

# Marymount Academy International

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## Marymount Academy International Governing Board

Meeting 1 – October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### In attendance:

Sophie Antippa, Peter Arnold, Naomi Balardelle, Stacey Blumer, James Fequet, Stephanie Kyle, Sabrina Lawrence, Annette MacIntyre, Yasmin Qadri

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### In absentia:

Chelsea Craig, Fran Patterson, Simeon Pompey

#### 1. Welcome

- Meeting started at 7:04pm in-person and everyone introduced themselves

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

- Motioned by Stacey Blumer, seconded by Peter Arnold, unanimously approved

#### 3. 2025-26 Governing Board Elections

- Election – chairperson – Naomi Balardelle, acclaimed
- Election – treasurer – Yasmin Qadri, acclaimed
- Election – secretary – Annette MacIntyre, acclaimed
- Nomination – community representative – Simeon Pompey, acclaimed in absentia

#### 4. Approval of Minutes

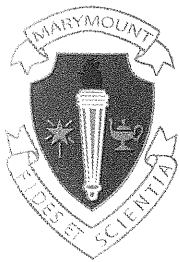
- Regular meeting, June 19, 2025 – motioned by Stacey Blumer, seconded by Sophie Antippa, carried by those present at the last meeting

#### 5. Business Arising from Minutes

- No Business Arising

#### 6. Question period

- No questions
- James Fequet clarified that this item is to bring forth appropriate questions from the public, students or members of staff



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## 7. Reports

### 7.1 Principal's Report

- **Enrollment and class sizes.** Population for 2025-26 school year at 420 students. Due to Ministerial changes to enforcement of subject promotion rules, Sec 4 and 5 classes are oversized, some up to 38 students per class.
- **Staffing.** Two new teachers, one for Math and Science, another for English and French, will be added to the staff, allowing some classes to be split into more manageable group sizes. IB coordinator position is still unstaffed due to the new hire being on leave; hoping to have someone in the position in November. Katie Leggit, a former spiritual animator, has been hired to replace Jayson Stiell as the ECA coordinator.
- **Renovations.** Renovations of ceiling, electrical and roof are almost finished.
- **Budget.** EMSB budget currently being approved by Ministry. This is usually done in the spring. Schools are expected to face 20% cuts, meaning an approximate \$120 000 loss of the approximately \$600,000 budget (based on last year's numbers). Until further notice, schools are only permitted to spend ¼ of their regular budget.
- **School fees.** Online payment is now an option for paying school fees. This option is hoped to recoup some of the \$15,000 - \$25, 000 in yearly unpaid parent fees.

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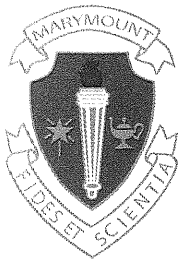
### 7.2 Teachers' Report

- Hallowe'en activities are planned. \$2 donation to dress up and \$1 donation to enter the haunted house being created by the Leadership Club.
- Stacey Blumer is hosting a master sailor from the Memory Project as well as a Memorial Day celebration.
- Peter Arnold's bistro is 85% complete, which will be used as a special learning space for the Contemporary World program.
- IEP meetings and updates are being completed this week.
- Student council has been formed in acclamation. Students wanted everyone who expressed an interest to have a role, so they will be taking a cooperative approach to creating a council team.

### 7.3 Commissioner's Report

- No report

### 7.4 Regional Delegate's Report



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- No report as no meeting has yet been held this year. Yasmine Qadri is the representative.

## 7.5 Community Representatives' Report

- No report

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## 8. New Business

**8.1 Approval** – Governing Board meeting dates and locations submitted by James Fequet, motioned by Stacey Blumer, seconded by Peter Arnold, unanimously approved.

**8.2 Approval** – Motion to approve local daytime outings for the school year submitted by James Fequet, motioned by Sophie Antippa, seconded by Yasmine Qadri, unanimously approved. James Fequet clarified that any overnight trips would be submitted to Governing Board for approval.

**8.3 Review** – Governing Board Code of Conduct and Internal Rules submitted by James Fequet, motioned by Stacey Blumer, seconded by Peter Arnold, unanimously approved.

### 8.4 Varia

**8.4.1 School uniforms / weather.** Sabrina Lawrence enquired whether students would be permitted to wear non-uniform sweaters until the heat was turned on. James Fequet confirmed that it would be permitted, and that an announcement would be made next week unless the heat is turned on in the meantime.

**9. Date of Next meeting.** November 25, 7pm, library.

**10. Adjournment** – 8:11pm. Motioned by Peter Arnold, seconded by Naomi Balardelle, unanimously approved.

James Fequet, Principal

Naomi Balardelle, Chairperson