

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE
ENGLISH MONTREAL SCHOOL BOARD

A Special meeting of the English Montreal School Board was held in the Charles Bancroft Room, 6000 Fielding Avenue, on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at 5:58 p.m.

Commissioners Present

Mr. Agostino Cannavino Commissioner
Mr. Julien Feldman, Commissioner
Mr. Norm Gharibian, Parent Commissioner
Mr. Joseph Lalla, Commissioner
Mr. Pietro Mercuri, Parent Commissioner
Ms. Mubeenah Mughal, Parent Commissioner
Mr. Rosario Ortona, Commissioner
Me Joe Ortona, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Andrew Ross, Parent Commissioner

Absent

Mr. Mordechai Antal, Commissioner
Mr. James Kromida, Commissioner
Ms. Sylvia Lo Bianco, Commissioner
Ms. Angela Mancini, Chairman
Mr. Bernie Praw, Commissioner

Present:

Ms. A. M. Matheson, Director General
Me B. Duhême, Deputy Director General, Administration Division
Me N. Lauzière, Secretary General

1.	<p><u>Proper Notice of the Agenda</u></p> <p>It was reported that the notice calling this special meeting had been forwarded by the Secretary General to all Members of Council via email.</p>
2.	<p><u>Approval of the Agenda</u></p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY MR. P. MERCURI AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT the agenda be approved as presented.</p> <p>VOTE: 9-0-0</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Resolution # 19-11-27-2</u></p>
3.	<p><u>Motion to Move In Camera</u></p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY MR. J. LALLA AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT the meeting move In Camera at 5:59 p.m.</p> <p>VOTE: 9-0-0</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Resolution # 19-11-27-3</u></p>
	<p>The meeting resumed from In Camera at 7:07 p.m.</p>
4.	<p><u>Adoption of Resolution(s) from In Camera Session</u></p> <p>3.2 <u>Day-To-Day Management of Litigation</u></p> <p>WHEREAS the EMSB has an active legal challenge before the Quebec Superior Court pertaining to the forced transfer of two of its schools by Order-in-Council in June 2019 and the constitutionality of s. 477.1.1 of the <i>Education Act</i>;</p> <p>WHEREAS the EMSB has an active legal challenge before the Quebec Superior Court pertaining to the constitutionality of <i>An act respecting the laicity of the State</i>;</p> <p>WHEREAS in the context of the day to day management of these legal challenges, the EMSB may need to enter into agreements, including with experts and parties in the court challenges having aligned interests with the EMSB;</p> <p>IT WAS MOVED BY MR. A. ROSS AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT the EMSB delegate to the Director General the authority to enter into agreements relating to the court challenges on its behalf.</p> <p>VOTE: 9-0-0, Adopted</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Resolution #19-11-27-3.2</u></p>
5.	<p><u>Question Period</u></p> <p>No questions</p>
6.	<p><u>Adjournment</u></p> <p>On a motion by Mr. A. Cannavino, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.</p> <p>VOTE: 9-0-0</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Resolution # 19-11-27-6</u></p>

Signed in Montreal,

Me Joe Ortona, Chairman

Me Nathalie Lauzière, Secretary General