

COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the proceedings of a **regular** session of the Council of Commissioners for Riverside School Board held at Heritage Regional High School, 7445, chemin de Chambly, St. Hubert, Québec on January 21, 2014.

The Secretary General established that quorum was met and Chairman Moira Bell, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

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| M. Bell | J. Freund | N. Nichols |
| F. Blais | M. Gour | D. Pinel |
| P. Booth Morrison | D. Horrocks | S. Rasmussen |
| K. Cameron | D. Lamoureux | D. Smith |
| P. D'Avignon | M. L'Heureux | D. Smyth |
| H. Dumont | L. Llewelyn Cuffling | PARENTS – P. Chouinard, D. Copeman |

Regrets: A. Capobianco Skipworth, G. Sastre

Also present

Sylvain Racette, Director General
 Pierre Farmer, Assistant Director General
 Denise Paulson, Secretary General
 Michel Bergeron, Director of Financial Resources
 Wendy Bernier, Interim Director of Human Resources
 Mary Williams, Director of Educational Services
 Gail Somerville, Director of Complementary Services

Presence noted

S. LeSueur, Liz Poitras, Myra Kestler, Natalie Gruenefeld, Deborah Angelus, Mervin J. Hunter; members of the Governing Boards of Good Shepherd, Harold Napper, St. Jude and St. Lambert Schools as well as other interested parties.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Chouinard, seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen, that the agenda be adopted and that a copy be appended to the Minutes of this meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS

Resolution B485-20140121

REQUEST TO VOTE BY ELECTRONIC MEANS

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Pinel, that Anna Capobianco Skipworth and Gustavo Sastre be permitted to vote by electronic means.

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The Chairman made a statement regarding the consultation process which was culminating in the resolution before Council this evening.

Resolution B486-20140121

ADOPTION OF THE POLICY ON THE ENROLMENT CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Rasmussen, seconded by Commissioner Horrocks, that the Policy on the Enrolment Criteria for Registration be adopted with the following modifications:

- a) That the Zoning proposal be removed from the Policy on the Enrolment Criteria for Registration and adopted separately; and
- b) That the Policy be approved with the modified sections of text highlighted in yellow and a copy appended to these minutes.

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Resolution B487-20140121

ADOPTION OF THE ZONING PROPOSAL FOR 2014-2015

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Gour, seconded by Commissioner Cuffling, that the Zoning proposal for 2014-2015 be adopted with the following modifications:

- a) That Good Shepherd's request to remain an English stream school only be granted;
- b) That the proposed zoning changes for Harold Napper School be disregarded in favour of the school's original request to have Brossard sectors B, C, I, J, L, M, N, O as its zones;
- c) That the proposed zoning changes for St. Lambert Elementary be disregarded in favour of maintaining its previous zones (P, R, S, T and V sectors of Brossard; Le Moyne; Longueuil – the area situated southwest of Taschereau Boulevard (Saint-Lambert side of Taschereau) and Saint-Lambert);
- d) That Brossard sectors P, T and V be zoned to St. Jude for its English and French Immersion streams and M, N and O be zoned to St. Jude School for its French Immersion stream;
- e) That all Brossard sectors except A sector streets: Albert, Alcide, Allard and Aylmer, be zoned to Good Shepherd School for its English stream;
- f) That current in-zone students at Harold Napper School whose status will change to out-of-zone as a result of zoning changes be grandfathered to their current school and transportation be provided;
- g) That current siblings of students referred to in paragraph (f) above, be granted special in-zone status, as defined by the Policy on the Enrolment Criteria for Registration, until June 30, 2020; and
- h) That the request to rezone Pacifique Street to William Latter School not be approved.

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Resolution B488-20140121

MOTION REGARDING THE A SECTOR OF BROSSARD

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Gour, seconded by Commissioner Lamoureux that the A sector of Brossard be zoned to St. Jude School for its French Immersion program and that A sector streets: Albert, Alcide, Allard and Aylmer be zoned to St. Jude for its English program.

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PUBLIC QUESTIONS: Several questions were asked and statements made by various members of the public. The Chair responded and provided clarifications.

Council broke at 8:15 and resumed at 8:35.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 17, 2013

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner D'Avignon, seconded by Commissioner Lamoureux, that the Minutes of the meeting held on December 17, 2013 be adopted.

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Director General followed up:

- Nil

CHAIRMAN AND DIRECTOR GENERAL

Chair's report – M. Bell

- None

Director General's report – S. Racette

TOPICS THAT REQUIRED SPECIAL ATTENTION

Since the last Council meeting, there have been three expulsions from CRHS. One was for possession of drugs and the other two for violence.

The students who are expelled only from their school are still being serviced by us to help them address the events that lead to their expulsion. With the exception of the student who was expelled from all schools.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

The Director General reported on the meetings and events he attended.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- Launch of a staff Newsletter
- › Confirmation of a project with C.s. des Patriotes – Stationary Engineering
- › Acceptance of 3 requests for ententes in Vocational Education (Auto Mechanics with NFSB; Medical Secretarial Studies with LBPSB; Computing Support with SWLSB)
- › Employee recognition week - February 3rd

HATS OFF

- › To Lucie Roy, Director of Adult and Vocational Education and Technology, and her team for their extraordinary work!
- › To the Good Shepherd, Harold Napper, St. Jude and St. Lambert communities, our commissioners and administrators for their hard work during the rezoning process. All students will benefit from the decisions reached and this will make a big difference in moving forward.

Parents' Committee: D. Copeman

- Discussed the Planning Document and made a recommendation to Council
- The next meeting will be held on February 3rd 2014. Michel Bergeron, Director of Finance, will be in attendance.

REPORTS (non-voting items only)

Executive – F. Blais

- Met on January 7, 2014. Adopted resolutions related to the *Réseau de sport étudiant de la Montérégie*. Next meeting is on February 4, 2014 at 7 p.m.

Transportation Advisory – L. Cuffling

- Meeting held on January 14, 2014
- Reviewed the updated transportation budget
- Reviewed and unanimously recommended the updated Transportation Policy, which will be presented at a future Executive Committee.
- Had an update on the training and implementation of *Geobus* – the new software being implemented in the Transportation Department.
- Next meeting at the call of the Chair.

Education – D. Smith

- No meeting
- The next meeting will be held on January 28th.

Financial and Audit – P. Booth Morrison

- The next meeting will be held on January 28th, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Governance and Ethics – M. L'Heureux

- Met on January 7th immediately after the Executive.
- Spent much of the meeting time reviewing and discussing various other Policies of Conflict of Interest, mostly inspired by other school boards and private business firms.
- Presently, the Secretary General and I have the mandate to draft a first version and we have done so.
- A lot of fine tuning left to do but should be able to present at our next meeting on February 4th.

Human Resources – H. Dumont :

Meeting held on January 13th. The following topics were discussed:

- Rules of Governance for Standing Committees
- Regroupment Plans
- Youth Sector School Calendar 2014-15, and framework calendar draft for 15-16
- The Alternate School
- Teacher contracts 2013-2014
- Administrative salary adjustments
- HR Committee 2013-2014 schedule (work to complete)
- Next meeting at the call of the Chair

Material Resources and Safe Schools – K. Cameron

Met on January 14th. The following topics were discussed:

- The Alternate School program adaptations at Heritage
- The Alternate School building refresh
- 2014 extra projects related to air quality
- 2014 extra project assignments
- *Centre de formation en entreprise et recuperation* (CEFER) project analysis follow up
- Update on St. Johns' new gymnasium and classrooms
- Quebec Games Protocol – Chambly Academy and Heritage composter use
- Next meeting at the call of the Chair

QESBA – A. Capobianco

- In Commissioner Capobianco's absence, there was no report.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution HR375-20140121

SCHOOL CALENDARS 2014-2015 AND 2015-2016

WHEREAS this resolution was reviewed and is supported by the Human Resources Committee;

IT IS MOVED BY Commissioner Rasmussen, seconded by Commissioner Smyth, that the attached youth sector calendar be received for consultation which will run until March 7, 2014; and

Furthermore, that a Youth sector 2015-2016 school calendar identifying only vacation periods and school year beginning and ending dates be received for consultation for the same period.

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Resolution HR376-20140121

REGROUPMENT PLAN FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

WHEREAS this resolution was reviewed and is supported by the Human Resources Committee;

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Dumont, seconded by Commissioner Copeman, that the Board adopt the "Regroupment Plan for Teachers for 2014-2015, for the purpose of identifying the teachers to be declared excess, placed on availability or non-reengaged because of surplus", which has been prepared according to the provisions of Appendix II of the 2010-2015 teachers' Collective Agreement;

FURTHERMORE, that a copy of these plans be filed with and made a part of the official copy of the minutes of the proceedings of this meeting.

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Resolution HR377-20140121

REGROUPMENT PLAN FOR ADULT EDUCATION (GENERAL AND VOCATIONAL)

WHEREAS this resolution was reviewed and is supported by the Human Resources Committee;

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Nichols, seconded by Commissioner Chouinard, that the Board adopt the "Regroupment Plan for teachers in Adult Education (General and Vocational) for 2014-2015, for the purpose of identifying the teachers to be declared excess, placed on availability or non-reengaged because of surplus", which has been prepared according to the provisions of Appendix III of the 2010-2015 teachers' Collective Agreement; and

FURTHERMORE, that a copy of this plan be filed with and made a part of the official copy of the minutes of the proceedings of this meeting.

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Resolution E125-20140121

NEW LOCATION FOR THE ALTERNATE SCHOOL

WHEREAS the secondary school principals, with the support of the Board directorate, have recommended that The Alternate School (youth sector) be relocated to Centennial Regional High School for the 2014-2015 school year;

WHEREAS it is also proposed that a satellite class of The Alternate School (youth sector) be opened at Heritage Regional High School for the 2014-2015 school year;

WHEREAS it is also proposed that The Alternate School be closed as of June 30, 2015 and its deed of establishment revoked;

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Blais, seconded by Commissioner Smith, that The Alternate School (youth sector) be relocated to a closed area of Centennial Regional High School for the 2014-2015 school year, that a satellite class of The Alternate School (youth sector) be opened in a closed area at Heritage Regional High School for the 2014-2015 school year and that the deed of establishment of The Alternate School be revoked as of June 30, 2015, with the understanding that alternative programs will be offered at both Centennial and Heritage Regional High Schools as of 2015-2016.

IN FAVOUR 16
AGAINST 1 (Horrocks)
CARRIED

Resolution B489-20140121

POSITION STATEMENT ON THE PROPOSED CHARTER OF QUEBEC VALUES

WHEREAS Riverside School Board is committed to providing a stimulating and caring environment which enables all students to achieve personal success;

WHEREAS Riverside School Board endeavours to help open the minds of its students to the world and develop their ability to work with others while showing respect for cultural, social, and religious differences;

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Cameron and seconded by Commissioner Cuffling that Riverside School Board does not support Bill 60 entitled: "*The Charter affirming the values of state secularism and religious neutrality and the equality between men and women and providing a framework for accommodation requests*" because it does not address a need in our community.

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Ministry of Education, Recreation and Sport, as well as to the Members of the National Assembly situated on our territory.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Correspondence – None

PUBLIC QUESTIONS :

- Tanveer Naseer applauded Council for taking a position on the Charter of Quebec Values.
- Stéphane Routhier asked that changes be made to the personal information that appears on student report cards.

ROUND OF APPLAUSE

- Happy birthday to Commissioners Cameron and D'Avignon
- Commissioner Lamoureux thanked parents and the people around the Council table for a job well done.
- Parent Commissioner Copeman congratulated the Chairman regarding the article that appeared in the St. Lambert Journal.
- Commissioner Smith congratulated Lucie Roy for all her hard work in obtaining additional programs for ACCESS.
- Commissioner Gour praised the pamphlets from Access as she has been able to respond to questions she receives from the public.
- Chairman Bell thanked Val Macleod for ensuring that Riverside School Board was on the tour agenda of a delegation from Australia. The visit was stimulating and was good in-house PD.

CLOSING:

IT IS MOVED by Commissioner Horrocks, seconded by Commissioner Blais at 9:10, that the

meeting be closed.

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Moira Bell, Chairman

Denise Paulson, Secretary General

2014-2015

PLAN DE REGROUPEMENT - PRIMAIRE
REGROUPEMENT PLAN – ELEMENTARY

INSTRUCTION GIVEN IN ENGLISH

Dance
Drama
English Language Arts
General Subjects
Music
Physical Education and Health
Special Education
Visual Arts

INSTRUCTION GIVEN IN FRENCH

Art dramatique
Arts plastiques
Danse
Éducation physique et santé
Enfance inadaptée
French Immersion
French Second Language
Informatique
Musique

2014-2015

PLAN DE REGROUPEMENT - SECONDAIRE
REGROUPMENT PLAN – SECONDARY

INSTRUCTION GIVEN IN ENGLISH

Computer Sciences
Dance
Drama
English Language Arts
Ethics and Religious Culture
Guidance
Human Sciences
Home Economics
Mathematics
Music
Physical Education and Health
POP (Personal Orientation Project)
Science and Technology
Special Education
Visual Arts

INSTRUCTION GIVEN IN ANOTHER LANGUAGE

Éthique
Français
French Second Language
Sciences et technologie
Sciences humaines
Spanish

2014-2015

***PLAN DE REGROUPEMENT
EDUCATION DES ADULTES
REGROUPEMENT PLAN – ADULT EDUCATION***

Computers
English Language Arts
English Second Language
French Second Language
Human Sciences
Mathematics
Natural Sciences
Personal & Social Development
Physical Education
Resource
Social Integration
Sociovocational Integration
Spanish
Visual Arts

***PLAN DE REGROUPEMENT
FORMATION PROFESSIONNELLE
REGROUPEMENT PLAN – VOCATIONAL EDUCATION***

Accounting
Secretarial Studies
Starting a Business
Health Care
Masonry - Bricklaying
Pharmacy Technical Assistance

Members are hereby convened to a **regular** meeting of Council
at 7:30 p.m. on January 21, 2014 at **Heritage Regional High School**
7445 chemin de Chambly, St. Hubert, QC

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order and Quorum
2. Adoption of the Agenda (a 10 minute break may be called during the meeting)
3. New Business
 - 3.1 Adoption of the Policy on the Criteria of Enrolment for Registration
 - 3.2 Adoption of the Zoning Proposal for 2014-2015
4. Questions from the Public – 30 minutes
5. Approval of Minutes
 - 5.1 Adoption of the Minutes of the regular meeting of December 17, 2013
 - 5.2 Business arising from the Minutes of the regular meeting of December 17, 2013
6. Chairman and Director General
 - 6.1 Chairman's Report
 - 6.2 Director General's Report
 - 6.3 Parents' Committee Report
7. Committee Reports
 - 7.1 Executive
 - 7.2 Transportation
 - 7.3 Education
 - 7.4 Finance and Audit
 - 7.5 Governance and Ethics
 - 7.6 Human Resources
 - 7.7 Material Resources and Safe Schools
 - 7.8 Q.E.S.B.A.
8. Continuation of New Business
 - 8.1 Deposit for consultation of school calendars for 2014-2015 and 2015-2016
 - 8.2 Regroupment plan for elementary and secondary education
 - 8.3 Regroupment plan for adult education (general and vocational)
 - 8.4 Relocation of the Alternate School (youth sector)
 - 8.5 Position Statement on the Charter of Quebec Values
9. Correspondence
10. Other Business
11. Questions from the Public – 20 minutes
12. Round of Applause (limit of 2 minutes / member)
13. Closing

Given at St. Hubert, Québec, on January 16, 2014.

Denise Paulson, Secretary General