



Council of Commissioners of **Riverside** School Board

*Minutes of the proceedings of a SPECIAL session of the Council of Commissioners for Riverside School Board held at the Administration Centre, 299 Sir-Wilfrid-Laurier Blvd., St. Lambert, Québec on **November 11, 2008.***

The Secretary General established that quorum was met and Chairman Moira Bell, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

M. Bell	M. Gour	G. Sastre
K. Cameron	D. Guerriero	D. Smith
M. Cloutier	D. Horrocks	P. Chouinard, Parent
H. Dumont	N. Nichols	

Regrets: F. Blais, M. L'Heureux, D. Gareau, D. Copeman, D. Lamoureux, P. Morrison, P. D'Avignon, L. Cuffling, A. Capobianco Skipworth

Also present

Kevin Lukian, Director General
Stephen Lessard, Assistant Director General
Denise Paulson, Secretary General
Maria Nasso-Maselli, Director of Elementary Schools

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Chouinard and seconded by Commissioner Sastre that the agenda be adopted

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APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 21, 2008

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Guerriero and seconded by Commissioner Horrocks that the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 21, 2008 be approved.

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IN COMMITTEE:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Sastre and seconded by Commissioner Smith at 6:36 p.m. that Council enter into committee.

OUT OF COMMITTEE:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Gour, and seconded by Commissioner Cameron, at 6:45 p.m. that Council arise from committee.

RESOLUTION B260-20081111

REQUEST TO RECONSIDER A DECISION RELATIVE TO THE ETHICS AND RELIGIOUS CULTURE PROGRAM

WHEREAS Article 9 of the Education Act provides that parents may request the Council of Commissioners to reconsider a decision affecting their child;

WHEREAS the parents of student 6094270 had an opportunity to address the Council of Commissioners at a Special Meeting held on October 21, 2008;

WHEREAS the parents have declined to be present at a second Special Meeting;

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WHEREAS according to Article 222 of the Education Act, the Council of Commissioners may grant an exemption for humanitarian reasons or to avoid serious harm to the student;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners has reviewed the written request submitted by the parents of student 6094270 for the revision of a decision;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners has deliberated on this matter :

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Cameron, and seconded by Commissioner Sastre, that the request to reconsider the decision not to grant an exemption from the Ethics and Religious Culture Program for student 6094270 be denied due to the fact that the conditions set forth in Article 222 of the Education Act have not been met.

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CLOSING:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Horrocks and seconded by Commissioner Dumont, at 6:47 p.m., that the meeting be closed.

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Moira Bell, Chairman

Denise Paulson, Secretary General