



16 May 2015

Dear CANDO families,

2014-15 has been a busy year for CANDO Board members. We'll be summarizing the events of this year and looking forward to next year at our **annual CANDO General Membership Meeting on Thursday, May 21 at 7 pm in the LMC at Rotolo Middle School**. If you are unfamiliar with the middle school, enter on at the Main Entrance on the east side of the school. The LMC is right above the entrance, on the second floor. Watch for the CANDO directional signs.

We will also be formally electing our Executive Board officers and appointing school liaisons for the six Batavia elementary schools, and Rotolo Middle School (six, with two at each grade level). The ballot below reflects individuals who have already expressed interest in retaining their positions on the board, or in assuming a new position. If you would like to add your name to the ballot, please submit your name, title of desired position, and contact information to: [bataviacando@gmail.com](mailto:bataviacando@gmail.com) by Wednesday, May 20. If you would like to have your name on the ballot, but will be unable to attend Thursday's meeting, please also submit a letter of interest that describes your qualifications to fill the desired Executive Board or Liaison position. Position descriptions can be found on the CANDO website at <http://bataviacando.weebly.com/>. Just click on "Volunteer" under the "About" tab on the Home page. Currently, none of the Board positions are contested, but if you would like to serve in one of those positions please submit your name and the accompanying information requested above.

CANDO Executive Board members and parents who volunteered to serve on the two operating BPS Gifted Services Work Groups will continue to work through the summer in their areas of focus: 1) the Vision/Philosophy of BPS101 Gifted Services and the revised Gifted Handbook, and 2) gifted services for students in grades K-2. Thank you to the parent volunteers who are participating in this process. We

are making progress in both of these areas that should positively impact the experience of Batavia's gifted and high-ability students.

Finally, watch the website for minutes from the May 11 Gifted Committee meeting and reports of progress and meeting minutes from the two work groups. You can also expect an invitation to our annual Back-to-school Picnic in August. This event is for all families, but special activities are planned for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to provide opportunities for them to become acquainted with their new classmates at RMS as they transition from elementary schools. This event is traditionally held at Big Woods Park on Raddant Road in Batavia the afternoon of 6<sup>th</sup> grade "Locker Move-in" at RMS; so when that date is finalized we will notify you of our picnic date/time via e-mail and twitter.

Thanks to all of you for supporting CANDO in our efforts this year. Please consider volunteering for a Board or Liaison position, or offering to help with a CANDO event during the 2015-16 school year. Feel welcome to contact me with any questions via the CANDO website at: [bataviacando@gmail.com](mailto:bataviacando@gmail.com). Enjoy your summer!

Regards,

Deb Grizzell  
CANDO Chair

### **Proposed Ballot for the 2015-16 CANDO Executive Board**

<b>CANDO Chair</b>	Deb Grizzell
<b>Advocacy co-Chairs</b>	Christy Magerkurth and Jessica Kelly
<b>Programs co-Chairs</b>	Anna Adams and Heather DeBaun
<b>Resource Chair</b>	Heidi LeRette-Kaufmann
<b>Twice-exceptional (2E) Resource Chair</b>	Margie Goliak (co-chair sought/position available)
<b>Secretary/Treasurer</b>	Jodie Pufundt

*\*\*Please note that there is a position available for co-Chair of the 2E Resource position\*\**

### **CANDO School Liaisons**

These positions are appointed positions, not subject to the May 21 election, but we encourage interested volunteers to submit their names and contact information by e-mail by May 20:

[bataviacando@gmail.com](mailto:bataviacando@gmail.com).

## CANDO School Liaisons (continued)

<b>Alice Gustafson School</b>	<i>open</i>
<b>Grace McWayne School</b>	<i>open</i>
<b>H C Storm School</b>	Eileen and Spencer Pasero
<b>Hoover Wood School</b>	<i>open</i>
<b>J B Nelson School</b>	Amy Petersen and Heather DeBaun
<b>Louise White School</b>	Nikki Rousseau
<b>Rotolo Middle School</b>	Norma Fortino (6 <sup>th</sup> grade)
	Colleen Nyland (6 <sup>th</sup> grade)
	Kyra Holzman (7 <sup>th</sup> grade)
	<i>open</i> (7 <sup>th</sup> grade)
	<i>open</i> (8 <sup>th</sup> grade)
	<i>open</i> (8 <sup>th</sup> grade)