

**PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC**  
**Western Québec School Board**

Minutes of the **Council of Commissioners** meeting held on Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at the Western Québec School Board, 15 rue Katimavik, Gatineau, Québec, at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Brunke, Chiasson, Daly, Davidson, Dexter, Garbutt, Gunn, Guy, Hendry, Lanyi, McCrank, O'Brien, Perry, Shea, Taylor, Wilson and Young, Parent Commissioners Gibbons and Komm

**Personnel:**

Director of Education, Adult Education and Vocational Training,  
R. Ahern

Director of Education, M. Lothian

Director of Buildings, Equipment and Transportation, C. O'Shea

Assistant Director of Human Resources, D. Giroux

**REGRETS:** Commissioners Jawbone and Larivière

The Director General, M. Dawson, the Assistant Director General/Director of Finance, P. Lamoureux and the Director of Legal Services and Human Resources/Secretary General, R. Vézina were also present.

**Call to Order**

The Chair, Commissioner Chiasson, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Public Participation**

Maylee Druve, student at D'Arcy McGee High School, made a presentation following her participation in the "Forum for Young Canadians", held February 27<sup>th</sup> to March 4<sup>th</sup> in Ottawa. In recognition for her efforts, a board pin and a cheque in the amount of \$200.00 were given to her by the Chair.

**C-10/11-166**

**Approval of Agenda**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner O'Brien that the Agenda be approved with the following additions:

10.1 Approval of Accounts –December 2010

10.2 Approval of Accounts – January 2011

10.3 Approval of Accounts – February 2011

11.3 Healthy Schools and Nutrition Policy

Carried unanimously

**C-10/11-167**

**Approval of Minutes – March 29, 2011**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Wilson that the Minutes of a meeting held on March 29, 2011 be approved as circulated.

Carried unanimously

**Chairman's Remarks**

- The Chairman mentioned that he has been busy preparing for the upcoming Spring Conference; he stated that he may ask for commissioners' help.
- He recently visited the Technical Refurbishing Center and was quite impressed.
- He stated that some of our graduates were honored at "semaine de formation des adultes".

**Director General's Report**

Mike Dawson presented his oral report and mentioned the following points:

- The budget rules will arrive April 29<sup>th</sup> at the earliest.
- There is no news with respect to the date of the next school board elections.
- He reported on a serious automobile accident involving former and present students of our board; The CIRT team was present and involved in the schools offering support.
- Lock down practices occur twice a year in our schools.
- Two postings for Principals will go out shortly.
- He distributed a summary of the latest socio-economic status for our schools.
- He discussed the meetings calendar for 2011-2012.

Paul Lamoureux mentioned that our taxation rate is at 0.31¢ per \$100.00 of evaluation. Because of the difference in rate with the French boards, they may no longer accept to tax the neutrals for us.

**QESBA Report**

James Shea will be our representative on the QESBA Task Force looking at languages of instruction.

Parent Commissioner Komm joined the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

**C-10/11-168**

**Executive Committee Report – April 19, 2011**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Davidson that the Board acknowledge receipt of the draft Executive Committee minutes of April 19, 2011.

Carried unanimously

C-10/11-169

**Education Committee Report – April 6, 2011**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner O'Brien that the Board acknowledge receipt of the draft Education Committee minutes of April 6, 2011.

Carried unanimously

C-10/11-170

**Tender: Lord Aylmer Sr. (Asbestos)-Maintien des Bâtiments Project (Heating and Ventilation)**

WHEREAS the project went to private invitation;

WHEREAS four (4) tenders were received;

Construction O'Reilly Brothers Ltd.	8 495,00\$
Rolatec 2759 2823 Québec Inc.	12 000,00\$
Amor Construction 126026 Canada Inc	18 888,00\$
Asbex Ltd.	21 000,00\$

WHEREAS one (1) bid did not conform to specifications;

WHEREAS Mr. Fortin, FCS Architect, has reviewed the tenders and recommended that the contract be awarded to the lowest bid;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Young that, as recommended by the Business Committee, the bid submitted by Construction O'Reilly Brothers Ltd. in the amount of 8 495,00\$ be approved.

Carried unanimously

C-10/11-171

**Signatures for Maintien des Bâtiments and Résorption du Déficit Contracts**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Young that, as recommended by the Business Committee, the Director of Buildings, Equipment and Transportation, C. O'Shea be authorized to sign all Maintien des Bâtiments and Résorption du Déficit contracts.

Carried unanimously

C-10/11-172

**Special Education Advisory Committee Report – April 4, 2011**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner McCrank that the Board acknowledge receipt of the draft SEAC minutes of April 4, 2011.

Carried unanimously

C-10/11-173

**Parents' Committee Report – March 14, 2011**

IT WAS MOVED by Parent Commissioner Gibbons that the Board acknowledge receipt of the Parents' Committee minutes of March 14, 2011.

Carried unanimously

- C-10/11-174**      **Approval of Accounts – December 2010**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Young that the accounts for the month of December 2010 be approved in the amount of \$5,155,452.74.
- Carried unanimously
- C-10/11-175**      **Approval of Accounts – January 2011**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Young that the accounts for the month of January 2011 be approved in the amount of \$2,559,686.58.
- Carried unanimously
- C-10/11-176**      **Approval of Accounts – February 2011**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Young that the accounts for the month of February 2011 be approved in the amount of \$4,231,626.33.
- Carried unanimously
- C-10/11-177**      **Business Committee of The Whole – June 2011**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner O'Brien that the June 2011 meeting of the Business Committee of The Whole be cancelled and that the information be presented at the June 28, 2011 Council meeting.
- Carried unanimously
- C-10/11-178**      **Proposed Calendar of meetings 2011-2012 – Council of Commissioners**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Davidson that the 2011-2012 calendar of meetings of the Council of Commissioners of the Western Québec School Board, as proposed by the Director General, be sent for public notice as called for by section 392 of the Education Act.
- Carried unanimously
- C-10/11-179**      **Proposed Calendar of meetings 2011-2012 – Executive Committee**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Davidson that the 2011-2012 calendar of meetings of the Executive Committee of the Western Québec School Board, as proposed by the Director General, be sent for public notice as called for by section 392 of the Education Act.
- Carried unanimously

**C-10/11-180**

**Healthy Schools and Nutrition Policy**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner O'Brien that Council mandate the Corporate Committee to investigate the opportunity of adopting a board-wide policy on Healthy Eating and Nutrition.

Carried unanimously

**Date of Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners will be held on May 31, 2011.

**C-10/11-181**

**Adjournment**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner O'Brien that the meeting be adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Carried unanimously

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