

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON 2002-04-17

A Special meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board was held in the boardroom of the Administration Centre, 235 Montée Lesage, Rosemere, QC on Tuesday, 2002-04-17 at 19:30 hours, at which were present:

Steve Bletas, Chairman; William Pollock, Vice-Chairman; Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, Morten Schrier, and Edward Turchyniak, Commissioners; Linda Iaconetti and Ghislaine Tanner, Parent Commissioners; and Dominic Martini, Director General.

Also present were: Robert Vallerand, Deputy Director General; François Badin, Director of Human Resources; Jean-Guy Messier, Director of Information Services; Livia Nassivera, Director of Financial Resources; Raymond Thivierge, Director of Material Resources; and Jocelyne Thompson-Ness, Administrative Assistant. Several other persons were also in the audience.

Absent: Natalie Auclair, Walter Fogel, Glen Haines, Peter MacLaurin, Nancy Rupnik and Mary Svolteis, Commissioners.

Guest: Giordano Rosa-del-Vecchio.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 19:34 hours.

1.0 APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

The Chairman reported that the Selection Committee for the position of Director of Educational Services had been comprised of three Commissioners, the President of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrator's Association, the future Director General and the Deputy Director General.

Nazario Facchino entered the meeting.

TIME: 19:35 hours

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Chairman noted that four internal candidates had been interviewed for the position.

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WHEREAS this position of Director of Educational Services was posted and a Selection Committee was convened;

Carolyn Curiale MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee, that the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board appoint **Effie Maniatis** to the position of Director of Educational Services, effective 2002-07-01 in accordance with the "Regulation Governing the Working Conditions of Management Staff of School Boards" and the Management Policy of the Board.

Carried unanimously

The Chairman extended congratulations to Mrs. Maniatis on behalf of the board and invited Mrs. Maniatis to address the Council.

Mrs. Maniatis thanked the Council of Commissioners and the Selection Committee for the vote of confidence and noted that she is prepared for the challenge.

The Director General congratulated Mrs. Maniatis and noted that she will be facing a considerable challenge in improving student success results in light of the recent publication of the 2001 June provincial examination results which show that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board placed first among the English school boards in Québec and that it continues to have the highest graduation rate among the school boards of the Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière region.

He went on to note that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board had placed 11th in the overall graduation results out of the 69 school boards in the province.

He also commented on an article that appeared in the 2002-04-17 edition of "The Gazette" which cited the poor results in Math 436 did not apply to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board because it had placed 1st among English school boards and best in the region with 7% over the provincial average in this subject.

Linda Iaconetti entered the meeting.

TIME: 19:42 hours

Nick Milas MOVED adjournment of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 19:43 hours

NEXT MEETING ⇨ REGULAR ⇨ 2002-04-24