

Minutes of the SEVENTH (7th) meeting of the 2012-2013 Sir Wilfrid Laurier Parents Committee held on Thursday May 2nd, 2013 at 7:15 pm in the Boardroom of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, 235 Montée Lesage, Rosemère, Québec.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Diana Cugliandro	Genesis Elementary	Angela Mortorana	Mother Teresa Jr. High
Kellie Drouin	Grenville Elementary	Lisa Chartier	Our Lady of Peace Elementary
Patricia Saputo	Hillcrest Academy	David Mollott	Pierre E Trudeau Elementary
Jennifer Maccarone	John F Kennedy Elementary	Ann Gill	Rosemere High
Debbie Dann	Joliette High	Rino Vetrone	Souvenir Elementary
Joseph Sabo	Jules Verne Elementary	Tommy Lapierre	St Jude Elementary
Vicki Gormley	Lake of Two Mountains High	Roberto Bomba	St Paul Elementary
Roseanne Carusone	Laurier Sr. High	Ross Blandino	St Vincent Elementary
Francisco Couto	Laval Liberty High	Ron Cole	Ste-Agathe Academy (Teleconf)
Rosalind Hoenig	Laval Jr. High	Antoinette Noviello	Terry Fox Elementary
Carla Tosti	McCaig Elementary		
Magalie Sephton	Morin Heights Elementary		

ALSO PRESENT: Cliff Buckland, Assistant Director General; Nick Milas, Chairman, Council of Commissioners; Naz Facchino, Vice-Chairman, Council of Commissioners; Angelo Grasso, EPCA Director General; Elio Lattanzio, Commissioner; Ailsa Pehi, Souvenir Elementary PC Alternate

ABSENT: Arundel Elementary, Crestview Elementary, Franklin Hill Elementary, Joliette Elementary, Laurentia Elementary, Laurentian Regional High, Mountainview Elementary, Pinewood Elementary Rawdon Elementary Ste-Adele Elementary Twin Oaks Elementary SEAC

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Heather Halman's presentation will be done at a future meeting.

PC20130502-01 Hillcrest Academy MOVED THAT the agenda is accepted with additions. Seconded by Joliette High School.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF April 4, 2013

PC20130502-02 Laval Jr High MOVED THAT the minutes of April 4th, 2013 are accepted with the noted correction. Seconded by Joliette High School.

This motion was CARRIED on the following division:
For: Genesis elem, Grenville elem, John F Kennedy elem, Joliette High, Jules Verne elem, Lake of Two Mountains high, Laval Liberty high, Laval Jr. high, McCaig elem, Mother Teresa jr. high, Pierre E Trudeau elem, Rosemere high, Souvenir elem, St Paul elem, St. Vincent elem, Ste-Agathe acad
Abstain: Hillcrest acad, Laurier Sr. high, Our Lady of Peace elem, Morin Heights elem, St. Jude elem, Terry Fox elem

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

In members packages.

4. PRESENTATION

Tabled to next meeting

5. BUSINESS ARISING

5.1 Update STL contract negotiation

GB chairs have received the information on the change of hours for the Laval High schools next year. The contract is still not completely negotiated; as soon as it is done it will be brought to the table. The Sr high schools will begin an hour sooner

5.2 Secondary IV Math, Science and History exams – Letter to MELS

An e-vote was held to send out letter to MELS. There were 8 abstentions. The Chairperson sent out the letter.

5.3 Nomination of RCP-3L Alternate

While we do have a representative, we do need an alternate.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Laval High Schools Ad Hoc Committee

The Commissioners voted to dissolve the present committee on the future of high schools. In its place there will be an ad hoc committee. The DG, ADG, Chairman and alternate, Chairman School Organization committee, Chairman Parents Committee, Secondary Parent Commissioner, Director of School Org and the four Laval High School Governing Board chairs will also be on this committee.

Laval Liberty High school responded that the minutes of Council reflect that this committee was not able to deliver a response on time. The parent members who were on this committee were insulted that this makes them feel like a failure and that was not the case. He would like to know what the mandate of this committee is and what the time frame is.

Nick responded that the future of high schools committee was very large and nothing was ever resolved because it was too big. Details on this committee will be available by the June council to move ahead on consultations.

Mr. Buckland gave a briefing on who would be part of this Ad Hoc committee. The idea is rather than create a large group, they will create a smaller group and consult with all of the stakeholders that are part of the committee for their involvement and accumulate all of the different ideas. To make sure making the right decision is made they want to take the time to speak to everyone involved. Whatever decision is made has to be long term and positive. The change in the schools will not happen until the 2015-2016 year in order to make well thought out decisions with students, staff and pedagogy.

6.2 Nomination (3) Laval Elementary School Ad Hoc Committee members

One PC representative from each of the three clusters is needed for this committee..

The first meeting will be held on May 27th focusing on the situation at Terry Fox. On May 28th the second meeting will be on the overcrowding at Twin Oaks.

The OLOP delegate would like to table the Twin Oaks and OLOP vote until an e-vote can be held to give the Twin Oaks delegate the chance to be on this committee. The OLOP delegate will do it if Twin Oaks is not available.

PC20130502-03 Our Lady of Peace MOVED THAT Rino Vetrone, Souvenir Elementary; and Antoinette Noviello, Terry Fox Elementary; will sit on this committee.

Carried

The third member will be voted by e-vote before the first meeting in May.

6.3 Nomination High School Parent Commissioner

PC20130502-04 Our Lady of Peace Elementary MOVED THAT Angela Martorano of Mother Teresa Jr. High is nominated as the High School Parent Commissioner. Seconded by Laurier Sr. High.

Carried

6.4 PC Internal Rules & Procedures – Alternates as Delegates

Proposed changes were highlighted and sent to members. Hillcrest would like to specify Delegates and Alternates to be able to sit on committees such as RCP3L and EPCA outside the Parents Committee. It is suggested to speak to Marie Claude Drouin to see if this is legal before members vote on this.

The changes are as follows:

- 12.1** In October, the Committee will elect one official representative as Director of EPCA and two official delegates for the EPCA.
 - 12.2** The Director will sit on the Board of Directors And attend the monthly meetings.
 - 12.3** The Director and the two delegates will attend both annual and general assemblies.
 - 12.4** The Director may take on an executive position with EPCA, such as Chair, Vice-Chair or Treasurer.
 - 12.5** The Delegates may take on positions with the sub-committees such as internal audit and any other sub-committee that is formed by the EPCA.
 - 12.6** All travel and meal expenses relating to EPCA will be covered by EPCA according to its own Internal Financial Policy.
 - 12.7** The Director and Delegates will be governed by EPCA's General Rules and Regulations.
- 13.2.2** One (1) delegate will be sitting as a Director of RCP-3L once a month in Sainte-Therese.

PC20130502-05 Hillcrest Academy MOVED THAT the modifications to the Internal Rules & Procedures are accepted as presented above. Seconded by Laval Jr. High

Carried

7. REPORTS

7.1 School Board's Report

- Assignment and transfer of in school administrator was done with very few changes in order to maintain consistency within the schools.
- Election of new commissioner in Ward 8 – Emilio Migliozi.
- On behalf of Stephanie and Cliff - Thank you to Angelo Grasso for all of his support and work over the years.
- New board organigrams will be presented at the next Council meeting for consultation.
- Finalizing strategic plan to line it with our goals. Any decisions taken in the future will be based on the strategic plan.
- Laval jr open house on April 25th, very good night
- We have held bus driver workshops over the past week, training in terms of Bill 56 on bullying and how we can better improve the service.
- Laurier Gala/Star-Fest on May 23rd.

7.2 Treasurer's Report

- Jennifer will e-mail the report to members. It was received too late to send out to members.

7.3 Council Highlights (Parent Commissioners Report)

In members packages.

7.4 RCP-3L Report

No report this month

7.5 SEAC Report

Conference is this evening.

7.6 EPCA Report

In members packages.

8. VARIA

Congratulations to Mother Teresa, LTMHS, PE Trudeau, SAA, Souvenir, Joliette High, Jules Verne, John F Kennedy, OLOP, Morin Heights, - winners of the Lobster Madness tickets. Alternates in case anyone cannot attend will be St Paul, LJHS, LLHS & Hillcrest

9. Question Period

10. Closure of Meeting

Next meeting June 6th, 2013

PC20130502-06 Laurier Sr. MOVED THAT the meeting close at 8:20 pm. Seconded by Crestview Elem.

Carried UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan O’Keeffe, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved _____, 2013

Chairperson _____ Secretary _____