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JOHN CABOTO ACADEMY

GOVERNING BOARD

October 1, 2025

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:

GOVERNING BOARD CHAIR: Vanessa Chimienti

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

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

PRINCIPAL: Ms. Sonia Marotta

COMMUNITY REP: Rosie Federico

REGRETS: Rosie Federico

1. Welcome—Principal

Ms. Marotta is looking forward to working with the team, and our JCA families.

2. Introduction of members

Governing Board members were introduced.

3. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was adopted unanimously.

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

4. Working together as a team—Principal

Ms. Marotta mentioned the importance of working together as a team.

5. Review of functions of powers

Election of Governing Board members resulted as such:

5.1 Election of a Chairperson: Ms. Chimienti

Nominated by Ms. Carbone, seconded by Ms. Codipietro, unanimously approved.

5.2 Election of a Secretary: Ms. Attardo

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

5.3 Election of a Treasurer: Ms. Carbone

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

6. Nomination and appointment of a community representative:

6.1 Nomination and Appointment of a Community Representative

It was motioned that Ms. Rosie Federico be our Community Representative.

Nominated by Ms. Chimenti, seconded by Ms. Carbone, unanimously approved.

7. Operation

7.1 Review of Responsibilities of Governing Board Members (*Governing Board Manual page 4.5*)

The guidelines regarding the responsibilities and power of the Governing Board members were presented.

7.2 Review of Rules of Operation (*Appendix A*)

The rules of operation were reviewed by Governing Board members.

7.3 Approval/Modification of Internal Rules of Managements (*Appendix B*)

Internal rules of management were reviewed and adopted by the Governing Board members.

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

7.4 Approval/Modification of Guidelines for Conduct of Members (*Appendix C*)

Guidelines for Conduct of Members were reviewed and adopted by the Governing Board members.

8. Approval of Minutes from June 11, 2025

The minutes from the Governing Board meeting of June 11 were approved.

Motioned by Mr. Rosauri, seconded by Ms. Petrillo, unanimously approved, 1 abstain (Ms. Codipietro).

9. Business arising from minutes

We tabled the 2024 -2025 PPO fundraising budget in June but later approved it by Email vote— Mr. Rosauri seconded by Ms. Michael)

10. Reports

10.1 Principal Report

Corn Roast:

We had a wonderful corn roast! Thank you to the parent volunteers, and to our PPO for organizing the event.

Beginning of School year:

Ms. Marotta addressed the school budget cuts for the upcoming year, and emphasized that we will continue working together as a team to support our students and families.

10.2 Teacher Report

Basketball Match:

On our annual corn roast Grade 6 students and teachers participated and played in a fun basketball match—everyone had a great time!

Terry Fox Run:

Terry Fox Run was a great success, a total of \$1,548 was raised to go towards the cause.

10.3 Daycare Report

Our first ped day of the school year the students enjoyed a day of fun activities with Animation KIDZ.

10.4 Parent Committee Delegate

Meetings have not started yet.

10.5 Community Rep. Report

None

10.6 Commissioner's Report

Looking ahead, EMSB faces major budget cuts. Schools can no longer use surplus funds from previous years under the new budget rules. Renovations and projects are on hold. There is now a hold on hiring new support staff. EMSB plans to challenge the government in court.

11. New Business

11.1 Confirmation of Email Votes

11.1.1 Speaker & Microphones

11.1.2 PPO Fundraising Budget (2024 - 2025)

11.1.3 Terry Fox Fundraiser 2025

11.1.4 St. Viateur Bagel Fundraiser

11.2 Remembrance Day Collection 2025

It was motioned that donations will be collected for Remembrance Day.

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

11.3 After-School Dance Class (*l'Académie de danse de Montréal*)

Classes started on Monday, September 29th.

11.4 Holiday Fair 2025

Will be held on Saturday, December 6 – applications for vendors are now open.

11.5 PPO

11.5.1 Election of PPO Chairperson

It was motioned that Ms. Palmieri will be the Fundraising Chair for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

11.5.2 Allocation of \$100/Month

It was motioned to allocate an amount of \$100 per month from Fundraising to PPO.

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

11.5.3 Bowling Night Fundraiser

It was motioned that Bowling Night be one of our fundraisers for the upcoming school year.

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

11.5.4 St. Viateur Bagel Fundraiser

This fundraiser was a great success.

11.5.5 Grade 6 Grad Hoodie Funding

An amount of \$1,200 was allocated from PPO to fund the Grade 6 Graduation Hoodies.

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

11.5.6 Update to JCA Dress Code to Incorporate Black Grade 6 Hoodies
Tabled to an E-Mail Vote

12. VARIA

13. QUESTION PERIOD

Will the Mamma Mia production will take place?

There's a possibility—Mr. Dimitri from Mamma Mia production has offered to cover half the fees, for this year's registration and the rest to be paid by the parents. JCA will pay his fees in two parts.

14. NEXT MEETING SUGGESTED DATE: November 12, 2025

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7: 18 PM

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

Sonia Marotta, Principal

Vanessa Chimienti, Chairperson