

COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the proceedings of a regular session of the Council of Commissioners for Riverside School Board held at the Administration Centre, 299 Sir-Wilfrid-Laurier Blvd., St. Lambert, Québec on August 24, 2010.

The Secretary General established that quorum was met and Vice-Chairman Debbie Horrocks, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

F. Blais	D. Gareau	L. Llewelyn Cuffling
P. Booth Morrison	M. Gour	N. Nichols
K. Cameron	D. Horrocks	G. Sastre
P. D'Avignon	D. Lamoureux	D. Smith
H. Dumont	M. L'Heureux	PARENTS —D. Copeman

Regrets: S. Rasmussen, Moira Bell, Pierre Chouinard, Domenic Guerriero, Michael Cloutier, A. Capobianco Skipworth

Also present

Stephen Lessard, Director General
Pierre Farmer, Assistant Director General
Denise Paulson, Secretary General
Michel Bergeron, Interim Director of Financial Resources
Lyse Gendron-Brodeur, Director of Secondary Schools
Wendy Bernier, Interim Director of Human Resources
Mary Williams, Director of Elementary Schools
Gail Somerville, Director of Complementary Services
Louise Beaupré, Director of Adult and Vocational Education

Presence noted

Peter Woodruff, Lucie Roy, Alexandre Bélisle, Bob Matthey

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner L'Heureux, seconded by Commissioner D'Avignon that the agenda be adopted with the addition of item 9.2 Tax Issue, and that a copy be appended to the Minutes of this meeting.

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Introduction of the Student Ombudsman

Mr. Peter Woodruff was introduced to the Council. He provided some professional background information about himself and spoke of his understanding of the role of student ombudsman. A short question and answer period took place.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS : None

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING HELD ON JUNE 15, 2010

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner L'Heureux, seconded by Commissioner Smith, that the Minutes of the meeting held on June 15, 2010 be adopted.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE RECONVENED MEETING HELD ON JUNE 29, 2010

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Cuffling, seconded by Commissioner Dumont, that the Minutes of the meeting held on June 29, 2010 be adopted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Director General followed up: None

CHAIRMAN AND DIRECTOR GENERAL

Chair's report – M. Bell

None

Director General's Report – S. Lessard

- Our sympathy was expressed to the family of Kristin Auclair, a former student from Mountainview who passed away as well as to the family of Brittany O'Hara, a Chambly Academy and Centennial Regional High School student who lost her life in a car accident.
- A very successful administrators' retreat was held last week.
- There are 7 new candidates in the ALP program, bringing the total to 11 participants
- Ways to implement cuts as a result of Bill 100 have been discussed
- The new report card is on hold until September 2011
- Welcome Back activities are planned for August 27
- Mr. Farmer provided update on Capital Projects
- Mrs. Somerville extended an invitation to commissioners to attend the welcome back activities on August 27th
- Q92 will broadcast from St. Lambert on September 1 – an initiative of Franklin Jones
- There were two reinstatements since last meeting – one to CRHS and the other to HRHS

Parents' Committee: P. Chouinard/D. Copeman

Next meeting: September 8

REPORTS (non-voting items only)

Executive - L. Cuffling:

- No report. First meeting is on September 7, 2010.

Transportation Advisory – L. Cuffling

- No report.

Communication –: S. Rasmussen

- No report.

Education – D. Smith:

- No report.

Financial and Audit – L. Cuffling:

- No report.

Governance and Ethics – F. Blais

- No report. Commissioner Blais noted that a replacement Ethics Officer was needed.

Human Resources – H. Dumont:

- Appointment of Isabelle Petit to the position of Administration Officer in Finance
- Interviews for the position of Director of Finance to take place next week.

- Second librarian has been hired
- Resolution for Assistant Centre Director is before Council tonight.

Material Resources and Safe Schools – K. Cameron

- No report.

QESBA – P. D’Avignon:

No report. The next meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2010 and the AGM has been moved to November 5 and 6, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Blais, seconded by Commissioner Smith that Commissioner Moira Bell be permitted to vote by telephone.

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Resolution B351-20100824

ELECTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF RIVERSIDE SCHOOL BOARD:

WHEREAS By-Law 3 – Delegation of Powers to the Executive Committee – establishes that the voting members shall be 6 commissioners elected to the Executive and the Chair of the Council of Commissioners:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner L’Heureux, seconded by Commissioner D’Avignon, that nominations be opened and that a ballot vote be taken, if necessary, to elect the members of the Executive Committee for Riverside School Board.

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Commissioner Moves	Nominee	Commissioner Seconds	Accepts Nomination	Declines Nomination
Blais	L’Heureux	Lamoureux	X	
Cameron	Blais	Dumont	X	
Smith	Cuffling	Dumont	X	
Cuffling	Cameron	Smith	X	
Dumont	Smith	L’Heureux	X	
Blais	Rasmussen	Cuffling	X	
L’Heureux	Sastre	Smith	X	
Morrison	Gour	Lamoureux	X	
Gour	Gareau	Lamoureux	X	
Sastre	Lamoureux	Morrison	X	
Lamoureux	Morrison	L’Heureux	X	
Gareau	D’Avignon	Copeman		X

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner L'Heureux that nominations cease.

APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Blais, seconded by Commissioner D'Avignon, that Directors Louise Beaupré and Wendy Bernier be appointed as Scrutineers.

Number of votes required for election: 8/15

RESULTS OF THE VOTE:

The results of the secret ballot held are as follows:

L. Cuffling	-	9 votes
F. Blais	-	8 votes
D. Smith	-	8 votes
G. Sastre	-	7 votes
M. L'Heureux	-	7 votes
P. Morrison	-	7 votes
D. Gareau	-	7 votes
K. Cameron	-	7 votes
S. Rasmussen	-	7 votes
M. Gour	-	6 votes
D. Lamoureux	-	5 votes

DECLARATION OF ELECTION:

The following Commissioners were elected on the first ballot:

Commissioner Blais
Commissioner Cuffling
Commissioner Smith

and are therefore declared members of the Executive Committee of Riverside School Board, effective immediately.

RESULTS OF THE VOTE:

The results of the second secret ballot held are as follows:

G. Sastre	-	8 votes
K. Cameron	-	8 votes
S. Rasmussen	-	8 votes
P. Morrison	-	7 votes
D. Gareau	-	6 votes
M. L'Heureux	-	6 votes

The following Commissioners were elected on the second ballot:

Commissioner Cameron
Commissioner Rasmussen
Commissioner Sastre

and are therefore declared members of the Executive Committee of Riverside School Board, effective immediately.

Resolution B352-20100824

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

WHEREAS the Transportation Advisory Committee is mandated by Article 188 of the Education Act; and

WHEREAS it is mandated in the composition of the Transportation Advisory Committee that two Commissioners of the Council of Commissioners be members of the committee:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner D'Avignon that nominations be opened and that a ballot vote be taken, if necessary, to elect two (2) commissioners to the Transportation Advisory Committee for Riverside School Board.

Commissioner Moves	Nominee	Commissioner Seconds	Accepts	Declines
Copeman	Chouinard	D'Avignon	Yes, by e-mail	
Dumont	Cuffling	Nichols	Yes	

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Cameron and seconded by Commissioner Blais that nominations cease.

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DECLARATION OF ACCLAMATION:

The following Commissioners are therefore declared acclaimed as members of the Transportation Advisory Committee for Riverside School Board, effective immediately.

Commissioner Chouinard
Commissioner Cuffling

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PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE QUEBEC ENGLISH SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (QESBA)

WHEREAS, the Quebec English School Boards Association has informed its nine (9) member boards of its proposed budget for 2010-2011, which includes its intention to increase its membership dues in the amount of 2.73%;

WHEREAS, the proposed increase in dues will be from \$7.90 to \$8.11 per pupil based on the enrolment on September 30, 2009;

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Horrocks, seconded by Commissioner D'Avignon that Riverside School Board support the proposed budget presented by the QESBA for the 2010-2011 school year.

Commissioner Blais stated that Commissioner Horrocks should recuse herself from presiding over this portion of the meeting given her position as president of the QESBA. Commissioner Horrocks agreed immediately that this would be appropriate and Commissioner Cuffling took the chair for the remainder of the discussion.

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Sastre and seconded by Commissioner Gareau that the motion to approve the QESBA budget be tabled.

IN FAVOUR – 7
OPPOSED – 4
ABSTENTIONS – 2
CARRIED

Resolution HR259-20100824

APPOINTMENT OF AN ASSISTANT CENTRE DIRECTOR

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Blais, seconded by Commissioner Nichols that Claudine Turnbull be appointed as Assistant Centre Director effective on September 7, 2010.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Correspondence: Copies of the list are available. Commissioner Morrison asked the Director General for follow-up on a letter he had written to the Ministry regarding evaluation at the secondary 5 level.

Commissioner Horrocks stated that any commissioner interested in submitting his/her name for consideration to the Board of **Éducation Internationale** should contact her directly.

Mr. Michel Bergeron, Interim Director of Finance responded to a question from Commissioner L'Heureux regarding the **tax** rate.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS : None

ROUND OF APPLAUSE

- None

CLOSING:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Blais, seconded by Commissioner Copeman, at 10 p.m. that the meeting be closed.

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Debbie Horrocks, Vice-Chairman

Denise Paulson, Secretary General

CORRESPONDENCE - RIVERSIDE SCHOOL BOARD
10.08.24

<i>FROM</i>	<i>TYPE</i>	<i>SUBJECT</i>
Sherry Tite, Principal, CRHS	Letter to the Chairman	Thank you
Michelle Courchesne, MELS	Letter to the Chairman	Partnership agreement



**CONSEIL DES COMMISSAIRES
COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS**

Members are hereby convened to a regular meeting on
Tuesday, August 24, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Administration Centre
299 Sir-Wilfrid-Laurier Blvd., Saint Lambert, Québec.

REVISED AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order and Quorum
2. Adoption of the Agenda (a 10 minute break will be called during the meeting)
 - 2.1 Introduction of the Student Ombudsman: Mr. Peter Woodruff
3. Questions from the Public – 30 minutes
4. Approval of Minutes
 - 4.1 Adoption of the Minutes of the adjourned meeting of June 15, 2010 and the reconvened meeting of June 29, 2010
 - 4.2 Business arising from the Minutes of the reconvened meeting of June 29, 2010
5. Chairman and Director General
 - 5.1 Chairman's Report
 - 5.2 Director General's Report
 - 5.3 Parents' Committee Report
6. Committee Reports
 - 6.1 Executive
 - 6.2 Transportation
 - 6.3 Communication
 - 6.4 Education
 - 6.5 Finance and Audit
 - 6.6 Governance and Ethics
 - 6.7 Human Resources
 - 6.8 Material Resources and Safe Schools
 - 6.9 Q.E.S.B.A.
7. New Business
 - 7.1 Board Administration
 - 7.1.1 Voting by Telephone
 - 7.1.2 Election – Executive Committee
 - 7.1.3 Election – Transportation Advisory Committee
 - 7.1.4 Proposed QESBA Budget for 2010-2011
 - 7.2 Human Resources
 - 7.2.1 Appointment of an Assistant Centre Director
8. Correspondence
9. Other Business
 - 9.1 Commissioner Nominees to Éducation Internationale
 - 9.2 Tax issues
10. Questions from the Public – 20 minutes
11. Round of Applause (limit of 2 minutes/member)
12. Closing

Given at St. Lambert, Québec, on August 24, 2010

Denise Paulson
Secretary General