

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS SCHOOL BOARD

COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.
ETSB BOARD ROOM
101 DU MOULIN, SUITE 205A
MAGOG, QC J1X 6H8

MINUTES

Enhanced Literacy and Numeracy – Dropout Prevention – Physical and Mental Health

PRESENT

Commissioners:	Brenda Bailey	Gordon Barnett
	Pierre Bell	Daniel Brodie
	Jennifer Downing-Bardati	Richard Gagnon
	Gary Holliday	Joy Humenuik-Campbell
	Patricia Keenan-Adank	Frank MacGregor, <i>vice-chairman</i>
	Michael Murray, <i>chairman</i>	Larry Smith
	Douglas Sullivan	Bruno Vanasse

Parent Commissioner: Paul Laberge

Secretary General, Caroline Dufresne
Director General, Chantal C. Beaulieu
Assistant Director General and Director of Pedagogical Services, Gilles Ribaux
Director of Complementary Educational Services, Peter Hamilton
Director of Human Resources, Jeffrey Pauw
Director of Financial Services and Adult Education and Vocational Training, André Turcotte
Recording Secretary, Diane Warnholtz

ABSENT WITH REASON

Parent Commissioner: Tina Bilodeau
Commissioners: Gérald Carrière, Peter Channell, Diane Hudson, Alice McCrory, Jane Wardle.

OBSERVER

Corrinna Pole, Reporter, The Record

GUEST

Bruce Banfill, Superintendant of Student Transportation Services

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The chairman, M. Murray, called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner J. Humenuik-Campbell to adopt the Agenda of August 23, 2011, as deposited.

Carried unanimously

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2011

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner G. Barnett to approve the Minutes of the meeting that was held on June 21, 2011, with the following modification:

Page 18, Item 11.2 – last paragraph, remove “*for a senior administrative position at QESBA*” and replace with “***as President of the QESBA***”.

Carried unanimously

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING OF JULY 5, 2011

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner G. Barnett to approve the Minutes of the adjourned meeting that was held on July 5, 2011, as deposited.

Carried unanimously

4. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

5. RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

There was no report.

6. Presentation of Bruce Banfill, Superintendant of Student Transportation Services

The Assistant Director General and Director of Pedagogical Services introduced the new Superintendant of Student Transportation, Bruce Banfill, and gave some background information of Mr. Banfill's education, work experience and hobbies.

7. BUSINESS ARISING

There was no Business Arising.

8. NEW BUSINESS**8.1 Confirmation of Administrative Positions**

The Director General presented the following resolutions regarding the confirmation of administrative positions:

8.1.1 Confirmation of Administrative Position - Principal 40% at Sawyerville Elementary School, Principal 40% at Pope Elementary School and 20% Special Projects**Resolution No. ETSB11-08-01****Confirmation of Administrative Position - Principal 40% at Sawyerville Elementary School, Principal 40% at Pope Elementary School and 20% Special Projects**

WHEREAS the following individual was appointed to an existing administrative position for the 2010-2011 school year:

Ms. Norma Humphrey, Principal 40% at Sawyerville Elementary School, Principal 40% at Pope Elementary School and 20% Special Projects;

WHEREAS the performance appraisal of the individual indicated high success;

WHEREAS the Senior Administrative team unanimously recommends this person to the Council of Commissioners;

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner J. Downing-Bardati that Ms. Norma Humphrey be confirmed into her administrative position in the Eastern Townships School Board.

Carried unanimously

8.1.2 Confirmation of Administrative Position – Vice-Principal at Massey-Vanier High School**Resolution No. ETSB11-08-02****Confirmation of Administrative Position – Vice-Principal at Massey-Vanier High School**

WHEREAS the following individual was appointed to an existing administrative position for the 2010-2011 school year:

Mr. David Scott, Vice-Principal at Massey-Vanier High School;

WHEREAS the performance appraisal of the individual indicated high success;

WHEREAS the Senior Administrative team unanimously recommends this person to the Council of Commissioners;

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner P. Bell that Mr. David Scott be confirmed into his administrative position in the Eastern Township School Board.

Carried unanimously

8.2 Modifications to the Deeds of Establishment

The Secretary General reviewed the modifications that were made to the Deeds of Establishment and presented the following resolution:

Resolution No. ETSB11-08-03 Modifications to the Deeds of Establishment

WHEREAS the deeds of establishment for the year 2011-2012 were approved as deposited at the meeting of January 25, 2011 (Resolution No. ETSB11-01-57);

WHEREAS minor changes needed to be brought to the deeds of Cookshire Elementary, Farnham Elementary and Lennoxville Elementary schools, as well as to the Adult Education Center Brome-Missisquoi Campus and Distance Education Center;

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner G. Holliday to approve the modified deeds of establishment of the schools named above.

Carried unanimously

9. DIRECTOR GENERAL'S REPORT

The Director General presented her report of August 23, 2011, in which the following items were discussed:

- Happy return to school greetings;
- What is on our plate for the 2011-2012 school year;
- The initiatives that will continue to retain our attention this year;
- Other important dossiers that will personally involve the Director General.

A copy of the Director General's Report is attached to and forms a part of the Official Copy of the Minutes.

10. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

The chairman, M. Murray, presented his report of August 23, 2011, in which the following points were highlighted:

- Welcome back to everyone.
- Public education is facing an environment that requires transformational disruptive change;
- Personal theme for this year is Leadership. We need to teach it, support it, foster it and reward it;
- We must cope with near-instantaneous transformations in technology. Every year that passes without adapting to new realities sees another cohort of students being shortchanged. We care too much to let that happen;
- I am indebted to Ian Jukes for a timely reminder. "We often get so caught up in managing stakeholders that we can forget who we're really doing this for." With this in mind, here are 5 key things students have voiced their desires for according to Meris Stansbury, editor, eSchool News. Read the complete article at www.fluency21.com for details on each item.
 - Real-world application and relevancy
 - Choice
 - Innovation
 - Teacher mentors
 - Interactive technology

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11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The chairman, M. Murray, indicated that there were no committee reports at this time.

The adjustment of the schedule of dates for the Audit Advisory Committee and Educational Services Advisory Committee was noted.

The chairman of the Human Resources Advisory Committee indicated that their next meeting would be held on September 15, 2011.

12. QUEBEC ENGLISH SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION REPORT

Commissioner F. MacGregor gave a verbal report in which the following items were discussed:

- The Eastern Townships School Board is the host for the Annual General Meeting/Professional Development Session that will be held on the weekend of October 28th & 29th, 2011;
- The Nomination Committee will be meeting next week;
- A meeting on taxation will be held.

13. SOFIE REPORT

There is no report.

14. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Commissioner P. Keenan-Adank stated that she had attended the Canadian School Boards Association Conference which was held from July 7th-9th. She outlined the various keynote speakers and workshops that were held. She indicated that two panel discussions of students had been held, and remarked on the outstanding success of one group. A full report of this conference will be sent to the School Board.

Commissioner M. Murray was very proud to announce that by invitation only, our Director General was one of forty (40) guests to be invited to attend the Oxford Round Table in July. The Director General came back from this event with very striking impressions.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

The Secretary General indicated that a letter from MELS was received authorizing the Eastern Townships School Board to buy the building for the Board Office.

The Director General extended a special thanks to Angela Vaillancourt and André Turcotte for all of their work on this dossier.

16. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

17. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner R. Gagnon at 8:37 p.m.

Secretary General

Chairman

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