

## PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON 2001-10-24

A Regular 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 Wednesday, 2001-10-24 at 19:30 hours, at which were present:

Steve Bletas, Chairman; William Pollock, Vice-Chairman; Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines; Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Mary Svotelis, 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; Laiq Hanafi, Director of Educational Services; Jean-Guy Messier, Director of Information Services; Agostino Santini, Senior Advisor to Management; Raymond Thivierge, Director of Material Resources; and Jocelyne Thompson-Ness, Recording Secretary. Several other persons were also in the audience.

Absent: Natalie Auclair and James McDougall, Commissioners.

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

**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The following additions and changes to the agenda were proposed:

**6.0 CORPORATE AFFAIRS:**

- 6.3 Teachers Work Slowdown.....INFO  
6.4 Pierre Elliott Trudeau E.S. Update.....INFO

**15.0 MATERIAL RESOURCES :**

- 15.2 Snow Removal 2001-2002 .....RES

**011024-CA-0024**

Ghislaine Tanner MOVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended in document #2001/10/24-CA-001.

**Carried unanimously**

**2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

In a verbal notice Walter Fogel advised that on page 0600 of the minutes of the meeting held on 2001-09-25 in paragraph 7, line 2 the word "Board" should read "Boards" and that an "a" should be added after the words "to send".

Mary Svotelis, in a verbal notice, advised that on page 0600 of the same minutes in paragraph 9, line 2 the date should read "2001-11-10 and 2001-11-11" not "2001-11-17 and 2001-11-18".

In a verbal notice Carolyn Curiale advised that also on page 0607 in resolution #010925-IT-0023, paragraph 3, line 2 should have the word "which" added after 50590 and the word "on" deleted after the word "expired".

Walter Fogel advised that on page 0608 in the last paragraph the words "lack of parking" should be replaced by "a proposal to charge for parking".

The Council entered into discussion on the proposed corrections.

#### 011024-CA-0025

Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT the minutes of the REGULAR meeting of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2000-09-25, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as corrected.

#### THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

**YEA:** Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

**NAY:** Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec

**ABST:** Pierre Garofano, Mary Svolteis

### 3.0 QUESTION PERIOD

In response to a question from David Modlin, a parent from Lewis King Elementary School, the Director General confirmed the possibility of teachers taking job action sometime in November but that until such actions are known the board cannot speculate as to how it will affect students.

### 4.0 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman advised the Council of Commissioners that the Ministre de l'Éducation had called a meeting for the Chairs of school boards on 2001-11-02.

The Chairman thanked Linda Iaconetti and Ghislaine Tanner, Parent Commissioners, for all their contributions during the 2000-2001 school year and wished them well for the upcoming elections of the 2001-2002 Parent Commissioners.

He went on to present the completed painting of the new Administration Centre that had been generously donated by Mrs. Da Silva, mother of Grace Nesi, and offered the board's appreciation.

The Chairman advised the Council of Commissioners that Lorraine Archambault, Director of Financial Resources, was on medical leave at least until the end of December and that the Director General will be the acting Director of Financial Resources during her absence.

He went on to announce that Laiq Hanafi, Director of Educational Services, is retiring at the end of December and extended thanks to him on behalf of the Council for all his contributions to education over the past thirty-two years.

### 5.0 BUSINESS ARISING

#### 5.1 *Sale of Land in Rosemère:*

The Director General advised the Council that the Garderie la Petite Ardoise had accepted an offer of land from the Ville de Rosemère and would not be renewing its offer of purchase of land owned by the board.

#### 5.2 *Disaster Relief Conference:*

The Director General advised that he had reviewed the promotion material for the Disaster Relief Conference and found that it is intended for highly specialized groups and did not believe that it would be appropriate for him to delegate Principals to attend the conference.

The Council entered into discussion.

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Linda Gagnon withdrew the resolution she presented at the 2001-09-25 meeting of the Council.

### **5.3 Break-In at Adult Education Centre:**

In response to a question from Edward Turchyniak at the 2001-09-25 meeting of the Council, the Director of Material Resources advised that theft of computers totalled 9 200\$ and that the board's insurance carrier had covered 8 200\$ of the loss as there is a 1 000\$ deductible.

He went on to advise the Council that the contract with the security company was not specific enough for the board to hold it responsible for the breach in security service.

The Council entered into discussion.

The Director General advised that the security company had had the contract for the past twelve years and that until this break-in the board had not experienced any problems with the service. He noted that the board would be going to tender for security services upon the conclusion of this current contract.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel concerning page 0599 of the minutes of 2001-09-25 and the transportation request of Manuela Pires, the Director General informed the Council that the matter had been resolved to the satisfaction of Mrs. Pires.

In response to an additional question from Mr. Fogel also regarding page 0599 on concerns expressed by Mr. & Mrs. Maniakis over split classes at Souvenir Elementary School, the Director General advised that he had spoken with Mrs. Maniakis and with the Principal of the school. He reported that the Principal of the school met with Mrs. Maniakis to explain how her child's needs will be addressed.

In response to a further question from Mr. Fogel, the Director General noted that the work to repair and install additional ice barriers at Rawdon Elementary & Middle School had been completed. He further noted that the board had been advised to remove the snow on the roof, when it exceeds three feet in depth that it will be removed.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel concerning the response of the Director General to David Modlin on page 0608, the Director General informed the Council that the document requested by Mr. Modlin is not a public document as it pertains to ongoing negotiations with the Ville de Mascouche.

## **6.0 CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

### **6.1 Sale of Alcohol:**

On a "point of order" Walter Fogel advised the Council that it cannot dispose of the matter concerning the sale of alcohol unless this power is withdrawn from the Executive Committee.

## **011024-CA-0026**

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners recall the power delegated to the Executive Committee on the matter of granting authorization for the sale of alcohol as part of lease arrangements for schools, AND THAT this recall of power from the Executive Committee be only for the purposes of disposing of the request from Mountainview Elementary School to sell alcohol at a fundraising activity.

011024-CA-0027

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages at a fundraising activity of the Mountainview Elementary School as part of the lease arrangements for 2001-11-10. AND THAT the lease only be valid upon receipt of a copy of the issued permit required to conform to provincial law.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Mary Svtelis, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Walter Fogel

### 6.2 Canadian Summit:

The Director General provided the Council with background information on the Canadian Summit Conference on "*Performance Accountability and Assessment in Education*".

The Council entered into discussion.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director General advised that the estimated cost of the conference is 12 000\$ and that 2 Commissioners and 3 Administrators would be attending.

011024-CA-0028

Mary Svtelis MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners authorize Carolyn Curiale and Steve Bletas to attend the Canadian Summit on "*Performance Accountability and Assessment in Education*" in Toronto on November 26-27-28 and accept to defray their costs for registration, travel and other related expenses in accordance with board policy to a maximum amount of 2 400,00\$ each.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Mary Svtelis, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec

### 6.3 Teachers Work Slowdown:

In response to a concern expressed by Steve Kmec on the rumour of teacher work slowdowns, the Director General advised that the board will monitor the situation and implement any action necessary should the need arise.

### 6.4 Pierre Elliott Trudeau E.S. Update:

In response to a question from Steve Kmec concerning the telephone and hydro servitude at Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary School in Blainville, the Director General advised that he has been verbally informed that a servitude will be signed to allow the permanent installation of wires for both telephone and hydro but that he is currently awaiting a written response since the person who must grant the servitude has been known to modify his demands.

7.0 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

There was no business to be concluded.

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## 8.0 FINANCIAL RESOURCES

### 8.1 2000-2001 Financial Statement:

The Director General informed the Council that the auditor has not been able to complete the audit for this evening and that the 2000-2001 Financial Statement would have to be presented at the regular meeting of the Council in November.

He went on to note that the auditor has expressed three major concerns:

1. Taxation – the board needs to collect unpaid taxes but in the meantime an amount must be written off.
2. Student Fees – the board needs to collect unpaid student fees but must write off a large sum of uncollected accounts receivable.
3. Fiber Optic Network – that board will have to reserve 250 000\$.

The Director General advised the Council that the unpaid tax accounts will be sent for collection by bailiffs. In the case of unpaid students fees some schools have elected to use a collection agency and others will become more determined in collecting these fees in fairness to parents who do pay and because of its impact on budgets

The Council entered into discussion.

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director General noted that the school fees are accounts receivable and that when the fees are collected by a collection agency they are returned to the school.

### 8.2 Statement of Taxes in Arrears:

The Director General presented the statement of taxes in arrears noting that some of these taxes are from previous boards and that a portion of these will be written off annually.

The Council entered into discussion.

Nancy Rupnik left the meeting.

**TIME: 20:47 hours**

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director General noted that a resolution of the Council to proceed will be required before a property is seized for unpaid taxes.

Carolyn Curiale left the meeting.

**TIME: 20: 49 hours**

Nancy Rupnik returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 20:50 hours**

## 011024-FR-0029

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board accept, in accordance with section 339 of the Education Act, the statement prepared by the director of financial resources for the director general for school taxes remaining in arrears as at 2001-10-15 in the amount of **3 358 871,99\$**.

**Carried unanimously**

**8.3 Proposed Policy #2001-FR-02: Issuance of Tax Receipts:**

The Director General commented on the proposed policy noting that the board is often asked to issue a tax receipts. He advised that the board can issue tax receipts to individuals for a monetary donation to a school or to the board but not to a foundation established by a school.

Carolyn Curiale returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 20:52 hours**

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director General noted that the Director of Financial Resources has advised that tax laws do not allow the issuance of tax receipts to corporations for donations.

**011024-FR-0030**

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve in principle proposed policy #2001-FR-02: Issuance of Tax Receipts.

**Carried unanimously**

Walter Fogel left the meeting.

**TIME: 20:55 hours**

**9.0 QESBA**

Carolyn Curiale advised that a written summary of Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) activities would be included in the meeting package for November.

Peter Haldimand left the meeting.

**TIME: 20:56 hours**

Walter Fogel and Peter Haldimand returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 20:57 hours**

**10.0 PARENT COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

Linda Iaconetti advised the Council that the Parents Committee had elected the following officers for the 2001-2002 school year: Jack Fitch, Parent Delegate for Mountainview Elementary School, as Chairman; Tony Masi, Parent Delegate for John F. Kennedy Elementary School, as Vice-Chairman; Chris Arnaoutelis, Parent Delegate for Hillcrest Academy, as Treasurer; Ilene Geringer-Smith, Parent Delegate for Laurentian Regional High School, as Secretary, and Maria Olivier, Parent Delegate for Laval Catholic High School, as 3L Representative on the FCPPQ.

Linda Iaconetti and Ghislaine Tanner thanked the Council for all their support over the past year.

**011024-CA-0031**

Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT congratulations be extended to Jack Fitch, Parent Delegate from Mountainview Elementary School, on his re-election as Chairman of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board Parents Committee.

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA: Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Mary Svtelits, Edward Turchyniak**

**11.0 HUMAN RESOURCES**

There was no business to be concluded.

**12.0 USE OF SCHOOLS****12.1 *Repatriation of McLearn Students:***

The Director General reviewed the proposal to repatriate students from Charlemange, LeGardeur and Repentigny #that currently attend the McLearn school in Montreal.

In response to a concern expressed by Steve Kmec, the Director General noted that this resolution is an advice to the English Montreal School Board and to parents of students who attend McLearn from the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board territory of the board's intention to educate all students who reside in the territory of the board in its own schools.

In response to an additional question from Mr. Kmec, the Director General reminded the board that the lease for the Holy Rosary annex is renewed annually and that a government subsidy is received to cover the cost of the lease.

**011024-TS-0032**

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board presently has an inter-board agreement with English Montreal School Board to provide elementary education to students from LeGardeur, Repentigny and Charlemagne and surrounding area at McLearn School in Montreal;

WHEREAS the above stated agreement will end on June 30, 2003;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to provide educational services to all students on its own territory;

Walter Fogel MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Committee on Use of Schools and Other Facilities, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board advise English Montreal School Board that effective the 2003-2004 school year the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board does not intend to renew the interboard agreement for students living in Le Gardeur, Repentigny and Charlemagne areas;

AND THAT all new student registrations for students living in the Le Gardeur, Repentigny and Charlemagne areas, beginning with the 2002-2003 school year, will be directed to schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board serving those areas.

**Carried unanimously**

**12.2 *Enrollment Criteria 2002-2003***

The Director General presented the proposed enrollement criteria for 2002-2003 commenting on the changes.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director General noted that special education students are provided with transportation in accordance with the board's transportation policy.

The Council entered into discussion.

**011024-TS-0033**

Walter Fogel MOVED THAT the proposed enrollment criteria be amended by striking item 2.0.

**THIS MOTION WAS DEFEATED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:**

**Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec**

**NAY:**

**Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin,**

ABST:

Nick Milas, Morten Schrier

**0617**

Linda Gagnon excused herself for the evening.

**TIME: 21:22 hours**

**011024-TS-0034**

Walter Fogel MOVED THAT the proposed enrollment criteria be amended as follows:

- Item 3.1 » add the word "AND" after the semi-colon;
- By striking the words "Subject to availability of space, on a first come first served basis" in items 3.2, 3.3, and 3.4.

**THIS MOTION WAS DEFEATED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:**

Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec

**NAY:**

Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Mary Svtelis, Edward Turchyniak

**ABST:**

Morten Schrier

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director General advised that the school board does admit students with a provisional eligibility certificate but that the board ends up absorbing the cost of educating the student if the parents fail to produce the required documents to confirm their child's eligibility before 30 June.

In response to a question from Peter Haldimand, the Director General advised that the enrollment criteria must be presented annually.

**011024-ED-0035**

WHEREAS section 239 of the Education Act states *"Each year, every school board shall enroll students in its schools in keeping with the choice of each student's parents or the choice of the student, if of full age. However, if the number of applications for enrollment in a school exceeds the capacity of the school, enrollment shall be effected according to the criteria established by the school board after consultation with the parents' committee";*

WHEREAS section 239 of the Education Act states *"Enrolment criteria must give priority to students coming under the jurisdiction of the school board and, as far as possible, to students whose place of residence is nearest to the school premises. They must be adopted, put into force and sent to each governing board at least 15 days before the beginning of the student enrollment period";*

WHEREAS section 239 of the Education Act states *"The conditions or criteria for participation in a special project may not serve as criteria for enrollment in a school; nor may they operate to exclude a student from the school of the student's choice if the student has a right to enroll in that school pursuant to the criteria referred to in the first paragraph";*

WHEREAS the section 193 (6) of the Education Act (R.S.Q., chapter H-13.3) requires that the Parents' Committee be consulted annually on the criteria for the enrollment of students in schools, which exceed the capacity of the school;

WHEREAS the registration period for students for 2002 - 2003 is the week of February 11, 2002;

Morten Schrier MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve in principle the establishment of the following criteria for enrollment of students in its schools, subject to the availability of space, for the 2002 - 2003 school year:

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- 1.0 The schools under the jurisdiction of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board will accept requests for admission for students who have attained the age of admission as defined by the Education Act (at least 5 years of age as of September 30, 2002) or who have obtained an exemption from the age requirement;
- 2.0 Students must have obtained a certificate of eligibility for English language education prior to their first day of school.
- 3.0 Enrollment to a school will be based on the criteria established in the following priority order:
  - 3.1 Students who reside ***within*** the school ***attendance zone*** as established by the school board;
  - 3.2 Subject to availability of space, on a first come first served basis, students who are currently attending that school who reside outside the established school ***attendance zone*** and whose parents/guardians agree to provide transportation;
  - 3.3 Subject to availability of space, on a first come first served basis, siblings of students who are currently attending that school who reside outside the established school ***attendance zone*** and whose parents/guardians agree to provide transportation;
  - 3.4 ***Subject to availability of space, on a first come first served basis, students who reside outside the established school attendance zone and where the requested service is not available in their zoned school. The parents/guardians agree to provide transportation;***
  - 3.5 ***Subject to availability of space, on a first come first served basis, students who reside outside the established school attendance zone and where the requested service is available in their zoned school. The parents/guardians agree to provide transportation;***
  - 3.6 Subject to availability of space, on a first come first served basis, students who are under the jurisdiction of another school board but are subject to an agreement between that school board and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and whose parents/guardians agree to provide transportation;
- 4.0 Transportation to a school will be **provided in accordance with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board Transportation Policy** only to students who reside **within the school attendance zone** established by the school board. Parents will assume the cost and responsibility of transportation for students residing outside the **school attendance zone**.
- 5.0 In schools where alternative programs have been approved for 2002 - 2003, students will be required to meet the admission requirements where they exist.
- 6.0 To enable the School Board to provide an appropriate placement, admission requests for special needs students ***requiring*** specialized services or programs must be made in writing, before May 31, 2002. **This request, indicating the special needs of the student, must be submitted to Special Education Services for validation.** Should the school board be unable to provide services for a student, the school board will ensure that educational services are made available through an agreement with another school board or institution. Requests for admission to

specialized services or programs received after May 31, 2002 will be considered by the school board and accepted pending the availability of space.

**0619**

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Mary Svoltelis, Edward Turchyniak

**NAY:** Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

### **13.0 TRANSPORTATION**

There was no business to be concluded.

### **14.0 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

There was no business to be concluded.

### **15.0 MATERIAL RESOURCES**

#### **15.1 Entente with Deux-Montagnes for Park at Mountainview E.S.:**

The Director General provided the Council with an update on the negotiations with the Ville de Deux-Montagnes on its proposal to the board to construct a park adjacent to Mountainview Elementary School.

Morten Schrier excused himself for the evening.

**TIME: 21:29 hours**

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director General advised that the agreement with the Ville de Deux-Montagnes is beneficial for the school even though it is for 20 years as it is based on the current protocol of agreement with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and provides the school with a much needed playground and paved parking lot.

Peter MacLaurin left the meeting.

**TIME: 21:31 hours**

He also noted that the board retains ownership of the land on which the park is to be constructed.

Peter MacLaurin returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 21:33 hours**

### **011024-MR-0036**

WHEREAS the Ville de Deux-Montagnes has proposed to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board a project whereby the Ville de Deux-Montagnes would construct a playground on the land adjacent to Mountainview Elementary School;

WHEREAS Mountainview Elementary School would have the right of use to this park and facilities on school days;

WHEREAS the Ville de Deux-Montagnes will maintain the park equipment and grounds;

WHEREAS the Ville de Deux-Montagnes will install security lights to ensure that the park, parking lot and the school are visible;

WHEREAS the Ville de Deux-Montagnes will construct a paved parking lot and ensure that these facilities are adequately fenced;

WHEREAS the existing protocol on reciprocal services between the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and the Ville de Deux-Montagnes will be maintained;

WHEREAS the Ville de Deux-Montagnes has provided an outline of an eventual protocol for the use of the land adjacent to Mountainview Elementary School;

WHEREAS this project would be financed entirely by the Ville de Deux-Montagnes;

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Nancy Rupnik MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve in principle to permit the Ville de Deux-Montagnes to construct a playground on the vacant lot adjacent to Mountainview Elementary School subject to final acceptance of the project plans.

AND THAT the use of the vacant lot adjacent to Mountainview Elementary School be subject to the outline of the proposed protocol submitted to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and contained in document #SWLSB-2001/10/24-MR-001;

AND FURTHER THAT this project be subject to the consultation of the Mountainview Elementary School Governing Board.

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Mary Svtelis, Edward Turchyniak

**NAY:** Steve Kmec

#### **15.2 Snow Removal 2001-2002:**

The Director General presented the additional snow removal contracts for 2001-2002 noting that the addition to the John F. Kennedy Elementary School contract is to cover snow removal on the new bus ramp which had not been constructed at the time of tendering the original contract.

Grace Nesi left the meeting.

**TIME: 21:40 hours**

In response to several questions over the increase in the McCaig Elementary School contract, the Director General advised that at the request of the Material Resources Committee the board had re-tendered the contract only to have it come in at a higher bid than the original. He noted that there was only one bidder for this contract.

Grace Nesi returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 21:42 hours**

#### **011024-MR-0037**

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has called invitational tenders for snow removal service contracts for some of its buildings;

WHEREAS tender documentation was in compliance with the Board's specifications;

WHEREAS the Material Resources Committee has recommended the acceptance of the tenders listed below;

Steve Kmec MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board accept the following tenders for snow removal service contracts for the 2001-2002 winter season:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Cost / Removal</b>	<b>Cost / Salting</b>
Gérard Trépanier & Fils	John F. Kennedy E.S. (RAMP)	900\$ Addition to original contract	60,00\$/hr For all buildings
Charles Maisonneuve	McCaig Elementary	2 500\$	50,00\$/hr

			For all buildings
George Daoust Inc.	Laval Catholic H.S.	14 800,00\$	60,00\$/hr For all buildings

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**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Mary Sotelis, Edward Turchyniak

**NAY:** Walter Fogel

**ABST:** Grace Nesi

#### **16.0 QUESTION PERIOD**

Anita Van der Ven, a parent from Lake of Two Mountains High School, congratulated the board on its decision to reclaim unpaid taxes.

She went on to suggest that the schools and the board start to use email as a means of communication with parents in order to facilitate a more direct contact with parents and to eliminate having to search through school bags for information being sent home from the school for parents.

In response to a concern expressed by David Modlin, the Director General advised that all field trips to the United States have been cancelled but that travel within Canada is permitted.

#### **17.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

The Chairman drew the Council's attention to the Director's reports contained in the information section of the package.

#### **18.0 VARIA**

The was no varia.

#### **19.0 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Nazario Facchino MOVED adjournment of the meeting.

**Carried unanimously**

**TIME: 21:50 hours**

**NEXT MEETING ⇒ REGULAR ⇒ 2001-11-28**

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**Robert Vallerand, Secretary General**

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**Steve Bletas, Chairman**