

Our Lady of Pompei School

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2025-2026 Governing Board Meeting #1 Minutes

Monday, September 29, 2025 at 6:30 pm

Members in attendance:

Governing Board Members		GB Meeting #1 Monday, Sept 29
Agnello, Cathy	Daycare	Present
Berry, Natasha	Parent	Present
Bozzo, Virginia	Parent	Present
Carrara, Bianca	Parent	Present
Di Stefano, Andrea	Parent	Present
Di Zazzo, Erica	Parent	Present
Ferraro, Silvia	Teacher	Present
Latendresse, Jade (substitute)	Parent	Present (observing)
Latin, Bianca	Teacher	Present
Morizio, Tasha (substitute)	Parent	Present
Negrii, Eugen	Teacher	Absent
Ricci, Mirella	Teacher	Present
Rosciano, Giuseppe	Parent	Absent
Stroz-Breton, Olivia	Parent	Present
Watson, Lynn	Teacher	Present

Administration: Grace Fanelli, Principal (Interim)

Guests: none

Members of the Public: none

1. Welcome

- The meeting was called to order by Ms. Fanelli at 6:35pm.
- Mr. Di Stefano volunteered to take the minutes until a secretary is elected.
- Ms. Latendresse is observing only, since she is not replacing a voting member.

2. Introduction of Members

Ms. Fanelli welcomed all Governing Board members, both new and returning. Each member presented themselves to the group.



3. Additions to the Agenda

Ms. Morizio requested that "Schoolyard subcommittee" be added under Varia as item 15.1.

4. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Morizio, to approve the agenda. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

5. Adoption of the Minutes of 2024-2025 Meeting #7 – June 18, 2025

It was moved by Ms. Berry, seconded by Ms. Ricci, to adopt the minutes from the previous meeting. No objections, 4 abstentions; motion passed.

6. Business Arising from Minutes

None.

7. Election of the Executives for 2025-2026

7.1 Election of Chairperson

Motion put forth by Ms. Agnello, seconded by Ms. Morizio, to nominate Ms. Di Zazzo as Chairperson. Ms. Di Zazzo accepted the nomination. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

7.2 Election of Vice Chairperson

Motion put forth by Ms. Carrara, seconded by Ms. Di Zazzo, to nominate Ms. Berry as Vice Chairperson. Ms. Berry accepted the nomination. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

7.3 Election of Secretary

Motion put forth by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Berry, to nominate Mr. Di Stefano as Secretary. Mr. Di Stefano accepted the nomination. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

7.4 Election of Treasurer

Motion put forth by Ms. Berry, seconded by Ms. Agnello, to nominate Ms. Carrara as Treasurer. Ms. Carrara accepted the nomination. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

8. Operation (as outlined in the Education Act)

8.1 OLP GB Code of Conduct

Ms. Fanelli presented the OLP GB Code of Conduct for 2025-2026.

Motion put forth by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Agnello, to remove the "Be objective" item from the Code of conduct and add two new items:

- Come prepared for each meeting by reading all documents in advance.
- Send additional agenda items at least 1 week prior to the meeting.

All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

8.2 OLP GB Rules of Operation

Ms. Fanelli presented the OLP GB Rules of Operation. Ms. Di Zazzo noted that the document does not specify which members are allowed to vote.



Motion put forth by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Morizio, to change the final bullet point in section 1. "Composition" to "2 community representatives (non-voting members)". All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

8.3 Community Representatives

Ms. Fanelli explained the role of community representatives in the Governing Board.

8.4 Schedule of Meetings/Location

Ms. Fanelli discussed the schedule and location of future GB meetings. Although GB meetings have been hybrid in-person/online in recent years, Ms. Fanelli cited resource constraints with setting up a hybrid meeting at the school. A discussion ensued about options for the location of meetings. In general, the parents seemed to prefer in-person meetings, whereas the teacher members preferred hybrid/online. Ms. Latin offered to set up the teacher's room for hybrid meetings before each meeting, and Ms. Morizio offered to act as tech support, to allow meetings to potentially continue using the hybrid format.

Motion put forth by Ms. Ricci, seconded by Ms. Di Zazzo, to hold the next meeting as hybrid and decide at the end of that meeting if subsequent meetings could be held using the same format. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

9. New Business

9.1 Electronic votes

On Monday, 22 September 2025, a motion was put forth via email by Ms. Di Zazzo, seconded by Ms. Berry, to transfer the remaining funds from the Welcome Back activity (\$1750) to the Pumpkin Picking outing. No objections, 1 abstention; motion passed via electronic vote. The event will take place on Oct. 9 at La Ferme Forget (Laval) for \$20/student, and parents can choose to donate to allow students from families experiencing financial difficulties to attend the event as well.

9.2 Day trip approval

To facilitate field trip planning, Ms. Fanelli requested that day trips be approved by the Principal and GB Chair, without requiring formal GB approval. Motion put forth by Ms. Stroz-Breton, seconded by Ms. Morizio, to allow day trips to be approved by the Principal and GB Chair on behalf of the GB. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

10. Principal' Report

Ms. Fanelli shared the Principal's report.

- The school currently has 162 students.
- The school is fully staffed
- Budget cuts: the school's budget was slashed by 20% compared with last year. As of this meeting, only 25% of the budget has been allocated, and no information has been provided about when the remaining funds will be allocated.
- The first PPO meeting will be on 7 Oct. 2025.

11. Teachers

Ms. Watson and Ms. Ricci shared the teachers' report. The academic year is off to a good start. September is a good time to review rules, safety procedures, and get students used to the curriculum.



12. Daycare

Ms. Agnello shared the daycare report.

- The daycare reports 90 students, and 5 educators
- Sept 19 was a ped day facilitated by *Enfants et compagnie*, during which the students made pencil cases.
- Given the beautiful weather, students are spending lots of time outdoors, and activities are also being organized in the gym.
- Oct. 14 is the next ped day also facilitated by *Enfants et compagnie*. The theme will be mad science and the students will be making slime.

13. RPC

Ms. Fanelli shared that the first RPC meeting has not taken place yet, so there was nothing to report.

14. PPO

Ms. Latendresse shared the PPO report.

- The PPO members are exploring new fundraising initiatives.
- They are also working on clarifying expectations for PPO members and potentially preparing a new pamphlet with more information about PPO and important information for members.
- A question also arose regarding whether students' grandparents were allowed to be PPO members. Ms. Fanelli will inquire and report at the next meeting.

15. Varia

15.1 Schoolyard subcommittee

Ms. Morizio shared updates and information about the Subcommittee on Schoolyard Renovations that was struck by the OLP GB during the 2024-2025 academic year to beautify the north yard.

- Context and updates for the proposal to the Ministry for funding
- There is a new contact person in EMSB for material resources; to be confirmed
- There is currently one vacant position in the subcommittee, since one staff member is no longer at OLP.
- Motion put forth by Ms. Stroz-Breton, seconded by Ms. Di Zazzo, to extend the mandate of the Subcommittee on Schoolyard Renovations for the 2025-2026 academic year. All in favour; motion unanimously passed.

16. Next Meeting/Adjournment



Signatures:	
Principal	Date
Governing Board Chair	Date

Motion to adjourn the meeting put forth by Ms. Agnello, seconded by Ms. Ferraro. All in

The next meeting will take place on Oct 23, 2025 in hybrid format.

favour; meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.