval: Rental of a gyms 1 and 2 for basketball camp from March 2, 2020 to March 6, 2020, for \$2,100.00.

LSA-GB100320-10: Elena Scalzo motioned to approve the Basket Laval rental of gyms 1 and 2 for basket camp from March 2, 2020 to March 6, 2020 for \$1,200.00, Effie Kontakos seconded, unanimous.

Motion carried

10.0 Fundraisers: None.

11.0 School Activities: In Student Council's report.

- ABAV presentation on April 2, 2020 by Alain Peletier. Expenses paid from the ABAV Measure.

LSA-GB100320-11: Domenic Di Stefano motioned to approve the Anti-Bullying Anti-Violence (ABAV) presentation scheduled for April 2, 2020, James Cordeiro-Pereira seconded, unanimous.

Motion carried

12.0 Reports:

12.1 Chairperson's Report / Correspondence: None.

12.2 Principal's Report:

- About 400 people attended Pasta Night in January and raised \$2000. Monies were allocated equally to Benevole de Laval (\$1,000) and for the sound system in the cafeteria (\$1,000). Participation of parents and families made a difference. Thank you to all and the Palmina family.
- Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week – students contributed and PPO helped out.
- There were two Guidance Counsellor assemblies that were well received and positive feedback given.



- Perseverance Week February 17. Recognition of people that helped you succeed. Photos were taken with staff and students.
- Parent Teacher Night February 20.
- Blue and Gold Revue February 21 and February 22.
- Europe Trip to Italy was cancelled for the safety and security of students and staff because of COVID-19 and the situation in Italy. There was a risk of being quarantined for 14 days in another country. Rescheduling at a later date was not an option because of the Ministry exams in April and May. Rerouting the trip was also not an option because the tour company was not able to guarantee the group would remain together. The students will be reimbursed for the trip.
- Embracing Diversity workshop for parents and staff on March 30, 2020.
- Last day of school will be June 9, 2020.

Motion to extend the meeting:

At 9:00 pm, a motion was needed to extend the meeting an additional 15 minutes.

LSA-GB100320-12: Effie Kontakos motioned to extend the meeting an additional 15 minutes, Suzanne Brazau seconded, unanimous. Motion carried

12.3 Parents' Committee Report:

- Bill 40 – in consultation and more information will follow.
- At PC, there will be a lot of tools and training from now until November to prepare parents for the elections.
- Parents on Governing Boards will be eligible to be on the school center's Board of Directors.
- Next Parents' Committee meeting April 2, 2020.

12.4 Teacher Council Report: None.

12.5 PPO Report: None.

12.6 Student Council Report: Report given by Francesco Renda, President of Student Council.

- Pasta Night a success in January.
- February recap - Valentine's Day Bake sale and Heart & Stroke Foundation.
- Black History Month – planned fun activities. Educational and worked with Katrina Word Up.
- Made a wall with positive messages placed on it.
- March – Krispy Kreme
- St. Patrick's Day will have a cupcake sale.
- Salam Benoit presentation delayed.

12.7 CLC Report:

- Workshops:
 - Recontre Théâtre Ados (RTA): 8 in-class weekly sessions (lunch hour).
 - Writer Workshop Series – Lori Weber: 3 classes with 3 sessions each.
 - Orchestre Symphonique de Laval (OSL): 2 class offerings with a music conductor.
 - Black History and Culture – Deanna Smith: 6 classes with 2-3 sessions each. (Artists Inspire Grant).
 - Anorexia & Bulimia Quebec (ANEB): 2 class offerings. (Écoles Inspirante Mesure).
- Programs:
 - Music Therapy Practicum – Mariah Blaine-Longo: 6 individual and 4 groups.



- Initiatives:
 - Hooked on School Days (February 17-21): Mindfulness Moment -VIVA Wellness, photo booth, welcome cheer squad.
 - Ile lfe African Studies Collection: Book selection and acquisition. Profile and launch CBC Radio Mike Finnety Daybreak Morning Show.
 - {Wurd} Up- Community Literacy: Launch February 20. Next on March 27 Zero Waste and upcoming April 22 and May 28.

13.0 Varia: None

14.0 Questions from the Public: None.

15.0 Date of the Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at 7 pm.

16.0 Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

LSA-GB100320-13: James Cordeiro-Pereira motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm, Suzanne Brazau seconded, unanimous.

Motion carried

Jimmy Abraham
LSA Chairperson

Effie Kontakos
LSA Secretary