



## **Académie John Caboto Academy**

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### **JOHN CABOTO ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD**

**May 5, 2025**

#### **GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:**

GOVERNING BOARD CHAIR: Vanessa Chimienti

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES: Vanessa Chimienti, Tilda Carbone, Mariasabrina Mangione, Angie Michael, and Amanda Palmieri

STAFF REPRESENTATIVES: Jessica Attardo, Katia Codipietro, Anna Mignacca, Sandra Petrillo, and Alexander Rosauri

PRINCIPAL: Ms. Sonia Marotta

COMMUNITY REP: Rosemarie Federico

REGRETS: Mariasabrina Mangione and Rosemarie Federico

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#### **1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted unanimously.

Motioned by Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Ms. Carbone.

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM March 31, 2025**

The minutes from the Governing Board meeting of March 31, 2025 were adopted.

Motioned by Mr. Rosauri, seconded by Ms. Michael. Nine voted yes and 1 abstained.

#### **3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

It was communicated via email that Denim Day has been rescheduled from May 1st to May 13th.

#### **4. REPORTS**

##### **4.1 Chairperson's Report**

None

##### **4.2 Principal Report**

###### School Calendar and School Fees:

The 2025–2026 school calendar and school fees were presented to all governing board members.

###### Aladdin Concert:

On May 4th, our students performed *Aladdin*, and Ms. Marotta is incredibly proud of the students. Thank you to Ms. Sandra, who supported Mr. Diego and our students with the choreography.

##### **4.3 Teacher's Report**

###### JCA Cartoonist Workshop

Students from Grades 1 to 6 took part in a Cartoonist Workshop led by Monsieur François through the Culture à l'école program.

###### Special Olympics

On April 9th, students from ES, WINGS 1, and WINGS 2 took part in the Special Olympics at McGill University. The event was a success, and our students represented JCA with pride.

#### Science/STEAM Fair

On May 1st, students from Grades 4 to 6 presented their science and STEAM projects to students and parents. We are extremely proud of their hard work and creativity.

#### Shakespeare Play

On April 25th, the play, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* was performed for all JCA students through Shakespeare Canada.

#### Halo Race

Our Cycle 2 and 3 students will be participating in the annual Halo Race at Beaver Lake. We are looking forward to this exciting event!

### **4.4 Daycare's Report**

Ms. Petrillo is working on daycare registrations, staffing for the 2025-2026 school year, and organizing Daycare Week.

### **4.5 Parent Committee Delegate's Report (Ms. Michael)**

#### **Points mentioned at the recent meeting:**

##### Bill 94:

A consultation was launched by EPCA, with the EMSB Parent Committee involved. The bill restricts religious symbols for volunteers, caterers, and non-grandfathered staff. Additionally, it includes a cell phone policy—no headphones or phones are allowed on school property during the school day.

##### Literacy Award:

The EMSB will be handing out a Literacy Award to a selected student.

### **4.6 Community Representative's Report**

None

### **4.7 Treasurer's Report**

None

### **4.8 Commissioner's Report (Reported by Ms. Susan)**

#### **Bill 40 – Court of Appeal Decision:**

Bill 40, introduced by the CAQ, eliminated school boards in favor of school service centres, reducing local decision-making power. The Quebec Court of Appeal ruled that some provisions violate the rights of English-speaking minorities.

#### **King Charles III Coronation Medal:**

Mr. Katalifos was recognized for his dedication as Director General of the EMSB and his work with Giant Steps School.

#### **Volunteer Appreciation:**

A dinner was hosted at Pius to thank our dedicated volunteers.

### **4.9 PPO & Fundraising Report**

None

## **5. NEW BUSINESS**

### **5.1 JCA Code of Conduct 2025—2026**

The Code of Conduct for 2025-2026 was reviewed and adopted by all Governing Board members. Motioned by Ms. Mignacca, seconded by Ms. Palmieri, approved unanimously.

### **5.2 JCA School Calendar 2025—2026**

The school calendar for the 2025-2026 school year was reviewed and adopted by all Governing Board members.

Motioned by Mr. Rosauri, seconded by Ms. Michael, approved unanimously.

### **5.3 Scholastic 2025—2026**

It was motioned that scholastic be distributed to our JCA families.

Motioned by Ms. Codipietro, seconded by Mr. Rosauri, approved unanimously

### **5.4 Book Fairs 2025—2026**

It was motioned that an English and a French bookfair be held for the 2025-2026 school year.

Motioned by Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Ms. Carbone, approved unanimously

### **5.5 Blanket Motion for School Field Trips 2025-2026**

A blanket motion was passed allowing Ms. Marotta to authorize school field trips that do not require funding from the fundraising committee and do not extend the school day.

Motioned by Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Ms. Codipietro, approved unanimously.

### **5.6 Blanket Motion for Daycare Field Trips on Ped Day 2025 - 2026**

A blanket motion was passed allowing the Daycare Technician to select and authorize field trips on Pedagogical days.

Motioned by Ms. Michael, seconded by Ms. Carbone, approved unanimously.

### **5.7 Blanket Motion for Casual Days 2025 – 2026**

A blanket motion was passed allowing casual days for 2025 - 2026 school year, as one of our fundraisers.

Motioned by Mr. Rosauri, seconded by Ms. Codipietro, approved unanimously.

### **5.8 PELO 2025 – 2026**

A blanket motion was passed allowing PELO classes for the 2025-2026 school year. Motioned by Ms. Petrillo, seconded by Ms. Michael, approved unanimously.

### **5.9 Blanket Motion for Workbooks 2025 – 2026**

A blanket motion was passed allowing Ms. Marotta to select the workbooks for 2025-2026 school year.

Motioned by Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Ms. Carbone, approved unanimously

### **5.10 Blanket Motion for Supply Lists 2025 - 2026**

A blanket motion was passed in order for Ms. Marotta to make any necessary changes to the supply list for all classes.

Motioned by Mr. Rosauri, seconded by Ms. Codipietro, approved unanimously.

**5.11 Agenda Supplier 2025 – 2026 (Point of information)**

**PIQ Potential** will be the school supplier for the 2025-2026 school agendas.

**5.12 School Fees 2025 – 2026**

It was motioned to approve the student fees which outline costs for the workbooks and other school material. Motioned by Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Mr. Rosauri, approved unanimously.

**5.13 Lunch Fees 2025 – 2026**

Lunch fees will increase from \$1.25 to \$2.00 due to rising staffing costs and wage increases. Parents will be informed before the end of the school year.

Motioned by Ms. Mignacca, seconded by Ms. Carbone, approved unanimously.

**5.14 PPO**

**5.14.1 PPO Money for Fun Day 2025**

It was motioned to allocate PPO \$4,500 for Fun Day 2025, on Monday, June 16.

Motioned by Ms. Carbone, seconded by Mr. Rosauri, approved unanimously.

**5.14.2 PPO Money for KDG & Grade 6 Grad Ceremonies**

It was motioned to allocate PPO \$3,500 for KDG & Grade 6 Grad Ceremonies.

Motioned by Ms. Palmieri, seconded by Ms. Michael, approved unanimously.

**6. VARIA**

French Book Fair:

Ms. Mignacca reported that the fair generated \$4,431 in sales, with a profit of \$2,200.

**7. QUESTION PERIOD**

None

**8. NEXT MEETING SUGGESTED DATE: June 10, 2025**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11.

Motioned by Ms. Codipietro, seconded by Mr. Rosauri, approved unanimously.

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Sonia Marotta, Principal

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Vanessa Chimienti, Chairperson