Sunshine Academy Governing Board February 1st 2024 Minutes

Presence: Leah Lobaton, Daniel Maag, Richard Frazao, Valerie Barbet, Ritu Srivastava, Richard Aisenthal, Melanie Rossy, Elise Gagnon, Kristopher Pichovich, Sheri Carlson, Barbara Galvao, Camille, Joey Stallone, Rishi Kumar, Vincent de Ruisseau,

1. Call to Order with Land Acknowledgement - Read by Richard Frazao

2. Approval of the Agenda MTA: Leah Seconded by Vincent

3. Business Arising:

3.1 Approval of Minutes from December - Originally approved \$5.00 per pasta lunch each week, and that is not what was sent out to parents. Discrepancy between what was approved and what was charged. MTA by Vincent and Richard seconded.

3.2 Approval of Minutes from November - MTA Richard, seconded by Camille.

- 4. Question Period from Public
- 5. Correspondence
 - 5.1 Budget Consultation Plan from LBPSB response due March 28th 2024
 - 5.2 Selection criteria for administrative staffing response due March 15th 2024.
 - 5.3 Policy on School Daycare and Lunch Program
 - 5.4 Policy on School Fees

5.5 Presentation from GRAME guest, Elise Gagnon: *Program starting in the spring, green initiative that includes planting more plants.* Solve some issues like flooding in the school yard. Mentioned in the meeting strength and weaknesses of our school yard and what we can do to further improve it. What can we put in place to create shade, and more play areas. A plan was drawn up considering all of the complaints and recommendations made by staff members and governing board members.

6. New Business:

6.1 Seed Budget - Runs a bit differently from the school budget as it includes salaries. Up 12 students from last year. Material fees is vastly different as the school board does not manage material money from the schools anymore. Activities being brought in on ped days which is added to the budget. Doing a lot of work to get daycare out of its large debt inherited from previous years. MTA: Richard, seconded by Vincent. All in favor.

6.2 Home and School - Asking for \$20 per member suggested. Allows for voting rights. Can carry over money from previous years and have our own bank account. MTA: Richard and seconded by Leah. All in favour.

6.3 Craft Fair with raffle - April 13th. Outside vendors are very interested in coming back again. MTA: Richard and seconded by Leah. 1 obstention and 9 in favour.

6.4 Scholastic Book Fair - April 8th to 19th. *Teachers can sign up for a time slot when then can bring their classes to the library. Details to be finalizes with staff council. MTA: Richard seconded by Kris 10 in favour.*

6.5 Ice Cream Truck -June 6th - *Run by PPO and paid for by PPO. Nut free and being offered at lunch time MTA: 8 in favour.*

6.6 Honey Sale (10\$ per 130g pot) Feb2nd - Feb 12: Sent home through a google form on social media and through email. Feb 13 and 14th the students in the Bee Club will go from class to class to distribute the honey and collect money. MTA: Richard 9 in favour.

7. Field trips

7.1 St-Thomas school play, grades 4,5,6 (15\$ per child) - *March 22nd 8:45-12:30 MTA: Richard, All in favour.*

8. Reports:

8.1 Principal : Feb 26th - March 1st to fix the staff appreciation and carnival week dates. Governement has offered \$20,000 for "catch" up strike money. Teachers will offer academic help to small groups. Anything being offered over March break will happen by Zoom. Report cards will be delayed now to Feb 29th. Parent teacher Interviews are delayed to March 14th. IEPs will be delayed and relased the same time as report cards.

8.2 Teachers - Cross country skiing is going really well in phys ed. 35 skates have been donated from the West Island community.

8.3 Support staff
8.4 PPO
8.5 Seed - Workshops coming up during the Ped days
8.6 Region 2 report - Still looking for a parent alternate.
8.7 Commissioner

9. Varia - Motion to extend the meeting, Richard F, seconded by Kris

Pasta lunch discrepancy needs to be addressed so that these issues don't happen again and whatever is passed at Governing board should be respected. MTA the revised prices on Pasta lunches \$40 for 6 weeks, Richard F. seconded by Leah. 1 against 6 in favour.

10. Date of next meeting: Feb 22nd, March 13th, April 18th, May 16th, June 13th

11. Adjournment: *Motion to adjourn Barbara Galvao, seconded by Rishi.*