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Genesis Elementary School
Home and School Association
2450 rue Rosemere
Laval, Qc, H7E 2J8



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**Genesis Home & School Meeting Held on
May 10th, 2016**

MINUTES

Presence:

ALICANDRO, Lucia
ANOBILE, Rosanna
ASQUINO, Carolina
BADOLATO, Virginia
BEAULIEU, Julie
BRESCIA, Josie
BRUNET, Anick
CATALANI, Anita
IACONETTI, Sandra

MARIANI, Etta
MARINELLI, Patty (Co-Chair)
MARTINO, Rosie (Treasurer)
NEVEU, Lynn (Principal)
PADUANO, Terri (Secretary)
PISEGNA, Sandra
PIVETTA, Sonia
RICCIUTTO, Antonella
ROSATO, Tina (Chairperson)

RUZZA, Sonia
SANCHEZ, Macarena
SANTAMARIA, Anna
SARNO, Nadia
SPEZIO, Maria
TAWIL, Lydia

Adoption of the Agenda:

Motion to adopt the agenda for May 10th, 2016 with the following corrections:

- Add **Mme Marie-Josée Proposal for Phys-Ed Equipment** under New Business
- Add **Aide-Devoir/Homework Program Proposal** under New Business

Motioned by: Maria Spezio Seconded by: Rosanna Anobile All in favour

Adoption of the Minutes:

Motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on April 12th, 2016 with the following corrections.

- Under Principal's Report: We won **\$600.00** and with this money we purchased 25 pairs of snowshoes.

Motioned by: Rosie Martino Seconded by: Anick Brunet All in favour

Business arising from previous meetings:

- **Earth Day Activity:** Tina Rosato said that the activity was a big success. The kids loved it and their work was displayed at the entrance of the school. Of the \$60.00 allocated to buy supplies for this activity only \$32.00 was spent so the remainder of the funds will go back into the account.
- **Secretary's Day (April 27th):** Ms. Carmie and Ms. Denyse received gifts from HandS such as a book, Tim Horton's gift card, a place mat, a personalized book mark made by our own HandS member Julie Beaulieu.



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- **Principal's Day (May 1st):** Ms. Neveu received a sunshine basket filled with lots of goodies such as a wine bottle, a personalized book mark, a container with messages of love for her kids. Anita Catalani put the basket together and it was beautiful. There was also a box filled with notes from the students.
- A big thank you to everyone who helped. Also a big thanks to Patty Marinelli's cousin, Eric Iacampo, who is a chef and came in to prepare a meal for Ms. Carmie, Ms. Denyse and Ms. Neveu.
- **Mother's Day Breakfast-May 5th, 2016:** Thanks to everyone who came to the breakfast. We raised a lot of money for this great cause.

Guests: None

REPORTS

a) Chairperson:

- The AGM Meeting which took place on April 30th, 2016 went well. Tina Rosato went during the day and said it was very interesting. They spoke about the Bill 86 Resolution. The Federation rejected the bill and demands that the government withdraws it. Because we want to have the right to control and manage our institutions as per the Constitution Act of 1982 which confers to minority language educational rights. Also, in the evening, Josie Brescia and Sandra Pisegna attended the banquet. They said it was very nice.
- Tina Rosato said that the fundraising committee is looking into different chocolate companies for next year's fundraiser.

b) Treasurer:

- Total funds available are **\$5 840.00**

c) Principal:

- Ms. Neveu thanked HandS for the gift she received on Principal's Day.
- Litterless lunches were successful and the composting is going well.
- The Earth Day Movie was educational and entertaining.
- The Peter Pan Play was a success.
- The Mother's Day Breakfast went well and thanks to everyone who helped.
- The I Love to Read Week activities were great. Pictures were on Facebook and the decorations around the school were very nice.
- Denim Day was today, thanks for your generosity.
- La Course des Pompiers will take place on Sunday, June 5th, 2016. For every student from the school that participates \$5.00 goes back to the school.
- A social skills program for grades 1-2-3 started at the school. It is a center in the West Island which comes to the school on Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch time.



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- Ms. Dimitra started a Girls' Group for Grade 1 on Mondays at lunchtime.
- Vaccinations for Grade 4 went well. Thanks to all the volunteers.
- School Board agreed that the landscaping and the planting of perennials on the island in the school yard is fine but who will take care of it. We have to figure out the logistics so Patty Marinelli will organize a meeting with the Gardening Club before the June meeting and will give us some feedback.
- Ms. Neveu spoke with Angelo Iacono's assistant about receiving a school grant. She will get back to her.
- Ms. Neveu will ask the SWLSB foundation for funds for the school in September so we can fix the lines and patch up the asphalt in the school yard. She will also speak with Paolo Galati.
- Thursday, June 16th will be the Volunteer Tea.

d) Governing Board Liaison:

- Refer to minutes on the Genesis School Website.

e) Committees

- **Fundraising Committees:** Committee will meet after HandS meeting to discuss fundraisers for next year.
 - **Zumba Fundraiser:** Lucia Alicandro reported that a profit of \$1092.00 was made for Zumba this year. The last Zumba class was very successful, children were allowed to attend. It was suggested to have a Zumba trial day with kids next September.
 - **TCBY Fundraiser:** Sandy Di Fruscia and Pina Di Luca were absent. All is going well.
- **École en Santé/Healthy Approach Committee:** Tania Siconolfi was absent but it was reported that last Friday's activity had a good turnout. They played soccer, free play, skipping rope, and kin ball. No other activities are planned for the remainder of the school year other than la Course des Pompiers which will take place on Sunday, June 5th, 2016.
- **Holiday Decorating Committee:** Sandra Pisegna reported that the decorations for I Love to Read Week will stay up for now.
- **Graduation Committee:** Maria Spezio reported that all is going well. The invites were sent out and the next grad meeting will take place on May 31st, 2016.
- **Fun Day Committee:** Anita Catalani and Anna Santamaria reported that the next meeting will be sometime next week either May 16th or May 17th. Fun Day will take place on Wednesday, June 22nd and if it rains then it will be on Thursday, June 23rd. There is a lot of fine tuning going on right now. There will be zones instead of stations on Fun Day. They are working with MIRA Amusement and they are giving us the



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inflatables for free from 4-6 p.m. so the committee is thinking of having a fundraiser at that time. As of now, they are under budget, so that is good.

- **Garden Club Committee:** They will propose the idea to transform the island to the staff and have an online vote for funds, if needed. They would like to start this project on Victoria Day weekend. They would like to plant gardens in the back of the school so if anyone has hostas and perennials to give please contact any of the Garden Club members to arrange for the pickup.
- **Choir Club Committee:** There will be a Choir Club/Italian Concert on Wednesday, June 8th, 2016, tentatively.

New Business:

- **End of the Year HandS Social Dinner:** Tina Rosato reported that the dinner will take place on Thursday, June 9th, 2016. We need at least 25 people in order for it to take place. The cost is \$30.00 cash per person.
- **Mme Marie-Josée Proposal for Phys-ed Equipment:** She would like to buy two Ballon de Soccer Cellulaire (\$24.99 each) and Balles de jonglerie ensemble de 12 (\$49.99 each) and Anneaux de jonglerie ensemble de 12 (\$34.99 each) Maria Spezio motions to allocate \$200.00 to phys-ed to purchase these items. Sandra Pisegna seconds. All in favour. Motion passed.
- **Aide-Devoir/Homework Program:** Anick Brunet spoke about having a Homework Program at school to help children with their homework. The idea was discussed, and it was agreed that more information would be needed before HandS allocate any funds to the project. Tabled

Varia:

- None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

Motioned by: Rosie Martino

All in favour

Next Meeting: June 14th, 2016