



Lester B Pearson School Board Parents' Committee

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)
April 25, 2018 (rescheduled from April 12)
5h30 p.m., room 123
1925 Brookdale Ave, Dorval

MEETING SUMMARY

Attendees: Mike Besner, Laura Derry, Carol Heffernan, Leonard Lotuche, Danny Olivenstein, Domenic Pavone, Diane Pellerin,
Guests: Yannick Bissonnette, Mike Paquette

Updates:

- Current bus strikes: Yannick Bissonnette gave some information to the committee on behalf of Lucien Bissonnette Inc (LBI) and presented some information on negotiations, as well as continuing a business relationship with LBPSB.
- Mike Paquette discussed with the committee in very general terms the incident with a special needs bus earlier this year, and more specifically addressed the safety concerns of his company and their commitment to our students.

Topics:

- Further to the discussion regarding the status of negotiations with the drivers' unions TAC passed a motion that we send a resolution to the council of commissioners that we terminate our contract with LBI if the strike persists. Our contract with them does have an out clause if they miss a certain number of consecutive days (3). The routes that are dropped would be picked up by other carriers currently under contract with LBPSB. *Update: After the meeting the bus drivers accepted a contract, drivers returned to work on Thursday morning, April 26th.*
- The 2018-2019 Student Transportation Organizational Plan was presented and passed to be presented to the Council of Commissioners for their next meeting. Due to decreasing enrolment it looks like the LBPSB will be cutting two buses. At this time it is not believed that cutting two buses will be felt in the overall plan.
- Many schools in the LBPSB use walking paths in the calculation of distances to travel to school. Several maps were presented at the meeting. The ultimate objective of the discussion was specific to Margaret Manson school and the use of a path which is currently not being used in the

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calculations to get to the school. The path is maintained in winter. Any change would affect 72 students, based on current estimates. Accommodation busing would be provided.

- There was another item on the agenda regarding roundabouts and walking distance, unfortunately I was unable to stay for this agenda item.

Action Items: In bullet form, name any relevant activities this group will be undertaking in the time before the next meeting:

Date of next meeting: mid-May, possibly May 14th, TBD

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