

St. John Fisher Elementary School
Annual General Meeting – Minutes
Governing Board
30 August, 2012

Attendance: (11 Senior, 4 Junior, 20 Jr/Sr. =35)

Priya Karnick
Dana MacDonald
Wendy Gray
Claudia Bino
Jennifer Olmstead
Ken Johnston
Jonathan Jonas
Edna Garcia Leon
Jean Marier
Lisa Pothier
Lindsay McLeod

Allison Saunders
Stephanie Kalman
Marie Maguigad
Patricia Cameron

Beata Spencer
Sandra Gesualdi
Julie Ann Smith
Christina Forest
Michael Cochrane
Balgovind Pande
Jennifer Pastor
Lisa Marie Foye
Josie Campisi
Mike Vallee
Tifanie Valade
Raymond Cornell
Bridget Bagshaw
Karl Santaguida
Marisa Dimeglio
Michele Bordo
Frank Raposo
José Carlos S.M. Senna
Ericka Baron
Marie-Hélène Mondor

- 1.0 Opening and Welcome – ~ 6:30 Balgovind welcomed all. Mentioned this was a paperless meeting, so was going over everything on PowerPoint.
- 2.0 Message from Principals – Mr. DiVittori and Mme. Martin thanked everyone for coming.
- 3.0 Secretary – Naming – Wendy Gray nominated Lindsay McLeod, Dana MacDonald seconded. All in favour, motion carried.
- 4.0 Agenda – Approval – Sandra Gesualdi moved to approve the agenda, Mike Vallee seconded. All in favour, motion carried.
- 5.0 Minutes of Last AGM – Approval – Christina Forest moved to approve the minutes from 2011, Michele Bordo seconded. All in favour, motion carried.

6.0 Governing Board

- 6.1 Roles and Function – Balgovind presented an extensive explanation of the roles and functions of Governing Board.
- 6.2 2011-12 Annual Report – Balgovind presented the Annual Report.
- 6.3 Introduction of Current Members – Sandra Gesualdi, Marisa Dimeglio, Josie Campisi, Michele Bordo, Julie Ann Smith, Christina Forest, Ken Johnston, Mike Vallee and Balgovind Pande.
- 6.4 Two Governing Boards – It was decided last year by MELS to make St. John Fisher into two schools with two governing boards, to ensure proper staffing and proper funding.

7.0 Governing Board Election Procedure -- We will be electing 10 new Governing Board members: For the Junior campus: 3 members for a two-year term (large green ballots) and 2 members for a one-year term (small green ballots). For the Senior campus: 3 members for a two-year term (large blue ballots) and 2 members for a one-year term (small blue ballots). Only parents with children in the Junior school may nominate or be nominated for a GB position, likewise for Senior. One may serve on both GBs, if elected. This procedure was moved for approval by Lindsay McLeod and seconded by Wendy Gray. All in favour, motion carried.

8.0 Governing Board Election

8.1 St. John Fisher Junior -- The following were nominated:
TWO-year term: **Josie Campisi** by Jennifer Pastor and Beata Spencer.
Allison Saunders by Christina Forest and Marie Maguigad.
Julie Ann Smith by Beata Spencer and Ericka Baron.
All three candidates elected by acclamation.

ONE-year term: **Marie Maguigad** by herself and Allison Saunders.
Christina Forest by Michele Bordo and Josie Campisi.
Both candidates elected by acclamation.

8.2 St. John Fisher Senior – The following were nominated:
TWO-year term: Mike Vallee by Sandra Gesualdi and Michel Bordo.
Balgovind Pande by Julie Ann Smith and Mike Vallee.
Christina Forest by Mike Cochrane and Mike Vallee.
Ken Johnston by Dana MacDonald and Lindsay McLeod.

ONE-year term: Sandra Gesualdi by Mike Vallee and Ericka Baron
Julie Ann Smith by Josie Campisi and Ericka Baron.
Michele Bordo by Frank Raposo and Marisa Dimeglio.
Josie Campisi by Julie Ann Smith and Claudia Bino.
Bridget Bagshaw by Karl Santaguida and Michel Bordo.
Marisa Dimeglio by Balgovind Pande and Julie Ann Smith.

Each of the parents gave a brief talk. Balgovind suggested Marie as a scrutineer, seconded by Wendy. Jennifer Pastor suggested Allison as a second scrutineer, seconded by Jean. All in favour, motion carried. After the secret ballot was taken and counted, Tony DiVittori announced the new Senior Governing Board:

Senior Two-years: **Mike Vallee, Balgovind Pande, Ken Johnston**
Senior One-year: **Sandra Gesualdi, Bridget Bagshaw.**

9.0 Parents' Committee

9.1 2011-12 Report – Sandra Gesualdi presented her 2011-12 report.

9.2 Election of Parent Representative -- Allison Saunders was elected to be the Junior Parent Rep. Ken Johnston was elected to be the Senior Parent Rep.

9.3 Election of Alternate – Christina Forest was elected to be the Junior alternate. Sandra Gesualdi was elected to be the Senior alternate.

10.0 Parents Participation Organization – Balgovind went over key differences between PPO and Home and School. He asked the mandatory question, “Do we want to replace Home and School with a PPO?” Lindsay McLeod moved to keep a Home and School, Marie-Hélène seconded. All in favour, motion carried.

11.0 Date of First Governing Board Meetings – Junior meeting is Sept. 12, 2012 at 7:00 pm.
Senior meeting is Sept. 26, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

12.0 Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Wendy Gray, seconded by Beata, all in favour, motion carried. ~ 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay McLeod