

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS SCHOOL BOARD

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE JUNE 21ST COUNCIL OF
COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2011 – 5:30 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
Daniel Brodie
Richard Gagnon (by phone)
Joy Humenuik-Campbell
Frank MacGregor, *vice-chairman* (by phone)
Alice McCrory
Larry Smith
Jane Wardle
Gordon Barnett
Peter Channel (by phone)
Gary Holliday
Patricia Keenan-Adank (by phone)
Michael Murray, *chairman*
Bruno Vanasse (by phone)

Parent Commissioners: Paul Laberge (by phone)

Director General, Chantal C. Beaulieu
Director of Financial Services and Adult Education and Vocational Training, André Turcotte (by phone)

ABSENT WITH REASON

Pierre Bell, Gérald Carrière, Jennifer Downing-Bardati, Diane Hudson, Douglas Sullivan, Parent Commissioner Tina Bilodeau, Caroline Dufresne, Gilles Ribaux, Peter Hamilton, Jeffrey Pauw

OBSERVERS

None.

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The chairman, M. Murray, called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner G. Holliday to adopt the Agenda of June 21, 2011 with the following additions:

- 7.9 Recommendation for 100% Principal Assignment at Knowlton Academy;
- 7.10 Enhanced Learning Strategy Computer Acquisition.

Carried unanimously

7.9 Recommendation for 100 % Principal Assignment at Knowlton Academy

The Director General presented the following resolution:

Resolution No. ETSB11-07-104

Recommendation for 100 % Principal Assignment at Knowlton Academy

WHEREAS the following individual was appointed to an existing administrative position for the 2009-2010 school year:

Ms. Nathalie Chartrand, Principal 100% of Knowlton Academy;

WHEREAS Ms. Chartrand had requested that she be granted a personal leave of absence for 20% for the 2010-2011 school year;

WHEREAS Ms. Chartrand was granted a personal leave of absence of 20% on June 22, 2010 (Resolution No. ETSB10-06-108);

WHEREAS Ms. Chartrand does not wish to benefit from a leave of absence for the 2011-2012 school year;

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner J. Humenuik-Campbell that the assignment of Ms. Nathalie Chartrand as Principal of Knowlton Academy be increased to 100%, effective July 1, 2011.

Carried unanimously

7.10 Enhanced Learning Strategy Computer Acquisition

The Director General presented the following resolution:

Resolution No. ETSB11-07-105 Enhanced Learning Strategy Computer Acquisition

WHEREAS different aspects of the Enhanced Learning Strategy have been reviewed in the 2010-2011 school year;

WHEREAS all the schools have been consulted and have chosen their specific option for the continuity of the ELS program;

WHEREAS the ETSB needs to purchase new equipment for the 2011-2012 school year;

WHEREAS a budget of \$670,000 was set aside for that purpose for the school year 2011-2012;

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner B. Bailey to authorize the Director General to sign any documentation related to the acquisition of equipment and related items (memory, batteries, etc.), up to an amount of \$670,000, effective immediately;

IT WAS FURTHER MOVED THAT in the absence of the Director General, the Director of Financial and Payroll Services can also sign.

Carried unanimously

10.1.1 Recommendation for Termination of Employment

The Director General explained the context and requested that this item be removed, and so it was.

10.3.8 Approval of the School/Center Budgets 2011-2012

The Director of Financial Services presented the following resolution:

Resolution No. ETSB11-07-106 Approval of the School/Centre Budgets 2011-2012

WHEREAS Section 276 of the *Education Act* states that every school board is responsible for approving the budgets of their schools, vocational training centres and adult education centres;

WHEREAS it is necessary to ratify the budgets attached;

WHEREAS all of the governing boards adopted their school/centre budgets for 2011-2012;

WHEREAS the school/centre budgets for 2011-2012 have been presented and analyzed at the Audit Advisory Committee meeting of June 14, 2011;

WHEREAS the Audit committee recommends the ratification of the school/centre budgets for 2011-2012;

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner J. Humenuik-Campbell that the Council of Commissioners ratify the budget of each school/centre for 2011-2012.

Carried unanimously

10.3.9 Approval of the 2011-2012 Budget

The Director General congratulated the Director of Financial Services and his team for their balancing of the budget and the reduction of the tax rate despite an \$830,000 compression.

The Director of Financial Services presented the following resolution:

Resolution No. ETSB-07-107 **Approval of the 2011-2012 Budget**

WHEREAS Section 277 of the *Education Act* requires that every school board adopt and submit to the Minister of Education its Operating, Capital Investment and Debt Service Budgets for the following school year;

WHEREAS every school board is responsible for approving the budgets of its schools, vocational training centres and adult education centres;

WHEREAS revenues are estimated to be \$70,188,628 and expenditures are estimated to be \$70,188,628, giving a balanced budget for the 2011-2012 school year;

WHEREAS the uniform evaluation needed to establish the equalization grant is established at \$3,900,917,475;

WHEREAS the budget foresees that the school tax rate is set at \$0.3278 per \$100 of uniform evaluation;

IT WAS MOVED BY Commissioner J. Wardle that the 2011-2012 Operating (including school/center local funds), Debt Service and Capital Investment Budgets be adopted and transmitted to the minister of Education;

IT WAS FURTHER MOVED that the tax rate for the 2011-2012 school year be set at \$0.3278 per \$100 of uniform evaluation.

Carried unanimously

13. **COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Commissioner J. Wardle asked when the employees would learn what will happen with their position?

Commissioner P. Keenan-Adank asked what was happening with the Richmond Regional High School CLC?

Commissioner R. Gagnon requested a copy of the school/centre and the school board budgets as separate documents.

Commissioner B. Bailey mentioned that, on June 22, she attended a very nice graduation ceremony at Drummondville Elementary School and that most of the students are going to Richmond Regional High School.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner R. Gagnon at 6:25 p.m.

Acting Secretary General
Chantal C. Beaulieu

Michael Murray
Chairman

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