

Marymount Academy International

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Marymount Academy International Governing Board Meeting 2 – November 19th, 2024

In Attendance: James Fequet, Amanda Foster, Sophie Antippa, Peter Arnold, Stacey Blumer, Ahmed Altalibi, Chelsea Craig, Stephanie Kyle, Naomi Balardelle, Jihyo Lee, Simeon Pompey

In Absentia: Katherine Korakakis, Mark Venema, Matheo Moran, Jayson Stiehl

1. Welcome

- Meeting started at 7:10 pm in person.
- Introductions of new and returning members of governing board 2023-2024 and from meeting #1.

2. Approval of Agenda – Agenda moved by Ahmed Altalibi and seconded by Stacey Blumer.

3. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes – Amendments moved by Stephanie Kyle and seconded by Sophie Anitppa.

- 3.1 Amendment 1: point 7.1, bullet 1-2, “60 students left...” to “*Approximately* 60 students left...”
- 3.2 Amendment 2: point 7.1, bullet 6-1, FSL tutor name is Ms. Kadesha.
- 3.3 Amendment 3: point 7.1, bullet 6-3, math/science tutor name is Mr. Justin Cuffaro.

4. Business Arising from Minutes

4.1 N/A

5. Question Period

5.1 N/A

6. Reports

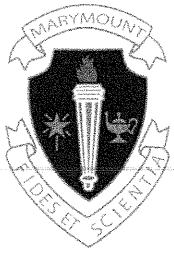
6.1 Principal’s Report

6.1.1 Candidate for new IB coordinator hired at Marymount Academy: **Mr. David Lee**

6.1.1.1 Start date: TBD.

6.1.1.2 Mr. Lee is currently an administrator at Gerald McShane and a former IB MYP Math teacher at Marymount. Mr. Lee’s experience at the school, with IB, and his knowledge on the education system is sure to be an invaluable asset.

6.1.2 Educational Project: Students to complete survey in coming weeks with an update to be provided by the end of January 2025.



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6.1.3 Recent Teacher Professional Developments:

6.1.3.1 Nov. 8th: First-Aid Training Course. This PD was not a certification process, but rather a training program to give school workers the tools, the know-how, and confidence to help a student in distress and/or how to handle an emergency situation involving students.

6.1.3.2 Nov. 8th: ASD Consultation presentation at the Marymount School Library by Maria-Niki Bartzakos. New Marymount school consultant to support ASD students: **Assia Badat**.

6.1.3.3 Upcoming PD: Nov. 22nd workshops will take place for teachers both online and in-person.

6.1.3.3.1 In-person workshop will consist of RTI (Response-To-Intervention) conference organized by neighboring school with speaker from *Solution Tree*.

6.1.3.3.2 Online workshops organized by PED services.

6.1.4 Upcoming and past school trips:

6.1.4.1 Approximately 50 students in the school's music program were treated to a performance at the OSM on Nov. 6th. The show was a Latin American Escapade with *Rafael Payare*.

6.1.4.2 Secondary 3: Level field trip where students enjoyed interactive treetop activities at Arbraska Mont-Saint-Gregoire on Oct. 24th.

6.1.4.3 Secondary 1: Visit to the Montreal Science Centre will be held on Nov. 27th.

6.1.5 Sports Update:

6.1.5.1 Juvenile Girls Volleyball won 1st place in their GMAA division for Marymount. The team came short in the semifinal round, but this accomplishment was a historic best for the team's volleyball team. The tournament was hosted by Marymount Academy on Nov. 12th.

6.1.5.2 Yearly fencing program organized by Mr. Bunn (Phys. Ed. Teacher at Marymount) has begun and is taking place on Fridays after school. The program is expected to run for 6 weeks.

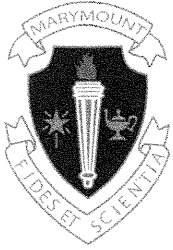
6.2 Teacher's Report

6.2.1 Graduation trip expected dates: April 29th – May 2nd

6.2.1.1 Niagara Falls & Toronto: Sightseeing, CN Tower, ROM visit, Aquarium Visit, Sports game attendance.

6.2.1.2 Currently looking into suitable travel agent.

6.2.2 Shakespeare Play on Nov. 28th: *A Midsummer Night's Dream* to be presented for students in all levels.

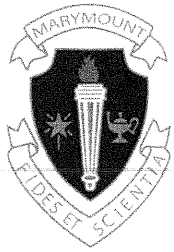


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- 6.3 Commissioner's Report
- 6.3.1 New Commissioner: **Chelsea Craig**
 - 6.3.2 Swearing-in ceremony held on Nov. 13th. Upcoming Meeting in December.
 - 6.3.3 Email address to reach out to: ccraig2@emsb.qc.ca
- 6.4 Regional Delegate's Report
- 6.4.1 N/A (Not Present)
- 6.5 Community Representatives Report
- 6.5.1 Discussion regarding some of the needs that the community representative intends to serve.
 - 6.5.2 Community centres in service: Walkley Community Centre, Loyola Community Centre (Jeunesse-Loyola), West Haven. Role is to provide help for members of the community, including immigrant families that are new to the community.
 - 6.5.3 Community representative is also part of Prevention CDN-NDG, a community organization that works to address issues that youth face.
 - 6.5.4 Student-for-a-day program at Dawson College exists. If students are interested, they can arrange for a release from the school (including on PED days) to get the experience.
- 6.6 Students' Report
- 6.6.1 Planning for a Library Study Café where hot chocolate and snacks can be served to students. Fundraiser proceeds would go to Student Council.
 - 6.6.2 Planning for ELEVATE Dance Festival (after school) within first two weeks of December.
 - 6.6.3 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament still under planning phase.
 - 6.6.4 Suggestion by fellow governing board members: Student report may be moved up the agenda list depending on the nature of the GB discussion and/or if the student representatives have a test/assignment they must complete which would necessitate their early dismissal from the meeting.
7. **New Business**
- 7.1 Approval – Governing Board Internal Rules of Operation
 - Moved by Stacey Blumer and seconded by Naomi Balardelle
 - All in favour.
 - 7.2 Varia
 - N/A



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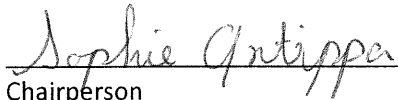
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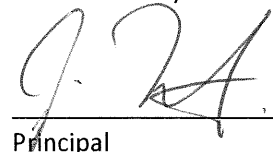


8. **Date of Next Meeting**

8.1 Tuesday December 10th, 2024

Adjournment – 8:32 PM - Moved by Stacey Blumer and seconded by Peter Arnold.


Chairperson


Principal