

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON 2002-06-26

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, 2002-06-26 at 19:30 hours, at which were present:

Steve Bletas, Chairman; William Pollock, Vice-Chairman; Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin (Svotelis), Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, Nancy Rupnik, 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: Glen Haines, Commissioner.

Guest: Giordano Rosa-del-Vecchio.

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:

6.7 Security of Students, Personnel & Property.....INFO

8.0 HUMAN RESORUCES:

~~8.4 Dismissal.....RES~~

020626-CA-0189

William Pollock MOVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended in document #2002/06/26-CA-001.

Carried unanimously

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In a verbal notice Walter Fogel advised that on page 0693 of the minutes of the meeting held on 2002-05-22 his vote on resolution #020522-CA-0133 should be recorded as an "ABST" not a "YEA".

- Page 0694 – Item 7.0, 1st paragraph, 3^d line, the word "*suppoert*" is spelled incorrectly and should read "*support*".

020626-CA-0190

Grace Nesi MOVED THAT the minutes of the REGULAR meeting of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2002-05-22, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as corrected.

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THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Natalie Auclair

In a verbal notice Walter Fogel advised that on page 0711 of the minutes of the special meeting held on 2002-06-19 in the last paragraph, 3rd line the word “*apart*” should be replaced by the word “*part*”.

He further noted that on page 0712 of the same minutes the resolution concerning the Appeals Review Committee at the top of the page was not tabled, therefore, it is not necessary to include it as part of the minutes.

In the same minutes the following secretarial errors were noted:

- Page 0708 – In the 1st paragraph the time should read 19:30 hours not 20:00 hours.
- Page 0714 – At the end of resolution #020619-TS-0175 the words “*Carried unanimously*” were omitted.

020626-CA-0191

Ghislaine Tanner MOVED THAT the minutes of the SPECIAL meeting of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2002-06-19, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as corrected.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Natalie Auclair, Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Steve Kmec, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik

3.0 QUESTION PERIOD

In response to a question from Marlene Flannery, a parent from Repentigny, concerning the transportation of secondary students to John Paul I and Laurier MacDonald High Schools of the English Montreal School Board, the Chairman advised that though parents have the right to choose a school for their child(ren) outside of the school district in which they reside, they must, however, assume responsibility for transportation.

He went on to note that during the 1998-1999 school year, the first year of the amalgamation of school boards, there was a transportation agreement with the English Montreal School Board for the transportation of secondary students to John Paul I and Laurier MacDonald schools but that any transportation provided since then has been without the knowledge or agreement with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

He further noted that the agreement with the English Montreal School Board for the transportation of elementary students to the McLearn School concludes at the end of the 2002-2003 school year.

The Chairman advised that he would ask for a meeting with the English Montreal School Board to review this matter and advise Mrs. Flannery of the outcome.

Mrs. Flannery thanked the Council for its time.

Walter Fogel and Edward Turchyniak left the meeting.

TIME: 20:02 hours

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4.0 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman advised the Council that the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) will be holding its Fall Professional Improvement Workshop on Saturday, 2002-09-28 and that further details would be forthcoming.

Walter Fogel and Edward Turchyniak returned to the meeting.

TIME: 20:04 hours

He went on to advise the Council that the Québec Government has reviewed all recommendations concerning Bill 104: *An Act to amend the Charter of the French Language* and will not be making any major changes to the original proposed bill outside of allowing siblings of special education students to attend the same school.

He extended congratulations to the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) for its representation of English school boards on the issues of Bill 104.

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING

5.1 2002-2003 School Calendars:

The Director General provided background information on the continued discussions regarding the various calendars adopted in April and recommended rescinding those resolutions so as to avoid confusion when adopting the definitive calendars for 2002-2003.

020626-ED-0192

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and the Laurier Teachers Union have undertaken further negotiations on the calendars for school year 2002-2003;

WHEREAS the Parents' Committee and the governing boards from both Lewis King and Holy Rosary elementary schools have requested the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to harmonize the March breaks in relation to the other schools of the board;

Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board rescind the following resolutions #020424-ED-0113, #020424-ED-0114, # 020424-ED-0115, #020424-ED-0116, #020424-ED-0117 and #020424-ED-0118.

Carried unanimously

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director General advised that in these revised calendars, as in the previous ones adopted, at the secondary level there are 180 instructional days including those days set aside for examinations.

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director General noted that specific pedagogical days may vary for some schools but all schools of the board will have the same spring break.

020626-ED-0193

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and the Laurier Teachers Union have reached an agreement on the placement of the 200 working days for teachers and that this agreement respects the local arrangements negotiated between Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and Laurier Teachers Union;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has accepted the request from the Parents' Committee to harmonize the March break for all schools;

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WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has accepted the requests from the governing boards of both Holy Rosary and Lewis King elementary schools to harmonize their March break with the other schools of the board and furthermore will budget an amount of 25 000 \$ to offset the additional transportation costs;

Natalie Auclair MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the following school and centre calendars for the 2002-2003 school year, as per documents #SWLSB-2002/06/26-ED-001, #SWLSB-2002/06/26-ED-002, #SWLSB-2002/06/26-ED-003, #SWLSB-2002/06/26-ED-004, #SWLSB-2002/06/26-ED-005, and #SWLSB-2002/06/26-ED-006.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel

020626-ED-0194

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has adopted calendars, which satisfy the conditions established in the local agreement between itself and the Laurier Teachers Union;

WHEREAS teachers have repeatedly stated that they require more time to prepare themselves to implement the new curriculum;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board specifically increased the number of pedagogical days from 17 at the secondary level and 18 at the elementary level to 20 in order to provide teachers with additional time to prepare themselves to implement the new curriculum;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is accountable for the implementation of the new curriculum;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and the Laurier Teachers Union have agreed to calendars in which floating pedagogical days are not fixed but left to the discretion of each school;

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Director General or his delegate to take the appropriate measures to ensure that principals use at least two of the floating pedagogical days for activities related to curriculum reform; AND THAT the placement of the floating pedagogical days be approved by the governing board of the school.

Carried unanimously

The Director General reviewed the composition of the Appeals Review Committee noting that it is composed of eight Commissioners including a Parent Commissioner.

The Chairman called for nominations for seat #1 on the Appeals Review Committee.

Edward Turchyniak nominated Grace Nesi. Mrs. Nesi accepted the nomination.

Steve Kmec nominated Walter Fogel. Mr. Fogel accepted the nomination.

The Chairman closed nominations and called for a vote.

Votes for Walter Fogel:

FOR: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

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AGAINST: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

Votes for Grace Nesi:

FOR: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

AGAINST: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

The Chairman declared Grace Nesi elected by majority vote to seat #1 on the Appeals Review Committee.

The Chairman called for nominations for seat #2 on the Appeals Review Committee.

Pierre Garofano nominated Linda Gagnon. Mrs. Gagnon accepted the nomination.

The Chairman closed nominations and called for a vote.

Votes for Linda Gagnon:

FOR: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

AGAINST: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec

ABSTENTION: Morten Schrier

The Chairman declared Linda Gagnon elected by majority vote to seat #2 on the Appeals Review Committee.

The Chairman called for nominations for seat #3 on the Appeals Review Committee.

Linda Gagnon nominated Nancy Rupnik. Mrs. Rupnik accepted the nomination.

Steve Kmec nominated Walter Fogel. Mr. Fogel accepted the nomination

The Chairman closed nominations and called for a vote.

Votes for Walter Fogel:

FOR: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

AGAINST: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James

McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

Votes for Nancy Rupnik:

FOR: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

AGAINST: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

The Chairman declared Nancy Rupnik elected by majority vote to seat #3 on the Appeals Review Committee.

The Chairman called for nominations for seat #4 on the Appeals Review Committee.

James McDougall nominated Edward Turchyniak. Mr. Turchyniak declined the nomination.

Carolyn Curiale nominated Peter MacLaurin. Mr. MacLaurin accepted the nomination

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The Chairman closed nominations and called for a vote.

Votes for Peter MacLaurin:

FOR: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

AGAINST: Walter Fogel

ABSTENTION: Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

The Chairman declared Peter MacLaurin elected by majority vote to seat #4 on the Appeals Review Committee.

The Chairman called for nominations for seat #5 on the Appeals Review Committee.

Pierre Garofano nominated Peter Haldimand. Mr. Haldimand accepted the nomination.

Nick Milas nominated Carolyn Curiale. Mrs. Curiale declined the nomination

The Chairman closed nominations and called for a vote.

Votes for Peter Haldimand:

FOR: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

AGAINST: Walter Fogel

ABSTENTION: Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

The Chairman declared Peter Haldimand elected by majority vote to seat #5 on the Appeals Review Committee.

The Chairman called for nominations for seat #6 on the Appeals Review Committee.

Grace Nesi nominated James McDougall. Mr. McDougall accepted the nomination.

The Chairman closed nominations and called for a vote.

Votes for James McDougall:

FOR: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Edward Turchyniak
AGAINST: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec, Nancy Rupnik
ABSTENTION: Morten Schrier

The Chairman declared James McDougall elected by majority vote to seat #6 on the Appeals Review Committee.

The Chairman called for nominations for seat #7 on the Appeals Review Committee.

Nancy Rupnik nominated Carolyn Curiale. Mrs. Curiale accepted the nomination.

Morten Schrier nominated Walter Fogel. Mr. Fogel declined the nomination

The Chairman closed nominations and called for a vote.

Votes for Carolyn Curiale:

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FOR: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak
AGAINST: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec

The Chairman declared Carolyn Curiale elected by majority vote to seat #7 on the Appeals Review Committee.

020626-CA-0195

Mary Austin MOVED THAT the following Commissioners be named to the Appeals Review Committee for the 2002-2003 school year:

Carolyn Curiale	James McDougall
Linda Gagnon	Grace Nesi
Peter Haldimand	Nancy Rupnik
Peter MacLaurin	Parent Commissioner

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

6.0 CORPORATE AFFAIRS

6.1 Recommendation from the Appeals Review Committee:

The Director General reported on the Appeals Review Committee meeting held in the matter of Student "A" noting that the Committee did not support the recommendation of the Principal and the Director General for expulsion and has recommended that Student "A" be suspended for the remainder of the 2001-2002 school year and be transferred to another school of the board for the 2002-2003 school year.

The Chairman MOVED THAT the Council go into committee. **TIME: 20:22 hours**

The meeting resumed. **TIME: 21:34 hours**

The Chairman turned the chair over to the Vice-Chairman and left the meeting.
TIME: 21:34 hours

The Council entered into discussion on the terms of the student in question being reintegrated into a Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board school for the 2002-2003 school year.

020626-CA-0196

WHEREAS the Director General has received, in accordance with section 242 of the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3), a request from a high school Principal to expel Student "A";

WHEREAS the Director General supports this request for expulsion;

WHEREAS the Appeals Review Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board met on 2002-06-03 to hear the parent of Student "A";

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WHEREAS the Appeals Review Committee has deliberated on the hearing and is recommending to the Council of Commissioners that Student "A" be suspended for the balance of the 2001-2002 school year; AND THAT he be transferred to Western Laval High School for the 2002-2003 school year;

Walter Fogel MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board accept the recommendation of the Appeals Review Committee.

AND THAT the reintegration of Student "A" be contingent upon his attending meetings on a regular basis with a Guidance Counsellor at Western Laval High School.

FURTHER THAT this case will be referred back to the Council of Commissioners in the event that that Student "A" does not conform to the discipline code of Western Laval High School.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Linda Gagnon, Peter Haldimand, James McDougall, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik

The Chairman returned to the meeting and resumed the chair. **TIME: 21:47 hours**

The Chairman called for a 5-minute recess. **TIME: 21:48 hours**

The meeting resumed. **TIME: 21:55 hours**

6.2 Composition of Executive Committee:

020626-CA-0197

WHEREAS section 179 of the Education Act requires that the Council of Commissioners establish an Executive Committee of from five (5) to seven (7) of its members entitled to vote, including the Chairperson of the school board and any Commissioner representing the Parents' Committee;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners determines the term of office of the members of the committee;

Morten Schrier MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board maintain an Executive Committee composed of seven (7) of its members entitled to vote, including the Chairperson of the school board; and Parent Commissioners.

Carried unanimously

6.3 Term of Office of the Executive Committee:

020626-CA-0198

Steve Kmec MOVED THAT the term of office for the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board be two (2) years or until the next school board election, whichever comes first.

Carried unanimously

6.4 Executive Committee Election Procedures:

WHEREAS it is necessary for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to elect Commissioners to its Executive Committee for a two (2) year term of office or until the next school board election, whichever comes first ;

WHEREAS it is advisable to establish a clear procedure under which these elections will take place;

Nazario Facchino MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board maintain the election procedures as outlined in document #P2000-CA-07: Executive Committee Election Procedures.

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Carolyn Curiale asked that section 2.4 of the procedure be amended to read “*Voting is by secret ballot.*”

Nazario Facchino accepted the amendment.

020626-CA-0199

WHEREAS it is necessary for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to elect Commissioners to its Executive Committee for a two (2) year term of office or until the next school board election, whichever comes first;

WHEREAS it is advisable to establish a clear procedure under which these elections will take place;

Nazario Facchino MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board maintain the election procedures as amended in document #P2000-CA-07: Executive Committee Election Procedures.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Mary Austin, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier

NAY: Natalie Auclair, Steve Bletas, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, James McDougall, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Peter MacLaurin

6.5 Election of Executive Committee:

Peter MacLaurin nominated Robert Vallerand for Chairperson of Elections to the Executive Committee. Mr. Vallerand accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, the Chairman called for the vote.

020626-CA-0200

Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT Robert Vallerand be appointed as the Chairperson of Elections to the Executive Committee.

Carried unanimously

The Chairman declared Robert Vallerand Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee by acclamation.

The Chairman turned the meeting over to the Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee.

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee called for nominations for the two positions of Scrutineer.

Carolyn Curiale nominated Dominic Martini and Giordano Rosa-del-Vecchio to act as Scrutineers. Mr. Martini and Mr. Rosa-del-Vecchio accepted the nominations.

020626-CA-0201

Carolyn Curiale MOVED THAT Dominic Martini and Giordano Rosa-del-Vecchio be appointed as the Scrutineers for the Elections to the Executive Committee.

Carried unanimously

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The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee called for nomination for seat #1 on the Executive Committee.

Steve Bletas nominated Pierre Garofano. Mr. Garofano accepted the nomination.

020626-CA-0202

William Pollock MOVED THAT there being no further nominations that nominations cease and the vote called.

Carried unanimously

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee declared Pierre Garofano elected by acclamation to seat #1 of the Executive Committee.

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee called for nomination for seat #2 on the Executive Committee.

Pierre Garofano nominated Linda Gagnon. Mrs. Gagnon accepted the nomination.

020626-CA-0203

William Pollock MOVED THAT there being no further nominations that nominations cease and the vote called.

Carried unanimously

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee declared Linda Gagnon elected by acclamation to seat #2 of the Executive Committee.

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee called for nomination for seat #3 on the Executive Committee.

Natalie Auclair nominated Edward Turchyniak. Mr. Turchyniak accepted the nomination.

020626-CA-0204

Steve Bletas MOVED THAT there being no further nominations that nominations cease and the vote called.

Carried unanimously

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee declared Edward Turchyniak elected by acclamation to seat #3 of the Executive Committee.

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee called for nomination for seat #4 on the Executive Committee.

Grace Nesi nominated Carolyn Curiale. Mrs. Curiale declined the nomination.

Mary Austin nominated James McDougall. Mr. McDougall accepted the nomination.

020626-CA-0205

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT there being no further nominations that nominations cease and the vote called.

Carried unanimously

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The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee declared James McDougall elected by acclamation to seat #4 of the Executive Committee.

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee called for nomination for seat #5 on the Executive Committee.

Edward Turchyniak nominated Peter MacLaurin. Mr. MacLaurin accepted the nomination.

020626-CA-0206

Natalie Auclair MOVED THAT there being no further nominations that nominations cease and the vote called.

Carried unanimously

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee declared Peter MacLaurin elected by acclamation to seat #5 of the Executive Committee.

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee called for nomination for seat #6 on the Executive Committee.

Nancy Rupnik nominated Carolyn Curiale. Mrs. Curiale accepted the nomination.

Linda Iaconetti nominated Nazario Facchino. Mr. Facchino accepted the nomination.

William Pollock nominated Peter Haldimand. Mr. Haldimand accepted the nomination.

020626-CA-0207

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT there being no further nominations that nominations cease and the vote called.

Carried unanimously

The vote was taken by secret ballot and tallied by the Scrutineers.

The Chairman of Elections to the Executive Committee declared Carolyn Curiale elected by a majority vote to seat #6 of the Executive Committee.

020626-CA-0208

Nick Milas MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board name the following Commissioners to the Executive Committee for the period 2002-07-01 TO the earlier of the date of the next school board election but not too exceed 2004-06-30:

Carolyn Curiale
Linda Gagnon
Pierre Garofano

Peter MacLaurin
James McDougall
Edward Turchyniak

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel

ABST: Steve Kmec

020626-CA-0209

Steve Bletas MOVED THAT the ballots be destroyed.

Carried unanimously

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The Chairman of Elections turned the chair back over to the Chairman of the Council of Commissioners.

6.6 2004 AAESQ / QESBA Spring Conference:

The Chairman advised that Council that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has been asked by the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) to act as hosts of the 2004 Spring Conference.

The Deputy Director General advised that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators Association (SWLAA) will be discussing this matter at its meeting to be held on 2002-06-27 and will advise the board of its position concerning the invitation of the QESBA.

The Council entered into discussion.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director General advised that the QESBA and the AAESQ would also contribute funding to cover the initial costs of organizing the conference.

020626-CA-0210

WHEREAS the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) has invited the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to act as hosts for the 2004 AAESQ / QESBA Spring Conference to be held in May 2004;

WHEREAS the Association of Administrators of English Schools of Quebec (AAESQ) and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators Association (SWLAA) have likewise been invited to act as co-hosts of the conference and have accepted the invitation;

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board accept the invitation of the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) to act as hosts of the 2004 AAESQ / QESBA Spring Conference to be held in May 2004.

AND THAT 25 000\$ for the preliminary planning of this conference be included in the 2003-2004 budget.

AND THAT the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Vice-Chairman, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Deputy Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning the preliminary planning of this conference.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel

Linda Gagnon and Edward Turchyniak left the meeting.

TIME: 22:19 hours

6.7 Security of Students, Personnel & Property:

Walter Fogel inquired as to why the in-school Administrators have yet to complete the final day of the course on Emergency Preparedness and why they have not presented their respective detailed Emergency Preparedness plans to the board.

The Chairman turned the chair over to the Vice-Chairman and left the meeting.

TIME: 22:21 hours

The Council entered into discussion.

Nick Milas left the meeting

TIME: 22:22 hours

Linda Gagnon and Edward Turchyniak returned to the meeting.

TIME: 22:23 hours

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James McDougall left the meeting.

TIME: 22:26 hours

Walter Fogel MOVED THAT the Emergency Preparedness Committee be reconstituted as a separate committee outside the existing guidelines as they relate to other board committees and that its composition be decided on at a later date.

AND THAT the Emergency Preparedness training course for Principals initiated in 2000-2001 be completed.

FURTHER THAT the Principals be required to see to the completion a comprehensive Emergency Preparedness Plan for their respective school in accordance with their responsibility for security in their schools as laid out in the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3).

Natalie Auclair left the meeting.

TIME: 22:28 hours

The Director General advised the Council of a recent chemical spill at Rosemere High School noting that the school's handling of the situation was commended by the civil authorities and that common sense will prevail in most situations whether or not there is an Emergency Preparedness Plan.

Mr. Fogel indicated that he did not consider the school's plan complete and comprehensive enough to cover all emergencies.

020626-CA-0211

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT the motion on the reconstitution of the Emergency Preparedness Committee be tabled.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Mary Austin, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Peter MacLaurin, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

The Chairman returned to the meeting and assumed the chair.

TIME: 22:29 hours

020626-CA-0212

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT the meeting be extended until the completion of the agenda.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Grace Nesi, William Pollock, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Mary Austin, Morten Schrier

7.0 FINANCIAL RESOURCES

7.1 Employee Computer Purchase Program:

The Director General provided background information on the renewal of the Employee Computer Purchase Program.

James McDougall and Nick Milas returned to the meeting.

TIME: 22:33 hours

Walter Fogel excused himself for the evening.

TIME: 22:33 hours

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020626-FR-0214

WHEREAS the Directorate and the Financial Resources Committee recommend that a Computer Purchase Program for Full-Time Employees be renewed for the 2002-2003 school year;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board will advance to any employee a designated sum upon presentation of proof of purchase and the signing of a contract for repayment, as per document #SWLSB-2002/06/26-FR-001;

WHEREAS the employee agrees to reimburse the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board the advance sum plus interest calculated at **5%** on the declining balance;

Peter Haldimand MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee, the Council of Commissioners approve the renewal of the Computer Purchase Program for Full-Time Employees as per the conditions set out in document #SWLSB-2002/06/26-FR-001.

Carried unanimously

Natalie Auclair returned to the meeting.

TIME: 22:34 hours

7.2 Budget 2002-2003:

The Director General reviewed the 2002-2003 budget highlighting the significant changes.

He went on to advise that the Financial Resources Committee had studied the budget and supported it.

The Council entered into discussion.

Nazario Facchino left the meeting.

TIME: 22:36 hours

Nazario Facchino returned to the meeting.

TIME: 22:41 hours

020626-FR-0213

WHEREAS in accordance with the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.1), the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board must adopt and submit to the Minister its operating, investment and debt service budget for the 2002-2003 school year;

WHEREAS the Minister has authorized the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School to adopt a budget, which provides for expenditures that exceed the revenues of the school board;

WHEREAS the standardized assessment included in the real estate tax base which was used to prepare the budget is established in the amount of 3 339 034 060,00 \$ in conformity with the law and the 2002-2003 budgetary rules;

WHEREAS the budget establishes the tax rate for the 2002-2003 school year at 0,35\$ per 100\$ of assessment;

WHEREAS this rate respects the limits permitted by law;

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee, the operating, investment and debt service budget for the 2002-2003 school year be adopted and submitted to the Minister of Education for approval under the terms and conditions determined by the Minister; AND THAT the tax rate be established at 0,35\$ per 100\$ of assessment.

Carried unanimously

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Edward Turchyniak extended thanks to the Director of Financial Resources for the time and effort put into the preparation of the budget.

8.0 HUMAN RESOURCES

8.1 Engagement of Principal:

020626-HR-0215

Nancy Rupnik MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board promote **Gaëtane Marquis** to the position of Principal, effective 2002-07-01, in accordance with the Regulation Respecting the Conditions of Employment

of Management Staff of School Boards and the Management Policy of the Board; AND THAT she be assigned to **St-Jude Elementary School**.

Carried unanimously

8.2 Engagement of Vice-Principal:

020626-HR-0216

Linda Iaconetti MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director General, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board promote temporarily **Gaëlle Absolonne** to the position of Vice-Principal, effective 2002-07-01, in accordance with Article 5-5.00 of the Quebec Provincial Association of Teachers Collective Agreement and her individual contract; AND THAT she be assigned to **Terry Fox Elementary School**.

Carried unanimously

Morten Schrier excused himself for the evening.

TIME: 22:45 hours

8.3 Engagement of Educational Consultants:

020626-HR-0217

Natalie Auclair MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the engagement of **Barry Hannah**, as a full-time Educational Consultant at the Curriculum Centre effective 2002-08-05, as per Article 5-2.00 of the Union of Professionals (CEQ).

Carried unanimously

020626-HR-0218

William Pollock MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the engagement of **Franco De Luca**, as a full-time Educational Consultant at the Curriculum Centre effective 2002-08-12, as per Article 5-2.00 of the Union of Professionals (CEQ).

Carried unanimously

9.0 PARENT COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Linda Iaconetti reported that the Parents Committee has adjourned for the 2001-2002 school year, therefore, there was no report.

10.0 USE OF SCHOOLS

There was no business to be concluded.

11.0 TRANSPORTATION

There was no business to be concluded.

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12.0 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

12.1 Table Éducation:

The Chairman drew the Council's attention to the written report on the activities of the Table éducation, which advises our education representative to the Centre régional de développement de Laval (CRDL) on issues that may appear or be placed on the CRDL agenda.

13.0 MATERIAL RESOURCES

13.1 Engagement of Contractors:

The Director General reviewed the engagement of contractors for the various projects of the board being conducted over the summer months.

020626-MR-0219

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has resolved to undertake the painting of the Crestview Elementary School;

WHEREAS the public tenders were opened on 2002-06-17;

WHEREAS the Material Resources Committee recommends that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

Grace Nesi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the painting (walls and lockers only) of Crestview Elementary School to **Amenagement Dibek** for a total cost of 29 906,50\$, taxes included.

Carried unanimously

020626-MR-0220

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has resolved to undertake the painting of the Souvenir Elementary School;

WHEREAS the public tenders were opened on 2002-06-17;

WHEREAS the Material Resources Committee recommends that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

Ghislaine Tanner MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the painting (walls and lockers only) of Souvenir Elementary School to **Amenagement Dibek** for a total cost of 54 061,75\$, taxes included.

Carried unanimously

020626-MR-0221

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has resolved to undertake the rebuilding of the roof at Joliette High School;

WHEREAS the public tenders were opened on 2002-05-21;

WHEREAS the Material Resources Committee recommends that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

WHEREAS the lowest bid is in the amount of 31 746,90\$, taxes included;

WHEREAS additional work could be undertaken, within the approved budget, for an amount of 16 045,99\$, taxes included;

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Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the rebuilding of the roof at Joliette High School to **Bellemare Couvertures** for a total cost of 47 792,89\$, taxes included.

Carried unanimously

The Director General advised that Council that the replacement of windows at Western Laval High School has been a long-term project and this installation would be the second to last phase of the project.

020626-MR-0222

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has resolved to undertake the replacement of the windows at Western Laval High School;

WHEREAS the public tenders were opened on 2002-05-30;

WHEREAS the Material Resources Committee recommends that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the replacement of the windows at Western Laval High School to **Portes et fenêtres ADG** for a total cost of 36 808,00\$, taxes included.

Carried unanimously

13.2 Summer Capital Projects:

The Director General reviewed the annual summer capital projects.

020626-MR-0223

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to satisfy priority needs in its schools;

WHEREAS the schools have expressed their needs;

WHEREAS the Directorate has reviewed the requests and classified these requests in order of board-wide priorities;

WHEREAS the Material Resources Committee supports these capital priorities

Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved the summer capital priorities for its schools for a total amount of 440 615,00\$, as per Document #SWLSB-2002/06/26-MR-001.

Carried unanimously

13.3 Snow Removal Contracts 2002-2003, 2003-2004, 2004-2005:

020626-MR-0224

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;

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Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee, the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board accept the following tenders for snow removal service contracts for the 2002-2003, 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 winter season, taxes excluded:

Contractor	Building	Cost / Removal	Cost / Salting
Sylvain Brouillette	Joliette Elementary School	2 000,00\$	125,00\$/trip
	Joliette High School	2 000,00\$	

Carried unanimously

14.0 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

There was no business to be concluded.

15.0 QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

16.0 CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman drew the Council's attention to the various reports contained in the meeting package.

17.0 VARIA

The Chairman reminded the Council of the workshop on 2002-07-08 with the new Director General and encouraged members to attend.

He went on to note that this evening is the occasion of the last meeting of Dominic Martini as Director General and thanked him for his leadership over the past four years.

The Vice-Chairman presented Mr. Martini with a "Pollock Paddle" for his immense contributions to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

Mr. Martini thanked the Council for its support over the past four years noting that he will miss many aspects of the board and that he will remain committed to service in education in his retirement.

He went on to extend good luck to the incoming Director General.

18.0 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

James McDougall MOVED adjournment of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 23:02 hours

NEXT MEETING ⇨ REGULAR ⇨ 2002-08-28

Robert Vallerand, Secretary General

Steve Bletas, Chairman