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By Laws-cont.

"If any recommendation of the Supervisor for any appointment is not accepted by the Board, the Supervisor shall, at a later meeting of the Board, recommend another person for such appointment."

Carried unanimously:

Long Vacation:

The Supervisor reported in regard to extending the summer vacation beyond Labour Day, quoting Regulations as laid down by the Department of Education, which regulations were definite and could not be departed from except by special permission of the Minister of Education. Any departure from the calendar would create a problem in that our statistics would all have to be adjusted to conform with the Provincial pattern. Further, he had been told, in discussing the matter with the officials of the Department that the Minister was reiruring the topic of vacations with the idea of extending the school year to 200 days. Under the circumstances, the Supervisor did not think it would be advisable to undertake any change in the school calendar at this time.

Moved by Commr. Cowan, seconded by Commr. Smith that a letter be written the Minister of Education, advising that if he is considering extending the School year, that consideration be given to the shortening of the holidays at Easter or Christmas, rather than making any change in the vacation, during the summer season.

Africville School:

Report presented from Mr. Marshall, Supervisor of Schools in regard to Africville School, stating that a survey had been made by the Principal of the School, through the children,

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Africville School: and he stated that 75% of the parents were in favour of having the children come into the City Schools. A Meeting had been held of the parents which brought out the same information, although the meeting was not fully attended.

Moved by Councillor. Cuan, seconded by Councillor. Woodill that the children be brought into the nearest City Schools, and the Africville School be closed for this year, on an experimental basis; further that provision be made for using the teachers on the City Staff, if other positions are not forthcoming.

Supervisor Marshall asked that his objection to this move be recorded in the Minutes, as mentioned in his previous report; he felt that the School should remain as it is at the present time, with necessary and possible improvements being made.