



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE LOUIS RIEL SCHOOL DIVISION
HELD TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2007
7:00 P.M.

In Attendance

Hugh Coburn	Trustee
Mike Daoust	Trustee
Mike Ducharme	Trustee
Gary Gervais	Trustee
Louise Johnston	Trustee
Tom Parker	Trustee
Dave Richardson	Trustee
Wayne Ruff	Trustee
Marilyn Seguire	Trustee
Terry Borys	Superintendent of Schools & CEO
Brad Fulton	Secretary-Treasurer
Marna Kenny	Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Pat Burgoyne	Assistant Superintendent
Linda Chernenkoff	Assistant Superintendent
Neill Johnson	Assistant Superintendent
Christian Michalik	Assistant Superintendent
Tim Watters	Director of Schools & Community Support
Peter Kolba	Director of Facilities
Lisa Aitken	Director of Human Resources
Brad Biehn	Director of Information Systems
Denis Granger	Director of Student Services
Rolande Fontaine	Recording Secretary

16th meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by the Chair at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

371/2007 Trustees Daoust - Seguire: "THAT the agenda for May 15, 2007 be approved."

CARRIED

BOARD MINUTES

372/2007 Trustees Ruff - Johnston: "THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held May 8, 2007 be approved and placed on file."

CARRIED

BOARD DELEGATIONS

1. Asha Pereira-Edwards gave a presentation on the merits of the Français partiel program at École Provencher.
2. Jennifer Kolybabi-Labossière, gave a presentation on merits of the Français partiel program at École Provencher.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

RIEL Project: Review for Closure of Archwood School

373/2007 Trustees Parker - Daoust: "THAT Superintendent's Report on the Review for Closure of Archwood School be received as information, and;

THAT the public hearings be held on this matter on May 28, 2007, and;

THAT the following motion be dealt with at the June 12, 2007 Regular Board Meeting:

WHEREAS the Archwood School student population is projected to be 105 students in September 2007, and;

WHEREAS the current divisional projections show that the student population at Archwood School will continue to decline to fewer than 73 students by 2012, and;

WHEREAS enhanced programming and services for students at Archwood School can be provided within a larger school community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Archwood School be placed under notice of review for closure as of June 30, 2009 as required under the Province of Manitoba School Closure Guidelines, and;

THAT a School Review Committee be established in September 2007 as outlined in the Louis Riel School Division Terms of Reference for School Facility Review Process and School Facility Review Committee Document and report back to the Superintendent of Schools & CEO by March 31, 2008."

CARRIED

RIEL Project: Review for Closure: Marion School

374/2007 Trustees Ruff - Coburn: **“THAT Superintendent’s Report on the Review for Closure of Marion School be received as information, and;**

THAT the public hearings be held on this matter on May 28, 2007, and;

THAT the following motion be dealt with at the June 12, 2007 Regular Board Meeting:

WHEREAS the Marion School student population is projected to be 123 students in September 2007, and;

WHEREAS the current divisional projections show that the student population at Marion School will decline to 105 students by September 2012 and fewer thereafter, and;

WHEREAS enhanced programming and services for students at Marion School can be provided within a larger school community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Marion School be placed under notice of review for closure as of June 30, 2009 as required under the Province of Manitoba School Closure Guidelines, and;

THAT a School Review Committee be established in September 2007 as outlined in the Louis Riel School Division Terms of Reference for School Facility Review Process and School Facility Review Committee Document and report back to the Superintendent of Schools & CEO by March 31, 2008.”

CARRIED

RIEL Project – Review for closure of École Henri-Bergeron

375/2007 Trustees Gervais - Seguire: **“THAT Superintendent’s Report on the Review for Closure of École Henri-Bergeron be received as information, and;**

THAT public hearings be held on this matter on May 28, 2007, and;

THAT the following motion be dealt with at the June 12, 2007 Regular Board Meeting:

WHEREAS the École Henri-Bergeron student population is projected to be 164 students in September 2007, and;

WHEREAS the current divisional projections show that the student population at École Henri-Bergeron will continue to remain well below 200 students for many years, and;

WHEREAS enhanced programming and services for students at École Henri-Bergeron can be provided within a larger school community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, École Henri-Bergeron be placed under notice of review for closure as of June 30, 2009 as required under the Province of Manitoba School Closure Guidelines, and;

THAT a School Review Committee be established in September 2007 as outlined in the Louis Riel School Division Terms of Reference for School Facility Review Process and School Facility Review Committee Document and report back to Superintendent of Schools & CEO by March 31, 2008.”

CARRIED

RIEL Project: Program Re-designation – Français partiel to French Immersion

376/2007 Trustees Seguire - Ruff: “**THAT the Superintendent’s Report on the Re-designation of the *Français partiel* program to the French Immersion program model, at École Provencher and Windsor Park Collegiate, be received as information, and;**

THAT public hearings be held on this matter on Monday, May 28, 2007, and;

THAT the following motion be dealt with at the June 5, 2007 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees:

WHEREAS the Division recognizes École Provencher and Windsor Park Collegiate as schools currently providing the *Français partiel* Program, and;

WHEREAS the *Français partiel* program (Program B) was initially designed for Francophone families in the early 1970s, and;

WHEREAS the Supreme Court of Canada has determined that, in general, wherever the numbers of students justify creating a minority language school, these numbers would also justify granting the minority language parents a measure of management and control, and;

WHEREAS the *Division scolaire Franco-Manitobaine* governs *Français* education in the Province of Manitoba, and;

WHEREAS the Louis Riel School recognizes this right to governance of the *Division scolaire Franco-Manitobaine*, and;

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba defines *Français* Programming as intended for students for whom French is a first or primary language spoken in their homes, and further defines French Immersion Programming as intended for students for whom French is a second language or a language not spoken in their homes, and;

WHEREAS divisional student registration information from September 2006 confirms that fewer than fifteen families, of children enrolled in the *Français partiel* Program at École Provencher in 2007, speak French at home, and;

WHEREAS the *Division scolaire Franco-Manitobaine* would welcome those families or other exogamous (dual language) families, who so wish, to attend schools in the *DSFM*; and

WHEREAS the Province of Manitoba has adopted curricular policy for French Immersion schools, and;

WHEREAS the French Immersion program is a highly researched and demonstrably effective second language learning option for English-speaking children;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- THAT the *Français partiel* Program (Français Program B or 50/50 Program) discontinue in the Louis Riel School Division effective June 30, 2008, and;
- THAT École Provencher implement Board Policy IHBEBA of the Louis Riel School Division, for French Immersion programming effective September 2008;
- THAT Windsor Park Collegiate no longer offer a *Français partiel* program option effective September 2008;
- THAT the 2007-2008 school year be a transition year for the two schools that currently offer the *Français partiel* Program to prepare them to implement the French Immersion program model;
- THAT a Consultative Committee on Transition, composed of members of the École Provencher Parent Community, the Windsor Park Collegiate *Français partiel* Parent Community, the École Provencher Staff, and one member of the Superintendent's Department, convene in September 2007, to provide, to the Board of Trustees by March 31, 2008, a final report containing recommendations necessary for the transition to the French Immersion program, effective for September 2008."

CARRIED

Public Forum

Questions were raised with regard to the possible closure of École Henri-Bergeron and to the possibility of the amalgamation of École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher.

Draft Policy GCNA – Supervision of Professional Staff: Teacher Supervision

377/2007 Trustees Daoust - Richardson: "THAT Draft Policy GCNA: Supervision of Professional Staff: Teacher Supervision receive second reading and be circulated for feedback per Policy BGA."

CARRIED

Draft Policy GCNA – Supervision of Professional Staff: Teacher Supervision - Appendices

378/2007 Trustees Johnston - Coburn: "THAT the following appendices of Draft Policy GCNA: Supervision of Professional Staff: Teacher Supervision receive first reading and be circulated for feedback per Policy BGA.
Appendix A – Indicators of Professional Practice
Appendix B – Teacher Evaluation Process Guidelines & Templates
Appendix C – Professional Growth Plan & Template."

CARRIED

Off-School Site Request – Collège Jeanne-Sauvé

379/2007 Trustees Daoust – Ruff: "THAT the off-school site request from Collège Jeanne-Sauvé for a tour of France from March 26, 2008 to April 4, 2008 be approved at no cost to the Board."

CARRIED

School Hours of Operation

380/2007 Trustees Johnston – Gervais: "THAT the report on the hours of operation for the Louis Riel School Division Schools for fall of 2007 be received as information."

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION

381/2007 Trustees Gervais - Johnston: "THAT the letter dated April 26, 2007 regarding the Healthy Child Manitoba Early Development Instrument be received as information and referred to the Education Committee."

CARRIED

382/2007 Trustees Seguire - Ruff: "THAT the letter dated May 6, 2007 from Andrew Bendor-Samuel regarding the Français partiel program at École Provencher be received as information and that the Chair respond."

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE – INFORMATION

383/2007 Trustees Coburn - Daoust: "THAT the following correspondence be received as information and placed on file:

1. MAST

- a) Memo dated May 4, 2007 from Carolyn Duhamel regarding Provincial Election – Party Policy/Positions Update #2
- b) Memo dated May 9, 2007 from Carolyn Duhamel regarding Provincial Election – Party Policy/Positions Update #3
- c) Posting, Garden Valley School Division, Student Services Administrator/Assistant Superintendent
- d) Posting, Garden Valley School Division, Assistant Superintendent of Programs and Curriculum
- e) CSBA Picks
- f) Metro Matters, ASBA Conference
- g) Memo dated May 9, 2007 from Keith Thomas regarding School Patrol Vests and Flags
- h) Newspaper Clippings for April 2007
- i) Executive Highlights, May 7, 2007

2. PUBLIC SCHOOLS FINANCE BOARD

- a) Letter dated May 2, 2007 from George Marchildon, Mechanical Engineer and Rick Dedi, Executive Director regarding École Provencher – Steam Heating System Replacement

3. OTHER

- a) Statistics Canada Secondary School Graduates information
- b) Letter dated April 30, 2007 from École Provencher Parent Council regarding the Français partiel program (copy to the Board)
- c) Letter dated May 2, 2007 from Tia Cumming, Principal and Lisa Lewis, Vice-Principal of George McDowell School thanking the Board for the SCIP grant
- d) Letter dated May 7, 2007 from Jane Edstrom, President, South Central Athletic Conference inviting a trustee to the SCAC Scholar-Athlete Luncheon

4. SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS

- a) École St. Germain
- b) École Guyot
- c) École Varennes
- d) École Provencher
- e) Island Lakes Community School
- f) Marion School."

CARRIED

PUBLIC FORUM

Questions were raised with regard to École Henri-Bergeron and École Provencher.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- 384/2007 Trustees Ruff - Seguire: "THAT the Board of Trustees resolves itself into Committee of the Whole – in-camera." CARRIED
- 385/2007 Trustees Gervais - Coburn: "THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report." CARRIED
- 386/2007 Trustees Gervais - Daoust: "THAT the Financial Update Report as at April 30, 2007 be received as information." CARRIED
- 387/2007 Trustees Daoust - Johnston: "THAT Diane Lamoureux be appointed Vice-Principal of Collège Jeanne-Sauvé effective August 2007." CARRIED
- 388/2007 Trustees Richardson - Parker: "THAT the Superintendent's Report regarding CUPE bargaining be adopted." CARRIED
- 389/2007 Trustees Johnston - Ruff: "THAT Trustee Tom Parker be appointed a member of the PPDF Guideline Review Committee." CARRIED
- 390/2007 Trustees Johnston - Daoust: "THAT the suspension appeal of student No. 21992 be denied." CARRIED
- 391/2007 Trustees Daoust – Gervais: "THAT the meeting be adjourned." CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer