

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON 2002-04-24

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, 2002-04-24 at 19:30 hours, at which were present:

Steve Bletas, Chairman; William Pollock, Vice-Chairman; Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines; Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, Nancy Rupnik, Morten Schrier, and Edward Turchyniak, Commissioners; Linda Iaconetti, Parent Commissioner; 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: Ghislaine Tanner, Parent Commissioner.

Guest: Giordano Rosa-del-Vecchio.

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

1.0 INTRODUCTION**020424-CA-0107**

Steve Kmec MOVED THAT the agenda be accepted as presented in document #2002/04/24-CA-001.

Carried unanimously

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**020424-CA-0108**

James McDougall MOVED THAT the minutes of the REGULAR meeting of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2002-03-27, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as written.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Steve Bletas, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Grace Nesi, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Natalie Auclair, Mary Austin, Carolyn Curiale, Walter Fogel, Morten Schrier

Walter Fogel noted that on page 0672 of the minutes of the special meeting held on 2002-04-03 under item 1.0, paragraph 10 that the 2nd line should read "*Mr. Rosa-del-Vecchio*" not "*Mr. Rosa*".

020424-CA-0109

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT the minutes of the SPECIAL meeting of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2002-04-03, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as corrected.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

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

ABST: Walter Fogel

Walter Fogel noted that on page 0674 of the minutes of the special meeting held on 2002-04-17, under the notation of Guest it should read "*Giordano Rosa-del-Vecchio*" not "*Giordano Rosa*".

Nancy Rupnik pointed out that persons who were absent are also listed as present and asked that the minutes be corrected to reflect this error.

020424-CA-0110

Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT the minutes of the SPECIAL meeting of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2002-04-17, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as corrected.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

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

ABST: Walter Fogel

3.0 QUESTION PERIOD

In response to a question from David Modlin, a parent from Lewis King Elementary School, the Chairman advised that it is very difficult to eliminate a deficit in one fiscal year without cutting services in some other areas; therefore, the school board will address its deficit over a two-year period.

In response to concerns expressed by Johanne Martineau, a parent from Holy Rosary Elementary School, on the issue of the air quality at the school; the Director General advised that an expert has been brought in on two occasions to test the air for mold and that the test results indicate that there was no problem with the quality of the air in the prefabs except that the windows had to be opened regularly to reduce the accumulation of carbon dioxide.

In response to an additional question from Mrs. Martineau, the Director General indicated that there were no concerns about the air quality or the presence of mold in the school itself.

Valerie Trudel, Chair of the Holy Rosary Elementary School Governing Board, advised the Council that the parents of the school are very concerned about the presence of mold and the air quality in the prefabs. She went on to ask several questions.

In response to Mrs. Trudel's questions, the Director General stated that the testing of the air quality was carried out on two occasions and demonstrated that it met the prescribed standards but required that windows be opened regularly. He noted that the report indicated the presence of mold in the air space between the ceiling and the roof and in the crawl space. Both had been addressed through repairs carried out by the contractor.

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He went on to advise that the second report received from Armand Frappier Institute would be sent to the school as well as the Public Health Department and the Commission de la santé et de la sécurité du travail (CSST) and he suggested that parents with concerns about their child's health obtain a copy of the report from the school or the board office and take it to their doctor.

He further noted that the current prefabs would be replaced by new prefabs at the end of June.

In response to a question on when a new school could be expected, the Director General reminded those present that the board has been actively pursuing authorization from the Ministère de l'Éducation to build a new school for the past four years and stated that the Ville de Mascouche has offered land on which to build the school.

William Pollock entered the meeting

TIME: 20:10 hours

Beth Watson, the teacher representative for Holy Rosary Elementary School, had several requests and questions of the board.

In response to Mrs. Watson, the Director General advised that the new air quality report had just been received and that a copy would be sent to the school by Friday, 2002-04-26.

He went on to note that the attendance records of students in the prefabs when compared to those in the school do not support the contention that students in the prefabs were more frequently absent. However, he noted that a few students had a high absentee record.

In response to a question from Mrs. Watson concerning an explanation of the air quality report, the Director General indicated that he would invite Mr. McSween to a meeting with the parents to answer any questions they may have about his report.

In closing, the Director General commented that the board is concerned about the health and safety of the students and staff of Holy Rosary Elementary School but in reviewing the information at hand the current situation does not pose any health threat and that the board will continue to be vigilant in attending to any complaints received and conducting any necessary repairs to the school as quickly as possible.

Natalie Auclair left the meeting.

TIME: 20:30 hours

4.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Effie Maniatis, Principal of Crestview Elementary School, provided the Council of Commissioners with an informative and educational presentation of the special education program offered at the school.

Natalie Auclair returned to the meeting.

TIME: 20:35 hours

She spoke on the inclusion of special needs students in regular classes, provided an overview of the program content and approaches used with the students, and presented a video of the students in their daily routine at the school.

The Chairman thanked Mrs. Maniatis and her staff for the enlightening presentation and encouraged them to continue their good work.

Gerry Robillard, Pedagogical Consultant, provided the Council of Commissioners with a virtual trip through the Educational Services web site, which provides information and links to resources for teachers and students.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Robillard for his informative presentation.

The Chairman called for a 10-minute recess.

TIME: 21:45 hours

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Natalie Auclair, Glen Haines and Morten Schrier excused themselves for the evening.

TIME: 21:45 hours

The meeting resumed.

TIME: 21:55 hours

5.0 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported on the meeting of the Chairmen and Directors General with the representatives of the Ministère de l'Éducation to receive the report of the Steering Committee on Accountability and Public Reporting of School and Board Success Plans.

He went on to advise the Council that authorization has been received from the Ministère de l'Éducation for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to maintain 19 electoral divisions for the 2003 school board elections.

6.0 BUSINESS ARISING

6.1 Consultative Committee on Attendance Zones:

The Director General advised the Council that the Consultative Committee on Attendance Zones had decided to complete its mandate and had rescinded its resolution to disband.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel concerning item 3.0 on page 0657 of the minutes of the meeting held on 2002-03-27, the Chairman advised that Mr. Haldimand had answered the question at his request.

In response to an additional question from Walter Fogel concerning item 5.2 on page 0658 of the same minutes, the Director General advised that the gymnasium curtain that had been installed by the Hillcrest Academy Home & School in the previous Hillcrest Academy location was considered to be part of the school building as per the rules governing the transfer of assets which occurred as a result of the merger of school boards and that no financial compensation would be received from Commission scolaire de Laval.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel about the lack of a vote having been registered for the in camera session indicated on page 0670 of the same minutes, the Director General advised that it was done by consensus.

Walter Fogel requested that page 0647 of the minutes of the Council of Commissioners meeting held on 2002-02-27 be placed under "Business Arising" for discussion purposes at the next meeting of the Council of Commissioners.

7.0 CORPORATE AFFAIRS

7.1 Communications & Public Relations Committee:

The Deputy Director General advised that the establishment of a Communications & Public Relations Committee is the direct result of feedback received at the November 2001 focus session of the Council.

020424-CA-0111

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to create a Communications and Public Relations Committee;

WHEREAS 7 commissioners, including the Chairmen of the Council of Commissioners and the Executive Committee have indicated a willingness to participate to such a committee;

Grace Nesi MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the establishment of a Communications and Public Relations Committee, effective immediately.

AND THAT the status of this committee be re-examined annually during review of the board's standing and advisory committees.

AND FURTHER THAT this committee be established as a subcommittee of the Executive Committee.

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THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel

7.2 Conseil régional de développement de Laval (CRDL):

The Director General explained that this request is received annually and that Linda Gagnon currently sits as the representative of the board and has volunteered to do so for the 2002-2003 school year.

020424-CA-0112

William Pollock MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board name Linda Gagnon as the representative of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to the electoral college of the education sector for the purpose of electing a representative of the education sector to sit on the Conseil régional de développement de Laval for 2002-2003.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Walter Fogel

8.0 TRANSPORTATION

There was no business to be concluded.

9.0 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

9.1 2002-2003 School Calendars:

The Director General reviewed the proposed calendar for the 2002-2003 school year noting that the calendar provided for 20 pedagogical days, 16 fixed by agreement between the Laurier Teachers Union and the board, and 4 floating pedagogical days. He noted that in keeping with the resolution adopted by the Parents Committee 2 of the 4 floating pedagogical days are to be used for Curriculum Reform.

In response to a concern expressed by Walter Fogel, the Director General acknowledged that classes end in mid-June with two weeks reserved for examinations.

020424-ED-0113

WHEREAS the school calendar is the responsibility of the school board;

WHEREAS a committee of three representatives each of the Teachers Union, the Parents Committee, school Administrators and Commissioners was established with a mandate to propose a calendar for 2002-2003;

WHEREAS this all party committee was unable to reach a unanimous recommendation on a draft proposal for presentation to the Laurier Teachers Union and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the Laurier Teachers Union and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board were able to negotiate and agree on a draft proposal;

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WHEREAS the Parents' Committee has been consulted on the proposed calendar for 2002-2003;

WHEREAS the Directorate and the Educational Services Committee have endorsed the proposed calendar for the presentation to the Council of Commissioners for approval;

Nancy Rupnik MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Educational Services Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the 2002-2003 school calendar consisting of 180 days of classes, 16 fixed pedagogical days and 4 floating pedagogical days, as presented in Document #SWLSB-2002/04/24-ED-001 for all of its schools except Arundel Elementary School, Holy Rosary Elementary School, Joliette Elementary School, Lewis King Elementary School, Rawdon Elementary & Middle School, Joliette High School and Ste-Agathe Academy.

AND THAT the 4 floating pedagogical days be distributed as follows:

- 2 days ☺ anytime during the school year for matters relating to Curriculum Reform
- 2 days ☺ anytime after 31 March providing that no school closures have occurred.

AND THAT the placement of the floating pedagogical days be approved by the Governing Board of the school.

AND FURTHER THAT the Principal confirm the activities relating to Curriculum Reform with the Director General or his delegate prior to presenting a request to the Governing Board for the placement of the 2 floating pedagogical days relating to Curriculum Reform.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel

The Director General noted that Arundel Elementary School and Ste-Agathe Academy follow the calendar of Commission scolaire des Laurentides because that board provides transportation services to the schools.

020424-ED-0114

WHEREAS several schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board use the transportation services of a French school board within their sector of the Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière territory;

WHEREAS the school calendars of the French school boards involved determine the availability of the transportation to various schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the Commission scolaire des Laurentides has established its calendar for the 2002-2003 school year which establishes the operation of their transportation system for their schools, thereby determining the availability of transportation to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board schools using these buses;

WHEREAS these calendars have been adapted where possible to bring them in line with the calendar governing the majority of the schools within the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Linda Iaconetti MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Educational Services Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the school calendar for the 2002-2003 school year for Arundel Elementary School and Ste-Agathe Academy, as per Document #SWLSB-2002/04/24-ED-002.

AND THAT 6 floating pedagogical days be distributed as follows

- 3 days ➡ anytime during the school year for matters relating to Curriculum Reform
- 3 days ➡ anytime after 31 March providing that no school closures have occurred.

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AND THAT the placement of the floating pedagogical days be approved by the Governing Board of the school.

AND FURTHER THAT the Principal confirm the activities relating to Curriculum Reform with the Director General or his delegate prior to presenting a request to the Governing Board for the placement of the 3 floating pedagogical days relating to Curriculum Reform.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel

The Director General advised the Council that the Governing Board of Lewis King Elementary School had requested that the board align their spring break with that of Rosemere High School as two different breaks is difficult for families with children who attend both schools. He noted that this will be referred to the Transportation Committee with a favourable recommendation from the Directorate.

020424-ED-0115

WHEREAS several schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board use the transportation services of a French school board within their sector of the Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière territory;

WHEREAS the school calendars of the French school boards involved determine the availability of the transportation to various schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the Commission scolaire des Affluents has established its calendar for the 2002-2003 school year which establishes the operation of their transportation system for their schools, thereby determining the availability of transportation to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board schools using these buses;

WHEREAS these calendars have been adapted where possible to bring them in line with the calendar governing the majority of the schools within the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Peter Haldimand MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Educational Services Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the school calendar for the 2002-2003 school year for Holy Rosary Elementary School and Lewis King Elementary School, as per Document #SWLSB-2002/04/24-ED-003.

AND THAT 5 floating pedagogical days be distributed as follows:

- 3 days ➡ anytime during the school year for matters relating to Curriculum Reform
- 2 days ➡ any time after 31 March providing that no school closures have occurred.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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, Edward Turchyniak

NAY:

Walter Fogel

The Director General noted that Joliette Elementary School, Rawdon Elementary & Middle School and Joliette High School follow the calendar of Commission scolaire des Samares because that board provides transportation services to the schools.

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020424-ED-0116

WHEREAS several schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board use the transportation services of a French school board within their sector of the Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière territory;

WHEREAS the school calendars of the French school boards involved determine the availability of the transportation to various schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the Commission scolaire des Samares has established its calendar for the 2002-2003 school year which establishes the operation of their transportation system for their schools, thereby determining the availability of transportation to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board schools using these buses;

WHEREAS these calendars have been adapted where possible to bring them in line with the calendar governing the majority of the schools within the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Educational Services Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the school calendar for the 2002-2003 school year for Joliette Elementary School, Rawdon Elementary & Middle School and Joliette High School, as per Document #SWLSB-2002/04/24-ED-004.

AND THAT at least 2 of the floating pedagogical days be reserved for matters related to Curriculum Reform.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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, Edward Turchyniak

NAY:

Walter Fogel

The Director General reviewed the calendars for Adult and Vocational Education explaining the difference between these calendars and those of the youth sector, noting that a March break was included.

020424-ED-0117

Nick Milas MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Educational Services Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the calendar for the Adult Education Centres (General Education) located in Chomedey and Lachute for the 2002-2003 school year, as per Document #SWLSB-2002/04/24-ED-005.

Carried unanimously

020424-ED-0118

Carolyn Curiale MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Educational Services Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the calendar for the Professional Education Centres located in Chomedey, Lachute and Joliette for the 2002-2003 school year, as per Document #SWLSB-2002/04/24-ED-006.

Carried unanimously

The Deputy Director General reviewed the Summer School Program for 2002.

020424-ED-0119

Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Educational Services Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve a secondary I to V Summer School Program to be located at Laval Catholic High School and Laurentian Regional High School from 2002-07-08 to 2002-07-26, as per document #SWLSB-2002/04/24-ED-007.

**Carried unanimously
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In response to a request from Carolyn Curiale, the Director General advised that the Education Committee would have the opportunity to review the information pamphlet before it is distributed publicly.

10.0 MATERIAL RESOURCES

There was no business to be concluded.

11.0 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

11.1 Fibre Optic Invoices:

The Director General reviewed the motion to pay the invoices for our share of the Fibre Optic Network for the schools in Laval.

020424-IT-0120

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board entered into a partnership agreement with the Commission scolaire de Laval to construct a Fibre Optic Network for the 15 schools and centres in Laval to ensure high speed reliable Internet access, as per resolution #990922-IT-0034;

WHEREAS the network is now complete and all schools have been linked;

WHEREAS the share of the cost of building the network attributable to the schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has been determined to be 861 260\$;

WHEREAS the invoice received from the Commission scolaire de Laval has been independently verified and supporting documents have been received to determine its accuracy;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has already paid 500 000\$ to the Commission scolaire de Laval;

WHEREAS the balance is now due;

Nazario Facchino MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize the payment of the balance due for the building of the Fibre Optic Network in Laval in the amount of 361 260\$.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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

The Director General reviewed the motion to pay the invoice received from the Commission scolaire de la Seigneurie-des-Mille-Îles for our share of the Fibre Optic Network for schools and the administration centre in Rosemere, Blainville, and Deux-Montagnes.

020424-IT-0121

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board entered into a partnership agreement with Commission scolaire de la Seigneurie-des-Mille-Îles for a Fibre Optic Network for the 6 schools and board office in Blainville, Deux-Montagnes and Rosemère, per resolutions #000322-IT-0185 and #000322-IT-0186;

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WHEREAS the share of the cost of building the network attributable to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has been determined to be 245 396\$;

WHEREAS the invoice received from the Commission scolaire de la Seigneurie-des-Mille-Îles has been studied and supporting documents to determine its accuracy have been received;

WHEREAS the invoice is now due;

Mary Austin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize the payment to the Commission scolaire de la Seigneurie-des-Mille-Îles in the amount of 245 396\$ for the building of the Fibre Optic Network for its schools and board office in Blainville, Deux-Montagnes and Rosemère.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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

020424-CA-0122

Grace Nesi MOVED THAT the meeting be extended until the agenda is completed.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

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

NAY: James McDougall

ABST: Walter Fogel

11.2 Call to Tender – Qualified Computer Supplier:

The Director General reviewed the proposed resolution to engage a qualified supplier for computer equipment and services.

Walter Fogel voiced his concerns over the board using one supplier for the purchase of computer equipment when better prices could possibly be obtained from individual suppliers throughout the period of the agreement..

020424-IT-0123

WHEREAS it is stipulated in Policy #99-MR-01: Supply of Goods and Services that public tenders must be called for any purchase over 50 000\$;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board plans the purchase of computers to fulfill the needs of the schools, the Adult Education Centres and the services;

WHEREAS the agreement with Hypertec Systèmes Inc. / CIARA Technologie Inc. as the qualified computer supplier for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, as per resolution #000531-IT-0281, has expired;

WHEREAS the Information Technology Committee has reviewed the technical specifications and recommends that public tenders be called;

James McDougall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Information Technology Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve that public tenders be called to designate a computer supplier, as described in document #SWLSB-2002/04/24-IT-001.

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THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: 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, Edward Turchyniak

NAY: Walter Fogel

12.0 FINANCIAL RESOURCES

12.1 Engagement of Auditors:

The Director General commented on the annual engagement of auditors noting that the firm proposed has been auditing the financial situation of the board for four years and that its prices are competitive.

020424-FR-0124

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee and the Directorate, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage the firm of **Gagnon, Roy Brunet** at a cost of **15 298,00\$ including taxes** to conduct auditing services for the **2001-2002** school year.

Carried unanimously

13.0 QESBA

Carolyn Curiale advised that if any Commissioners had any objections to the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) proposed budget for the 2002-2003 school year that they should address them to her this evening.

She went on to present a draft brief from the QESBA to the Office des Professions du Québec noting that although the date to react has passed any comments from the Council would be relayed to the QESBA.

She also noted that if any Commissioner has an opinion on *Bill 66: Act amending the School Board Elections Act*, to please contact her.

14.0 HUMAN RESOURCES

14.1 Summer School Principal:

The Deputy Director General provided background information on the proposed Principal of the 2002 Summer School.

020424-HR-0125

Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee and the Educational Services Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage **Denis Lapierre** as Principal for the 2002 Summer School, effective 2002-07-02 to 2002-08-14. AND THAT he be paid in accordance with his personal contract.

Carried unanimously

14.2 Transfer & Re-Assignment of In-School Administrators:

The Director General reviewed the transfer and reassignment of in-school Administrators for the 2002-2003 school year.

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020424-HR-0126

WHEREAS it is the responsibility of the Director General to recommend to the Council of Commissioners the assignment of the in-school and centre administrators prior to May 1 in accordance with the Management Policy adopted by the board;

WHEREAS Principals and Vice-Principals have submitted their career plans for 2002-2003 to the Director General;

WHEREAS these have been reviewed by the Director General and taken into consideration;

Grace Nesi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director General, the Council of Commissioners approve the assignment of the in-school and centre administrators, effective 2002-07-01:

**STAFFING > SCHOOL AND CENTRE ADMINISTRATION
2002-2003**

ELEMENTARY	PRINCIPAL	VICE-PRINCIPAL
ARUNDEL	Bob Berry (50%)	
CRESTVIEW	VACANCY	Mark Massarelli
GENESIS	Hélène Coupal	
GRENVILLE	Bob Berry (50%)	
HILLCREST ACADEMY	Cliff Buckland	
HOLY ROSARY	Stephanie Krenn	Anne-Marie Breault
JOHN F. KENNEDY	Linda DiDomenico	
JOLIETTE	Bruce Scott	
JULES VERNE	Frederic Greschner	
LAURENTIA	Bill MacLeod	
LAURENTIAN	Gary Thomas	
LEWIS KING	VACANCY (80%)	
McCAIG	Doug Clarke	John McGrail
MORIN HEIGHTS	Anne Poland	
MOUNTAINVIEW	Laird Bracken	
OUR LADY OF PEACE	Carole Léger	
PIERRE ELLIOTT TRUDEAU	Karen Moore	
RAWDON	Ann Cohen	
SOUVENIR	Charlotte Dennick	Joanne Bourdon
STE-ADELE	Josée Côté (50%)	
STE-AGATHE	Johanne Vallerand	
ST-JUDE	Heather Halman	
ST-PAUL	Mary Sorrentino	Gaetane Marquis
TERRY FOX	Therese Dufresne	Gloria Kadonoff
TWIN OAKS	Judy Freedman	
SECONDARY	PRINCIPAL	VICE-PRINCIPAL
BATSHAW	Hazel Milley	

JOLIETTE HIGH	Robert Bennett	
LAKE OF TWO MOUNTAINS	Les Harding	Doug Morrison
LAVAL CATHOLIC	Willy Speeckaert	Chris Roblin
LAURENTIAN REGIONAL	Glenn Cuggy	Scott Traylen
PHOENIX	Anne-Marie Roigt (60%)	
ROSEMERE HIGH	Alain Guay	Don Muir / VACANCY
SACRED HEART	Ken Prokosh	Tony Sciaraffa
STE-AGATHE ACADEMY	Johanne Vallerand	
WESTERN LAVAL	Eric Ruggi	Johanne Brabant
CENTER	DIRECTOR	ASST. CENTER DIR.
CHOMEDEY EDUCATION CENTRE	Mireille Ménard	Marité Perron

Carried unanimously
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15.0 PARENT COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Linda Iaconetti extended thanks to the Director General for his informative presentation of the 2002-2003 budget parameters and to the Coordinator of School Organization & Transportation for his presentation of the bus safety video, at the 2002-04-04 meeting of the Parents Committee.

She advised the Council that the Parents Committee had approved a resolution supporting the changes to the three-year plan for Hillcrest Academy, which limits the number of kindergarten classes from Souvenir Elementary School to four.

16.0 USE OF SCHOOLS

There was no business to be concluded.

17.0 QUESTION PERIOD

In response to several questions from Mike Pizzola, a parent from Holy Rosary Elementary School, the Director General advised that the contract for the current prefabs at Holy Rosary Elementary School did not require that the prefabs, which were installed in 1998 or 2000, be new.

He continued noting that the board is committed to replacing the current prefabs at the end of June 2002 even though the Ville de Mascouche has requested that they be removed as soon as possible because prefabs would be required until the Ministère de l'Éducation authorizes a new school.

In response to a statement from Mr. Pizzola that the Holy Rosary Governing Board would be requesting that the spring break for the school be aligned with Rosemere High School, the Director General advised that the Transportation Committee will re-examine the request of Holy Rosary and Lewis King Elementary Schools to have their spring break at the same time as Rosemere High School.

18.0 CORRESPONDENCE

In response to a statement from Walter Fogel that the QESBA Summary is sent to Commissioners by the QESBA, the Chairman stated that it is included in the information section of the package for board meetings at the request of the Commissioners.

19.0 VARIA

There was no varia.

20.0 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

William Pollock MOVED adjournment of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 22:57 hours

NEXT MEETING ⇨ REGULAR ⇨ 2002-05-22

Robert Vallerand, Secretary General

Steve Bletas, Chairman