



LEONARDO DA VINCI ACADEMY

Governing Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 10th, 2026

Members in attendance (alphabetical)

Kurt Blagden , Joseph Carlucci, Rosemarie Carlomusto, Antonella D'Angelo, Ana Maria Di Gaetano, Sabrina Recine Di Nezza, Sabrina Gavita, Vanessa Giancioppi, Johanne Lancellotta, Maria Loria, Fatima Marandola, Francesca Muro, Renata Nespeca, Anna-Maria Parente, Karen Polletta, Nadia Sammarco, , Stellana Romeo, Francesca Santone

Absent: Tina Spiridigliozzi

1. Welcome and opening remarks

Stellana Romeo welcomed the members and started the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

2. Additions to the agenda

No additions to the agenda. Letter i - approval of a ped day October 5

3. Adoption of the agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda by Vanessa Giancioppi, seconded by Francesca Santone. All in favour.

Motion approved.

4. Approval of the minutes of the March 10, 2026, meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of April 30th, 2026 by Vanessa Giancioppi seconded by Francesca Santone. All in favour.

Motion approved.

5. Business Issues

- a) **Confirmation of email vote** - for increase in lunch fees for the 2026-27 school year to 2.50\$ per day, motioned by Johanne Lancellotta seconded by Maria Loria. All in favour

Motion approved.

- b) **Approval of charges to parents 2026-27** – The document was distributed with the charges to parents for the 2026-2027 school year. Ms. Sammarco explained the lists and charges.

Motion to approve by Fatima Marandola and seconded by Kurt Blagden. All in favour.

Motion approved.



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c) **Approval of preliminary budget for 2026-27 school year**

Ms. Sammarco presented fund 3 with charges for school fees and the lunch fees. All the revenue collected that comes in and then is used to pay suppliers or lunch salaries.

Resolution was read by the chair.

Motion to approve by Maria Loria and seconded by Vanessa Giancioppi. All in favour

Motion approved.

d) **Approval of ABAV final report for the 2025-26 school year**

Anti Bullying Anti Violence Plan final report- We have completed everything we said we would complete. The only item not completed was displaying the poster from the Ombudsman, we did not receive the poster, therefore could not display it.

Motion to approve by Kurt Blagden and seconded by Sabrina Gavita. All in favour

Motion approved.

e) **Subject Time Allocation for the 2026-27 school year**

Explanation given concerning the fact that Technology can no longer be a subject on its own. As of next school year it will be combined with the Science, hence it will be Science & Technology. Students from grade 3 to 6 will have two 60-minute periods, one 60 min for science and hands-on experiments and one for tech and robotics in the lab.

For cycle 1 it will also no longer be its own subject. It will fall with in the Art competency as media. Two 60-minute blocks of Art- one hour for creative art and one hour for media art.

f) **Timetable for the 2026-27 school year**

No change to the school's timetable for the 2026-2027 school year



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g) Approval of GB financial report

Governing Board funds yearly are 250\$ and a 19\$ roll over from last year. The 269\$ was used to cover the plaques for the grade 6 graduation. It will all be spent. The total cost is 569\$ and the school is covering the remaining cost.

Motion to approve by Antonella D'Angelo and seconded by Rosemarie Carlomusto.
All in favour

Motion approved.

h) Approval of Annual Report

The document was presented and reviewed. Corrections and adjustments were made to attendance.

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The Chairperson's message was shared by Stellana Romeo

Motion to approve by Sabrina Dinezza and seconded by Francesca Santone . All in favour

Motion approved.

- i) **Approval of Daycare Ped day- October 5th-** In house "LDVA Fall into Fun".
Uncertain if the daycare fee will go up. At the moment, the cost for this day is 16\$ daycare fee and 11\$- total 27\$

motion to approve by Joanne Lancelotta and seconded by Karen Polletta. All in favour

Motion approved.

- j) **Approval of chocolate fundraiser for next year** – same supplier from the past- World's Finest- 50% profit from what we sell. 2 for 5 \$ and the almond boxes are 5 \$ a box. One box is 50\$ profit and one is 45\$ a box profit

Motion to approve by Kurt Blagden and seconded by Renata Nespeca. All in favour

Motion approved.



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Reports:

a) Principal's Report

- summer books give away today and students' names were drawn – 6 names per grade.
- Jersey Day on Friday June 12th
- Successful play-based sessions for K4 and K5 with Universe of Play
- Vision screening for K4 and K5 – on May 27th
- Grade 6 transition to high school and vision boards with life coach Pina Tortorici
- June 17th there will be a BXM show for the whole school. Treats will be given to the students
- June 18th- Celebration of Learning K4
- June 19th- Moving On Ceremony k5
- June 19th – Grade 6 Final Walk through the halls
- June 22nd Fun Day- stations, lunch and treats
- June 23rd- last day and grade 6 Convocation at Plaza Universel

Ms. Sammarco thanked everyone for a wonderful, successful year and wished them a great summer and announced that Mr. Joseph is officially our permanent Vice Principal

b) Vice Principal's Report-

- Mr. Jospheh stated he is very happy to be back next year. Was grateful to have had the opportunity to work with everyone this year and to have the chance for another year.
- Staff vs Students hockey game – went very well and there will be a staff vs students soccer game.

c) Commissioner's Report- Mr. Mercuri was absent- sends his regards



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d) Teacher's Report

- Ms. Karen discussed the play-based sessions and how successful they were and how the students enjoyed them.
- Ms. Karen discussed the planting activity with grade 6 and K5. It went very well; the students now have a sense of responsibility for the space they created. Also thanked the home and school volunteers who assisted.
- K4&K5 practicing for their ceremonies.
- Ms. Parente explained that grade 6 students are almost done with exams and have been working well. Students are excited to graduate.
- Ms. Parente explained that ELA exams are done and we have a 100% success rate

e) Regional Delegate Report-

- EMSB budget for tutoring = half a million dollars – 3400 tutoring sessions with Learn Quebec. These are half-hour sessions. Tutors are making 80\$ an hour, Learn Quebec charges 150\$ an hour which is 70\$ administration fees.
- Ms. Sammarco explained that Learn Quebec does communicate with the schools when a student attends a session. This is tutoring tool primarily used by high school and aimed for students who have an IEP.
- This is not the same as the after-school tutors we have at LDVA- we have our own budget allocation for that.
- The EMSB will continue working with Learn. The students will need to have a code, “at risk students” will be a priority.
- Bill 8 – Amendment to Bill 101 to extend eligibility requirements to Adult Ed and vocational education. This is a concern for the school board, because there are currently 27000 students in our school board that would be affected by this amendment. The centers which have these students and the profit generated and brings in money for all of the EMSB. This will impact money for the youth sector.
- A letter campaign has been started-up to voice disapproval with this amendment.

f) Daycare Report

- Ms. Francesca spoke about the daycare week. – It was a success. During the week all the grades worked on a schoolwide canvas, which will soon be unveiled.
- 3 retirements this year. All are lunch monitors. Ms Lucy, Ms Anna and Ms Terry. On June 16th we will be a celebration for them.



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-Ms. Francesca requested a vote for the October 5th ped day so that they can begin planning as it will be too late once our new governing board is established. The charge for the ped day is 27\$ per student and will be an in-house ped day.

Motion to approve by Karen Polletta and seconded by Maria Loria. All in favour

Motion approved.

- Ms. Francesca thanked the governing board for their support and wished everyone a nice summer.

g) Home and School Report

-Antonella reviewed the financial statements. – Last meeting a decision was made to cover the costs associated with Welcoming Day next year.

- Chocolate bar drive will be done again next year as it was voted in at our last meeting.

-Email vote was done to ask for an increase for the Fun Day budget, allowing everyone to have 2 hotdogs and french fries and a sorbet.

-All fundraisers were successful this year.

-This year an LDVA fund was created to be used for arts, robotics, stage for spring concert and music program.

-If all goes well there will be a carry-over to start the next school year

Motion to adjourn at 8:31 to approve by Sabrina Di Nezza and seconded by Karen Poletta. All in favour

Motion approved.