

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON 2007-12-12

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, 2007-12-12 at 19:30 hours, at which were present:

Commissioners Steve Bletas, Chairman; Carolyn Curiale, Vice-Chair; Georges Benoit, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Tom Mouhteros, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik and Edward Turchyniak; and Lisa Chartier and Luc Samson, Parent Commissioners; and Anne-Marie Lepage, Director General.

Also present were: Alain Guay, Assistant Director General; Marie-Claude Drouin, Secretary General; Stéphane Boulanger, Assistant Director of Human Resources; Line Desgroseilliers, Director of Information Technology; Heather Halman, Director of Educational Services; Daniel Hogue, Director of Material Resources; Livia Nassivera, Director of Financial Resources; George Paquette, Director of School Organization; Johanne Brabant, Interim Director of Adult & Vocational Education; and Jocelyne Thompson-Ness, Administrative Assistant. Several other persons were also in the audience.

Absent: Commissioners Steve Mitchell, Albina Pace, and William Pollock.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 19:37 hours.

1.0 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

The following additions to the agenda were proposed:

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14.0 PARENTS COMMITTEE:

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15.0 QESBA:

15.1 Report of the QESBAINFO

15.2 2007-2008 QESBA Membership FeesRES

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Commissioner Mike Pizzola MOVED THAT the agenda be accepted as corrected in document #SWLSB-2007/12/12-CA-001.

Carried unanimously

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

CC-071212-CA-0090

Commissioner Steve Kmec MOVED THAT the minutes of the REGULAR meeting of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2007-11-28, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as corrected.

Carried unanimously

3.0 QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

4.0 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

4.1 Chairman's Report:

The Chairman advised the Council that he is a member of the "Comité régional pour le programme d'accès à des services de santé et des services sociaux en langue anglaise" and due to other commitments he can no longer attend the meetings. He inquired if there would be a Commissioner from the Laval area who would be interested in replacing him.

Commissioner Walter Fogel volunteered to replace the Chairman on this committee.

The Chairman continued noting that a letter of congratulations to all recently elected Commissioners was received from Michelle Courschesne, Ministre de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS). Also received from the Ministre was an upcoming consultation on the future of school boards. The Ministre has invited 32 associations, including the Quebec School Boards Association (QESBA), to meet with her to discuss this issue based on a series of questions and those groups that have not been asked to meet are invited to submit a written brief. A working document of the questions will be available shortly.

The Council entered into discussion and it was agreed that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board should be pro-active on this issue and form a sub-committee to draft a written brief.

In response to a question from the Chairman, the Director of Educational Services noted that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board had five students that received 100% on Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) exams in several subjects. She noted that 232 students within the school board that received 100% and that honouring them at a Council meeting poses a problem due to the large number. Options are being investigated as to how students can be recognized for academic and other types of achievements.

The Chairman asked that the Director of Educational Services invite the students who achieved 100% in several subjects to the next meeting of the Council of Commissioners so that they may be recognized.

5.0 FINANCIAL RESOURCES

5.1 Report of the Chairperson – Financial Resources Committee:

The Chairman advised that Council that Commissioner Merle Parkinson had been **elected** as the Chair of the Financial Resources Committee for 2007-2008.

Commissioner Parkinson commented on the first meeting of this new mandate noting, that the committee reviewed the audited financial statements and that the school board is in a deficit; therefore, the necessary steps must be taken to recoup the funds so that a recovery plan is not necessary. A Special meeting of the committee was also held with the auditor and Commissioners and Directors were invited to attend.

Commissioner Edward Turchyniak left the meeting.

TIME: 19:55 hours

5.2 2006-2007 Financial Statements:

The Director of Financial Resources presented the 2006-2007 Financial Statements noting that the school board currently has a deficit of 690 427\$.

The Chairman turned the chair over to the Vice-Chair and left the meeting. **TIME: 19:57 hours**

She went on to highlight certain areas of the financial statements noting clawbacks, accumulated deficit, revenues, expenses, variances (positive and negative), additional taxation revenues from 2005-2006 that were not clawed back by the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS), and debt servicing.

The Chairman returned to the meeting and resumed the chair.

TIME: 20:02 hours

The Director of Financial Resources noted that at time of the audit there was a negative variance in the capital budget due to the renovation/construction projects at the CDC Laurier-Vimont and the CDC Laurier-Pont-Viau, but that these projects have now received authorized funding from the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS).

Commissioner Edward Turchyniak returned to the meeting.

TIME: 20:04 hours

The Council entered into discussion.

In response to a question from Commissioner Steve Kmec, the Director of Financial Resources noted that it is hoped that when the revised budget has been completed, funds will be recovered in order to have a balanced budget. The goal is to not have this deficit negatively impact the schools.

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WHEREAS the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3) requires that a school board submits annual financial statements;

WHEREAS the firm Gagnon, Roy, Brunet, Chartered Accountants, has completed the audit of the records and statements of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the period ending 2007-06-30;

WHEREAS in accordance with section 286 of the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3) a public notice was given on 2007-11-25 and the financial statements were published on 2007-12-06;

WHEREAS the financial statements have been submitted to the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) BY THE October 31, 2007 deadline, as requested by the MELS;

WHEREAS the financial statements show revenues of 125 531 927\$. expenses of 133 188 706\$. , and a net accumulated deficit of 690 428\$. , including 494 204\$. in school surpluses;

WHEREAS the financial results of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board have been negatively impacted by taxation clawbacks covering 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 for a total amount of 1 483 560\$;

Commissioner Merle Parkinson MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board accept the **2006-2007 Financial Statements** for the period ending 2007-06-30, subject to final approval by the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS).

AND THAT the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the **Vice-Chair**, as well as the Director General, and in her absence or with her knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning these financial statements.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Tom Mouhteros, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners voting NAY:	Steve Kmec
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Mike Pizzola

5.3 Statement of Taxes Outstanding:

The Director of Financial Resources commented on the annual statement of taxes outstanding noting that the current arrears for 2007-2008 is larger than normal due to the implementation of the new method of the payment of taxes in two instalments.

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Parent Commissioner Lisa Chartier MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, 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 outstanding as of 2007-11-01 in the amount of 6 676 888\$.

Carried unanimously

6.0 BUSINESS ARISING

6.1 2008-2009 Enrolment Criteria:

The Director of School Organization reviewed the 2008-2009 enrolment criteria noting that the Parents Committee was consulted and that it supported the proposed criteria as written.

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WHEREAS section 239 of the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3) 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 *“Enrollment 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 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 2008-2009 is the week of 2008-02-04;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board Parents Committee have been consulted and endorses the 2008-2009 enrollment criteria;

Commissioner George Benoit MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the School Organization Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve in principle the establishment of the criteria for enrollment of students in its schools, subject to the availability of space, for the 2008-2009 school year.

Carried unanimously

On a “point of business arising”, Commissioner Walter Fogel referred to page 1787 of the minutes of the meeting held on 2007-11-28, paragraph 7, inquiring if the Director General had met with members of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) to resolve the issue of claiming certain expenses.

The Director General indicated that the meeting has not yet taken place due to scheduling conflicts and she has asked SEAC for a firm date.

In response to a question from Commissioner Steve Kmec, the Director of Adult & Vocational Education advised that pamphlets of services offered are available at employment offices in the Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière regions.

The Chairman asked that the Director of Adult & Vocational Education provide **statistics** from this distribution.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS & CORPORATE AFFAIRS

7.1 Report of the Chairperson – Communications & Public Relations:

The Chairman advised that Commissioner Tom Mouhteros was elected as Chairman of the Communications & Public Relations Committee (CPRC) for 2007-2008.

Commissioner Mouhteros commented on the first meeting of CPRC noting the review of requests for publicity campaigns to increase enrolment in certain schools, publicity for the 2007-2011 Strategic Plan, the design of the new corporate Web site, the Laurier Galas and the campaign to promote Tel-jeunes.

In response to a question from Commissioner Steve Kmec, the Chairman indicated that the promotion of the safety and security in the schools would be placed on the next agenda of CPRC.

7.2 SWL Foundation:

Commissioner Edward Turchyniak advised that 329 tickets to the 2008-01-10 Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation Gala have been sold. It should be a very entertaining evening.

7.3 Mandate to Negotiate – Franklin Hill E.S.:

The Secretary General provided background information on the conflict concerning the excavation for the construction of Franklin Hill Elementary School noting that the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) has advised the school board to enter into mediation with Consortium MR Canada Ltée to try to resolve the conflict without court action. In order to be able to move ahead with this mediation a mandate to negotiate is required.

She went on to note that the MELS would assist with any additional costs but the school board needs to show that it has exhausted every avenue to reach a settlement.

The Council entered into discussion and it was noted that this conflict has been going on for three years and the legal filing was completed just before the prescribed deadline.

The Director of Material Resources indicated that a reasonable amount of compensation needs to be determined before entering into mediation.

In reponse to a question from Commissioner Merle Parkinson, the Chairman indicated that at this time no legal fees have been invoiced for this case as it is not going to court but to mediation.

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WHEREAS a conflict has arisen, with regard to the cost of the excavation for the construction of Franklin Hill Elementary School;

WHEREAS Consortium MR Canada Ltée, the General Contractor of the project, is requesting payment of 366 248,33\$ for this excavation;

WHEREAS this payment is being contested by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, and thus remains unpaid;

WHEREAS Consortium MR Canada Ltée has filed a motion to institute legal proceedings against the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, which was received by the school board on 2007-07-30;

WHEREAS on 2007-09-24, Consortium MR Canada Ltée requested that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board suspend all legal proceedings in order to resolve this issue by mediation;

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the school board to resolve this issue by mediation;

Commissioner Nick Milas MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Communications & Public Relations Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Secretary General and the Director of Material Resources to enter into negotiations with Consortium MR Canada Ltée.

AND THAT these negotiations be conducted in the presence of a mediator.

AND THAT they be authorized to conclude a settlement not exceeding XXXXX\$, all taxes included.

AND THAT a request be made to the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) for these additional costs to be covered by Measure 50520: Demande d'allocation de fonctionnement et des investissements.

FURTHER THAT the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the **Vice-Chair**, as well as the Director General, and in her absence or with her knowledge the Deputy Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this settlement.

Carried unanimously

8.0 MATERIAL RESOURCES

8.1 Date of Next Material Resources Committee:

The Director of Material Resources advised the Council that the next meeting of the Material Resources Committee will be held on 2008-01-09.

8.2 Synthetic Playing Field Project – Change Orders:

The Director of Material Resources reviewed the change orders on the synthetic playing field project at 3200 boul. Souvenir noting that they total 22 828,40\$, all taxes and the installation of the scoreboard included.

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WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #070523-MR-0161 awarding the contract for the installation of a synthetic field at 3200, boul. Souvenir O. to Entreprises VG for a total cost of 1 074 859,73\$;

WHEREAS change orders were negotiated by the architect and consulting engineers with the general contractor, in the amount of 22 828,40\$, exceeding the original cost;

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize the Director of Material Resources to increase the budget for the installation of a synthetic field at 3200, boul. Souvenir O. project to 1 097 688,13\$.

AND THAT this budget modification replaces the amount approved in resolution #070523-MR-0161.

FURTHER THAT the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the **Vice-Chair**, as well as the Director General, and in her absence or with her knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning these change orders.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Tom Mouhteros, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners voting NAY:	Walter Fogel

8.3 CDC Laurier-Pont-Viau – Change Orders:

The Director of Material Resources reviewed the change orders on the CDC Laurier-Pont-Viau renovation/construction project.

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WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #070926-MR-0027 approving a modification to resolution #CC-070228-MR-0111 changing the total cost to 3 512 007,73\$, all taxes included, for the renovation project of the Competency Development Centre (CDC) Laurier – Pont-Viau facilities;

WHEREAS, during the construction, more change orders occurred to address specific issues, amounting to 190 169,75\$, all taxes included;

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that there will be additional change orders for a maximum total amount of 17 092,50\$ all taxes included;

Commissioner Mario Di Domenico 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 approve a modification to resolution #070926-MR-0027 by changing the total cost of the project to 3 719 269,95\$, all taxes included, reflecting the necessary change orders and the provision of 17 092,50\$ for the anticipated additional change orders.

AND THAT, the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the **Vice-Chair**, as well as the Director General, and in her absence or with her knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Tom Mouhteros, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Walter Fogel

9.0 HUMAN RESOURCES

9.1 Date of Next Human Resources Committee:

The Assistant Director of Human Resources advised the Council that the first meeting of the new mandate of the Human Resources Committee would be held on 2008-01-15.

9.2 Assignment / Engagement of Principal:

The Director General reviewed the transfer of Karen Moore to the position of Principal at Laurentian & Grenville Elementary Schools.

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WHEREAS the Principal of Laurentian & Grenville Elementary Schools was assigned to another school, effective 2007-12-03;

WHEREAS the position of Principal of Laurentian & Grenville Elementary Schools is currently vacant;

Commissioner Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director General, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board transfer **Karen Moore** to the position of Principal, effective 2008-01-07, AND THAT she be assigned to Laurentian & Grenville Elementary Schools.

Carried unanimously

10.0 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

10.1 *Date of Next Education Committee:*

The Director of Educational Services noted that the next meeting of the Education Committee would be on 2008-01-07.

The Assistant Director General left the meeting.

TIME: 20:39 hours

11.0 SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

11.1 *Date of Next School Organization Committee:*

The Director of School Organization advised that the next meeting of the School Organization Committee would be held on 2008-01-08.

12.0 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

12.1 *Date of Next Information Technology Committee:*

The Director of Information Technology advised that the next meeting of the Information Technology Committee would be held on 2008-01-22.

The Assistant Director General returned to the meeting.

TIME: 20:41 hours

13.0 ADULT & VOCATIONAL EDUCATION:

13.1 *Director's Report:*

The Director of Adult & Vocational Education advised that the next meeting of the committee would be held on 2008-01-16.

14.0 PARENT COMMISSIONERS REPORT

14.1 *Parents' Committee Report:*

Parent Commissioner Lisa Chartier commented on the last meeting the Parents Committee noting that its plan of action for 2007-2008 would be bullying and nutrition.

She went on to note that the committee had many questions as to why the standing committees of the school board are not open to the public and why are the minutes of these committees not public.

In response to the comments expressed by the Parents Committee concerning the standing committees of the school board, the Chairman noted that Parent Commissioners act as a liaison between the Council of Commissioners and the Parents Committee.

The Council entered into discussion and it was noted that there is obviously a communication breakdown with the imparting of information to the Parents Committee. The Director General was asked to inquire at the next meeting of the Parents Committee exactly where the problems are as to the communication of information, as the school board has strived to be transparent.

Commissioner Walter Fogel indicated that he would welcome the opening of standing committees and the Executive Committee to the public.

15.0 QESBA

15.1 *Report of the QESBA:*

Commissioner Carolyn Curiale noted that the next meeting is 2008-01-25.

15.2 2007-2008 QESBA Membership Fees – Balance:

On a “point of order”, Commissioner Walter Fogel asked that the following resolution be amended by striking the words “on the recommendation of the Executive Committee”.

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolution #CC-071128-CA-0086 in order to pay the balance of the Quebec School Boards Association (QESBA) membership fees for 2007-2008;

WHEREAS some of the enrolment figures were not accurate;

Commissioner Carolyn Curiale MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board rescind resolution #CC-071128-CA-0086.

Commissioner Carolyn Curiale accepted the amendment but pointed out that resolutions have been worded in this manner for many years.

The Council entered into discussion and the Chairman asked Commissioner Fogel to provide the Council with the information stating that the Executive Committee cannot make a recommendation to the Council.

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WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolution #CC-071128-CA-0086 in order to pay the balance of the Quebec School Boards Association (QESBA) membership fees for 2007-2008;

WHEREAS some of the enrolment figures were not accurate;

Commissioner Carolyn Curiale MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board rescind resolution #CC-071128-CA-0086.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Tom Mouhteros, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Walter Fogel

CC-071212-CA-0099

WHEREAS the Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #EC-070711-CA-0005 authorizing the payment of the provisional Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) membership fee;

WHEREAS the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) has submitted an invoice for the balance of the 2007-2008 membership fee;

Commissioner Carolyn Curiale MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of the balance of the 2007-2008 Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) membership fee in the amount of 25 955,32\$

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Tom Mouhteros, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners voting NAY:	Walter Fogel

15.3 QESBA Voting Delegates for Annual General Meeting:

Commissioner Carolyn Curiale reviewed the request from the Quebec School Boards Association (QESBA) for the distribution of the votes for the Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held on 2008-01-26.

Parent Commissioner Luc Samson entered the meeting.

TIME: 21:07 hours

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WHEREAS the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) has assigned thirteen votes to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for its Annual General Meeting being held on 2007-09-29

Commissioner Grace Nesi MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board name the following as voting delegates for the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) Annual General Meeting to be held on 2008-01-26; AND THAT the thirteen votes be divided among them:

Steve Bletas(7 votes)

Carolyn Curiale(6 votes)

AND THAT Commissioner Mike Pizzola be named as alternate voting delegate for each of the named Commissioners at the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) Annual General Meeting to be held on 2008-01-26.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, Tom Mouhteros, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Walter Fogel

16.0 QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

Commissioner Nick Milas left the meeting.

TIME: 21:08 hours

17.0 CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman drew attention to the correspondence contained in the package

18.0 VARIA

The was no varia.

19.0 CONCLUSION OF MEETING

Commissioner Nancy Rupnik MOVED THAT the meeting be concluded.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 21:09 hours

NEXT MEETING ⇌ REGULAR ⇌ 2008-01-23

Marie-Claude Drouin, Secretary General

Steve Bletas, Chairman