

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON APRIL 26, 2017

A Regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board was held in the boardroom of the Administration Centre, 235 Montée Lesage, Rosemere, QC on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 19:30 hours, at which were present:

Present: Jennifer Maccarone, Chair; Commissioner Dean Dugas, Vice-Chair; Commissioners Robert Dixon, Guy Gagnon, Paolo Galati, Vicky Kallotzakis, Peter MacLaurin, Anne McMullon, Emilio Migliozi, Ailsa Pehi and Parent Commissioners Sergio Di Marco, Stéphane Henley and Bob Pellerin; and Paul Lamoureux, Director General.

Also present were: Frédéric Greschner, Assistant Director General; Robin Bennett, Director of Information Technology; Richard Blondin, Director of Financial Resources; Jérôme Dionne, Director of Material Resources; Richard Greschner, Director of Human Resources; Tina Korb, Director of Educational Services; Stephanie Krenn, Director of Schools & Interim Director of School Organization & Transportation; Silvia Patella, Interim Director of Complementary Services; and Jocelyne Thompson-Ness, Administration Officer.

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

TIME: 19:32 hours

0.0 RECOGNITION:

The Chair and the Director General recognized the following employees and congratulated them on their achievements:

- Adaku Arhin, a teacher at Hillcrest Academy, and Tim Foreman, pedagogical consultant, for their workshop based on Ms. Arhin's unit for Black History Month at the 2017 LCEEQ Conference;
- Saba Din and Peter Clark, pedagogical consultants, for their workshop at the 2017 National Council for Teachers of Mathematics Annual Conference entitled "Embracing Messy Mathematics: Strengthening Reasoning through Hands-On Geometry Problems";
- Jennifer Lozyk, a teacher at Laval Senior Academy, for her contribution and commitment to student success with her collection of resources to support the secondary IV History program;
- Véronique Landry, pedagogical consultant, for being informally recognized by the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur and the Ministère de la Culture et des Communications for her work in promoting culture in the schools and for organizing the distribution of project funds. She has also been featured in the *Bulletin Bulle* newsletter;
- Andy Walker, a teacher at Rosemere High School, for his dedication to the soccer concentration program of the school board.

The Chair called the meeting to order.

TIME: 19:39 hours

1.0 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

CC-170426-CA-0062

Commissioner Paolo Galati MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as presented in document #SWLSB-2017/04/26-CA-001.

Carried unanimously

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**CC-170426-CA-0063**

Parent Commissioner Bob Pellerin MOVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on February 22, 2017 having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as presented.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners & Parent Commissioners voting YEA:	Sergio Di Marco, Robert Dixon, Dean Dugas, Paolo Galati, Stéphane Henley, Vicky Kaliozakis, Peter Maclaurin, Bob Pellerin
Commissioners & Parent Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Anne McMullon, Emilio Migliozi, Ailsa Pehi

3.0 QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

4.0 REPORTS FROM THE CHAIR & DG**4.1 Chair's Report:**

The Chair presented her monthly report noting the following:

- Ministry meetings and activities;
- School visits and activities;
- Premier Couillard's visits to Laurentian Regional High School and Laval to listen to the communities. He was generous with his time with the students;
- As Chair, she had the opportunity to meet one-on-one with the Premier and was able to mention the school board's needs with respect to taxation, pre-kindergarten, Adult Education and Vocational Training, flexibility for the budget rules and growing the school community;
- The education budget is to be increased by approximately 4.5%, which translates into approximately \$600,000,000 for the education sector for support of pre-school, elementary and secondary schools, direct service positions, an allotment to better prepare parents and children for the transition from home to school, infrastructure and digital strategies;
- As a distinct and diverse community, the English sector has requested flexibility with the monies from the budget increase;
- The Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) has been visiting various regions of the province to make announcements concerning the *maintien des bâtiments*. When the MEES was in Laval, it was announced that this school board will be receiving funding for 15 projects in Laval. Announcements for Laurentides and Lanaudière are pending;
- She met with the Ministre to discuss community concerns and the topic of taxation, once again. The Ministre noted that there will be no changes to school taxation for 2017-2018 but that a plan is being developed that will be implemented, hopefully, for the 2018-2019 school year;

- The next school elections are scheduled for November 4, 2018, which is one month after the provincial elections so there is speculation that the school elections will be pushed back.

4.2 *Director General's Report:*

The Director General commented on his monthly report noting:

- The new communication tool, *DG Connection*, is aimed at improving communications with school board employees and stakeholders by providing important news, messages, etc. This publication will provide information in a more expedient fashion;
- In spite of a recent university study that noted challenges of a pre-kindergarten program, the school board has applied for five additional pre-kindergarten programs for Grenville, John F. Kennedy, Joliette, Laurentian and Ste-Adele elementary schools. It is felt that this program is vital to the northern communities. The pre-kindergarten program at Rawdon Elementary School and Ste-Agathe Academy has had a positive impact on the students who have participated;
- His attendance at the Comité MEES-Partenaires representing the English Directors General to discuss recent and additional measures announced in the recent provincial budget to ensure that the English community is included. There will be investments in early literacy and numeracy, sports initiatives, healthy lifestyles, special needs and school perseverance for high school;
- Enrolment is a concern for this school board and all English school boards so strategies are being examined as to how to keep students at this school board when they transition from grade 6 to high school. Programs need to be kept viable and sustainable so creativity is essential;
- The Ville de Rosemère has donated a playground structure worth \$40,000 to McCaig Elementary School;
- Congratulations were extended to:
 - Mary Lazaris on being named as one of Canada's Outstanding Principals;
 - all students who participated in the Hydro-Québec Montréal Regional Science Fair;
 - Morin Heights Elementary School who participated in the Staples "2017 Superpower Your School" contest for eco-friendly initiatives. The school was one of 700 across Canada that entered and was selected as one of the 10 finalists that won \$25,000 to purchase technology equipment from the sponsor.

In response to a question from the Vice-Chair, the Director General noted that he has not seen the entire study on pre-kindergarten but it was conducted in over 200 pre-kindergarten programs in Québec. In order to find out if there were any English pre-kindergarten groups in the study, the school board would have to make a request to the university research department that conducted the study.

4.3 *Electoral Divisions - Laval:*

The Chair provided background information on the following resolution.

CC-170426-CA-0064

WHEREAS on March 17, 2015, the *Commission de la représentation électorale* ("The Commission") tabled its preliminary report regarding the boundaries of the electoral divisions to the National Assembly;

WHEREAS provincial leaders publicly opposed changes to the electoral ridings of Chomedey and Fabre;

WHEREAS Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board works in close partnership with our political counterparts in these very important territories to the English minority community and the English education community in Québec;

WHEREAS despite only having a margin of maneuver of plus or minus 25% and despite no provision existing in the *Election Act* to proceed in the following manner, the Commission allowed the electoral divisions of Abitibi-Est, Abitibi-Ouest, Bonaventure, Gaspé, René-Lévesque and Ungava to deviate even further from the minimum allowed by law so that these divisions have between 26.8 and 44.0% below the average number of voters proposed per division;

WHEREAS the deviation of plus or minus 25% used by the Commission de la représentation électorale du Québec creates a severe inequality in the weight of a vote where some divisions may have 70% fewer voters than others;

WHEREAS Article 15 of the *Election Act* stipulates that any restructuring of electoral boundaries must take into account the surrounding natural communities as being a representation of the electors;

WHEREAS the current proposal of the Directeur général des élections du Québec (DGEQ) divides the Laval Hellenic community at the heart of their community;

WHEREAS an alternative solution to the redrawn map for Chomedey and Fabre ridings, including the addition of a section of Chomedey North, bounded by Autoroute 440, Le Carrefour Blvd., Route 117 and the A-15, annexing the riding of Sainte-Rose, has been proposed and is acceptable to the Laval Hellenic community;

Commissioner Vicky Kalitziakos MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board hereby opposes changes to the electoral ridings of Chomedey and Fabre;

AND THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board calls for the Directeur général des élections du Québec to reverse its decision regarding the redrawn of Chomedey and Fabre and consider the alternative proposed by the Laval provincial leadership;

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Québec, the leader of the Official Opposition, the leaders of the other parties at the National Assembly, the Members of the National Assembly within the affected ridings as well as to the Council of Commissioners of the Commission scolaire de Laval.

Carried unanimously

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING

5.1 *Appointment – Director of School Affairs & Organization:*

The Director General thanked all who applied for this position and went on to congratulate Florence Delorme, Principal of John F. Kennedy Elementary School, on her new position as of July 1, 2017.

CC-170426-HR-0065

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolution #CC-170125-HR-0050, the 2017-2018 Organizational Chart for Management;

WHEREAS the Organizational Chart created the position of Director of School Affairs & School Organization;

WHEREAS the position was posted and a Selection Committee was held on April 10, 2017;

Commissioner Vicky Kalitziakos MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee, the Council of Commissioners engage **Florence Delorme** as Director of School Affairs & School Organization, effective July 1, 2017, in accordance with the Regulation Governing the Working Conditions of Management Staff of School Boards and the Management Policies of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

Carried unanimously

5.2 *Budget Building Consultation Results:*

The Director of Financial Resources presented the final results of the 2017-2018 budget building consultation noting that the response to the consultation was 100% and that the priorities selected are very similar, if not the same, as those of 2016-2017. The top priorities are special needs and playground/building repair and maintenance.

6.0 DECISION ITEMS:

6.1 HUMAN RESOURCES

6.1.1 *Assignment & Transfer of In-School Administrators 2017-2018:*

The Vice-Chair MOVED THAT the Council go "in camera".

TIME: 20:14 hours

The meeting resumed.

TIME: 20:59 hours

The Director General reviewed the process used in the assignment and transfer process noting that the key elements included in the criteria consulted upon with the Governing Boards are taken into consideration.

CC-170426-HR-0066

WHEREAS it is the responsibility of the Director General to recommend to the Council of Commissioners the assignment of the Principals, Vice-Principals and Centre Directors prior to May 15 annually in accordance with Policy n° 2000-HR-01: Regulating the Working Conditions of Management Staff represented by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators' Association (SWLAA) and Policy n° 2000-HR-02: Regulating the Working Conditions of Management Staff represented by the Association québécoise des cadres scolaires (AQCS);

WHEREAS Principals, Vice-Principals and Centre Directors have submitted their career plans for 2017-2018 to the Director General as requested;

WHEREAS the career plans of all the Principals, Vice-Principals and Centre Directors have been reviewed by the Director General;

WHEREAS meetings were held with the Principals, Vice-Principals and Centre Directors;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators Association (SWLAA) and Association québécoise des cadres scolaires (AQCS) were presented with the criteria for assignment and transfer of Principals, Vice-Principals and Centre Directors;

WHEREAS, as per section 79 (2) of the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3), the Governing Boards were consulted on the selection criteria for the appointment of the Principal;

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director General, the Council of Commissioners approve the assignment of the Principals, Vice-Principals and Centre Directors, effective July 1, 2017, as follows:

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	PRINCIPALS	VICE-PRINCIPALS
Arundel (60-40)	VACANT	
Crestview	Aimee-Elizabeth Parsons	
Franklin Hill	André Gionet	
Genesis	Lynn Neveu	
Grenville (60-40)	Nancy Bennett	
Hillcrest Academy	Mary Lazaris	Irene Tsimiklis
John F. Kennedy	Christina Cichon	
Joliette Elementary	Dan Tremblay	
Jules Verne	Marie-Helen Goyetche	
Laurentia	Karen Moore	
Laurentian Elementary	Robertina Janzic	
McCaig	Richard Mason	Melissa Rioux
Morin Heights	Grace Courey	
Mountainview	Irene Agosto	
Our Lady of Peace	Tammie Marlin	
Pierre Elliott Trudeau	Bessie Tsatoumas	
Pinewood	Christyne Legault	
Rawdon	Johanne Éthier	
Souvenir	Eric Ruggi	Lyanna Bravo
St-Jude	Tania Marchitello	
St-Paul	Lisa Verrall	
St-Vincent	Nadia Anwar	
Ste-Adèle (60-40)	Carolynn Roberts	
Ste-Agathe Academy	France Celestino	
Terry Fox	Serge-Edouard Jeanniton	
Twin Oaks	Dena Chronopoulos	Charles Chagnon

HIGH SCHOOLS	PRINCIPALS	VICE-PRINCIPALS
Joliette High School	VACANT	
Lake of Two Mountains	Alan Simoneau	
Laurentian Regional	Christina Shousha	Ian Cavanagh
Laval Junior Academy	Josée Côte	Tina Miscio
		Helen Kalipolidis
Laval Senior Academy	Nathalie Rollin	Jennifer Vaughan
		Sonia Garofalo
		VACANT
Phoenix Alternative	Darlene Miller	
Rosemere High School	Karen Lorenz	Gail Latter-Spillane
		VACANT
Ste-Agathe Academy	France Celestino	
Mountainview Prévost, Cartier, Lac Echo	Gina Persechino	
CENTRES	CENTRE DIRECTORS	
CDC-Pont Viau	Eileen Kelly	
CDC-Vimont	Heather Halman	

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners & Parent Commissioners voting YEA:	Robert Dixon, Dean Dugas, Guy Gagnon, Paolo Galati, Stéphane Henley, Vicky Kaliozakis, Peter MacLaurin, Jennifer Maccarone, Anne McMullon, Ailsa Pehi, Bob Pellerin
Commissioners & Parent Commissioners voting NAY:	Sergio Di Marco, Emilio Migliozi

6.1.2 Director of Pedagogical Services – Selection Committee:

The Chair indicated that she wished to sit on the Selection Committee and called for nominations for the remaining places.

The Vice-Chair nominated Commissioner Peter MacLaurin. Commissioner MacLaurin accepted the nomination.

Commissioner Paolo Galati volunteered to be an alternate.

Parent Commissioner Sergio Di Marco nominated Parent Commissioner Bob Pellerin. Parent Commissioner Pellerin accepted the nomination.

CC-170426-HR-0067

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-170125-HR-0050, approving the Organizational Chart for Management for 2017-2018;

WHEREAS the Organizational Chart for Management for 2017-2018 creates the position of Director of Pedagogical Services;

Parent Commissioner Sergio Di Marco MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Director of Human Resources to post the position of Director of Pedagogical Services.

AND THAT the Selection Committee be established in accordance with section 5.2 of policy #2000-HR-02: Regulating the Working Conditions of Management Staff Represented by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Section Association des cadres scolaires du Québec AND section 5.4 of policy #2000-HR-01: Regulating the Working Conditions of Management Staff represented by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators' Association;

FURTHER THAT the Selection Committee be established as follows to hold interviews:

Chair:	Jennifer Maccarone
Commissioner:	Peter MacLaurin
Parent Commissioner:	Sergio Di Marco
Commissioner Alternate:	Paolo Galati
Commissioner Alternate:	Bob Pellerin
Director General or Delegate	
Director of Human Resources	
Representative of AQCS	
Representative of SWLAA	

Carried unanimously

6.2 COMMUNICATIONS & CORPORATE AFFAIRS

6.2.1 *Suspension of Classes and/or Emergency Closures Policy:*

The Chair noted that the amendments to this policy have been discussed by the Corporate Committee.

CC-170426-HR-0068

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-061213-HR-0072, approving policy #2006-HR-07: Inclement Weather & Emergency Closing of Establishments;

WHEREAS it has become necessary to amend this policy in order to reflect the current reality of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Commissioner Ailsa Pehi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve for consultation the amendments to policy #2006-HR-07: Suspension of classes and/or Emergency closure of establishment(s) during unusual and unpredictable circumstances or inclement weather;

AND THAT the proposed amendments to policy #2006-HR-07 be subject to a 40-day consultation with the Laurier Teachers Union, the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators Association (SWLAA), the Association québécoise des cadres scolaires – SWL Chapter (AQCS), the SEPB, CSN and Professionals beginning on April 27, 2017 and ending on June 5, 2017.

Carried unanimously

6.2.2 *Date, Time & Place of Council and Executive Committee Meetings 2017-2018:*

Council of Commissioners:

CC-170426-CA-0069

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolution #000126-CA-0130, adopting by-law #BL2000-CA-05: Day, Time & Place of Regular Meetings of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS it has become necessary to amend this by-law to bring it in line with the 2017-2018 meeting dates for the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize for consultation the amendments to by-

law #BL2000-CA-05: Date, Time & Place of Regular Meetings of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

AND THAT this proposed by-law be subject to the consultation process for by-laws, as per section 392 of the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3);

FURTHER THAT this by-law be presented for adoption at the June 28, 2017 meeting of the Council of Commissioners.

Carried unanimously

Executive Committee:

CC-170426-CA-0070

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolution # CC-080625-CA-0232, adopting by-law #BL2008-CA-15: Date, Time & Place of Regular Meetings of the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS it has become necessary to amend this by-law to bring it in line with the 2017-2018 meeting dates for the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize for consultation the amendments to by-law #BL2008-CA-15: Date, Time & Place of Regular Meetings of the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

AND THAT this proposed by-law be subject to the consultation process for by-laws, as per section 392 of the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3).

FURTHER THAT this by-law be presented for adoption at the June 28, 2017 meeting of the Council of Commissioners.

Carried unanimously

6.2.3 Student Ombudsman:

In response to a question from the Vice-Chair, the Director General advised that the Ethics Commissioner is remunerated on a case-by-case basis and that there would be no conflict of interest with respect to Mr. Guida holding both positions.

CC-170426-CA-0071

WHEREAS the position of Student Ombudsman for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is currently vacant;

WHEREAS the school board has approached its current Ethics Commissioner to act as interim Student Ombudsman until the engagement of a replacement;

WHEREAS the Ethics Commissioner has agreed to act as interim Student Ombudsman until the engagement of a replacement and to be remunerated as per the "Regulation respecting the remuneration of arbitrators" (c. C-27, r.4.3);

Parent Commissioner Bob Pellerin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage **Vincenzo Guida**, Lawyer, as the interim Student Ombudsman, effective April 1, 2017 until a replacement is named.

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Carried unanimously

6.2.4 *MEES Day Care – Souvenir ES:*

CC-170426-TS-0072

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners adopted resolution #EC-161214-TS-0028 adopting the three-year plan portion of policy #2017-CA-02: Deeds of Establishment and Three-Year Plan for Allocation and Destination of Immovables;

WHEREAS the school-based daycare services at Souvenir Elementary School are currently provided by a private childcare service;

WHEREAS the private childcare service has advised Souvenir Elementary School that it will cease to provide services as of June 30, 2017;

WHEREAS the Governing Board of Souvenir Elementary School has approved a motion requesting that the school board establish a Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) funded school-based day care service beginning July 1, 2017;

Commissioner Ailsa Pehi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee and Governing Board of Souvenir Elementary School, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Director General to make the necessary arrangements for a Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) funded school-based day care for Souvenir Elementary School, effective for the 2017-2018 school year;

AND THAT the three-year plan for Souvenir Elementary School be modified to include the establishment of a Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) funded school-based day care;

FURTHER THAT policy #2017-CA-02: Deeds of Establishment and Three-Year Plan for Allocation and Destination of Immovables be modified to include this change.

Carried unanimously

6.2.5 *Ville de Laval & Jeux du Québec 2020:*

The Chair and Commissioner Paolo Galati encouraged everyone to support the Ville de Laval's bid to host the final of the 2020 Jeux du Québec and requested that it be promoted on the school board's Facebook page.

CC-170426-CA-0073

WHEREAS the Ville de Laval wishes to host the Finale des Jeux du Québec in the summer of 2020 in cooperation with the following partners: Commission scolaire de Laval, Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, Collège Montmorency, Collège Laval, Tourisme Laval, Chambre de commerce et d'industrie de Laval, Collège Letendre, Cosmodôme, Centre intégré de Santé et de Services sociaux de Laval and Sports Laval;

WHEREAS these games represent a unique opportunity to mobilize community members around a common objective and to make Laval's citizens proud;

WHEREAS organizing these games will enable Laval to obtain the necessary sports equipment;

WHEREAS this event will play a role in promoting the culture of Laval as well as its heritage, institutions and artists;

WHEREAS organizing these games will make it possible to implement a plan aimed at developing Laval's athletes;

WHEREAS these games will help to promote the importance of sports and physical activity among the citizens of Laval;

WHEREAS these games will make it possible to develop an expertise and set up a fund for organizing other events;

WHEREAS hosting these games is in line with the objectives of the Healthy Eating and Active Living policy of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the Ville de Laval and its partners have the necessary resources for hosting such an event;

Commissioner Paolo Galati MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board support the bid of the Ville de Laval as the host city of the Finale des Jeux du Québec in the summer of 2020 and encourage its members to volunteer their time in support of the bidding committee.

Carried unanimously

6.3 MATERIAL RESOURCES

6.3.1 *Renewal of Lease – CDC St-Eustache:*

The Director of Material Resources provided background on the lease for CDC St-Eustache and answered questions and concerns:

- The school board gets a 68% return on GST and PST;
- Leeway is required in case the August opening of the Multi Service Centre is delayed as the school board still needs to have the time to vacate the current premises and return the space to its original state;
- If the new centre opens as planned, the school board will have to honour the conditions of the lease renewal;
- The lease is also necessary so that the current cohorts can finish the program;
- The lease is subsidized by the MEES by 55-60%.

CC-170426-MR-0074

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-160629-MR-0137 approving the extension of the lease agreement with 8062617 Canada Inc. Tritex, from 2016-07-01 to 2017-06-30, with a possibility of a longer term without exceeding two years (2016-07-01 to 2018-06-30) and also approved, for the 2016-2017 school year, a lease payment of 298 216,20\$ before taxes, (342 874,08\$ all taxes included);

WHEREAS the delivery of the new Multi Service Centre building is scheduled for August 2017;

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the extension of the lease agreement with 8062617 Canada Inc. Tritex, from July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017;

AND THAT, for the aforementioned six-month period, a total payment of 186 001,80\$ before taxes (213 855,57\$ all taxes included) be approved as per detailed below:

Lease – CDC St-Eustache July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017	Before taxes	All taxes included
Basic lease payment	144 001,80\$	165 566,07\$
Additional fees (shared operating costs and property taxes)	42 000,00\$	48 289,57\$
Total payment:	186 001,80\$	213 855,57\$

FURTHER THAT the Chair, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this lease.

Carried unanimously

6.3.2 Renewal of Lease – CDC Vimont:

The Director of Material Resources provided background information on the renewal of the lease for CDC Vimont and answered questions and concerns as follows:

- Moving the CDC Vimont to another location has been examined and several locations have been visited over the past year and a request to the MEES for a new building to house the centre is being considered;
- The new lease allows for the school board to terminate the lease without penalty after three years of the five-year lease, if a more conducive location is found;
- Plans are being made with the Centre Director to have extra space available in peak periods until a long-term plan is developed;
- Commercial leases are usually not available for one year;
- Parking at CDC Vimont is an issue and the school board will have to speak with surrounding businesses to see if they would be willing to rent space in their parking areas;
- The Ville de Laval owns some of the property behind the building and was contemplating building a parking lot but has since changed its mind;
- The school board is looking to see if there is additional space to house the students at the current location as well as at other locations but there is no guarantee that the MEES will provide a subsidy for additional space;
- The owner of the other piece of land behind the centre will be approached to see if he would be interested in renting the land for use as an additional parking lot;
- An update on the parking situation at CDC Vimont will be provided at the next meeting.

CC-170426-MR-0075

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution # CC-110518-MR-0088 approving a five-year extension of the lease agreement, from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2017, with a renewal option, with Les Constructions Grano Inc. et Construction Agosto inc., for the rental of space at 2100, boul. Des Laurentides, Laval, QC, for the continued operation of the CDC Laurier-Vimont;

WHEREAS Material Resources and Adult Education & Vocational Training Departments have agreed that it would be in the best interest of the school board to renew the lease for a five-year period starting with the 2017-2018 school year, with a no-cost resiliation option after the third year;

Commissioner Anne McMullon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources and the Adult Education & Vocational Training Directors, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board renew the current lease and enter into a five-year lease agreement, with a no-cost resiliation option after the third year, from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2022 with Les Constructions Grano Inc. et Construction Agosto inc., for the rental of space at 2100, boul. Des Laurentides, Laval, QC, for the continued operation of the CDC Laurier-Vimont;

AND THAT, for the 2017-2018 school year, a total payment of 245 561,01\$ before taxes (282 333,77\$, all taxes included) be approved as per detailed below:

Lease – CDC Vimont July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2022	Before taxes	All taxes included
Basic lease payment	168 503,70\$	193 737,13\$
Additional fees (shared operating costs and property taxes)	77 057,31\$	88 596,65\$
Total payment:	245 561,01\$	282 333,78\$

AND THAT for the school years 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021 and 2021-2022, the annual basic lease payment be increased in accordance with the Consumer Price Index (Indice des prix à la consommation (IPC));

AND THAT for the school years 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021 and 2021-2022, the additional fees (shared operating costs and property taxes) could be increased depending on taxation rates and actual operational costs;

FURTHER THAT, the Chair, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners & Parent Commissioners voting YEA:	Sergio Di Marco, Robert Dixon, Dean Dugas, Guy Gagnon, Stéphane Henley, Vicky Kaliotzakakis, Peter MacLaurin, Anne McMullon, Emilio Migliozi, Ailsa Pehi, Bob Pellerin
Commissioners & Parent Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Paolo Galati

6.3.3 Engagement of Contractor – Windows, Doors, Foundation & Siding Work – Ste-Adele:

The Director of Material Resources reviewed the tenders for the doors, windows, foundation and exterior siding work at Ste-Adèle Elementary School noting the following and answering questions and concerns:

- The tenders were within the estimates of the professionals;
- Due diligence was done with the three lowest conformable bidders to ensure accuracy;
- The project budget set by the MEES for this project was met.

CC-170426-MR-0076

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-161214-MR-0046, approving the engagement of the architects and engineers to prepare the drawings, plans and tender specifications for the 2016-2017 capital projects and that, upon receipt of the completed drawings, plans and tender specifications, public tenders be called for the services of contractors;

WHEREAS public tenders for the doors and windows, foundation work and exterior siding renovation project at Ste-Adèle Elementary School were called and subsequently opened on 2017-04-19;

WHEREAS the conformability of all bidders has been verified by the Professional;

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the doors and windows, foundation work and exterior siding renovation project at Ste-Adèle Elementary School to **D.M. Quinty Construction (9170-6069 Québec Inc.)**, for a total cost of 708 799,00\$, before taxes, (814 941,65\$, all taxes included);

AND THAT the Chair, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

6.3.4 Engagement of Contractor – Elevator & Washroom Accessibility – Souvenir ES:

The Director of Material Resources reviewed the tenders for the elevator, washroom accessibility and classroom renovation project noting the following and answering questions and concerns:

- the tenders for this project were higher than anticipated but were within the price point estimated by the architect. The funds to cover the excess cost will come from the contingency budget of the *maintien* envelope;
- the project will begin after the last day of classes;
- all necessary precautions are taken if asbestos is found once the project is underway. The area will be sealed off and a third party laboratory will inspect and ensure that the contractor follows the rules for the removal;

Commissioner Vicky Kaliozakis left the meeting.

TIME: 21:48 hours

- the principal of the school will advise the day camp that will be renting the premises during the summer of the projects taking place. All precautions will be taken to ensure the safety and security of the students and staff on the premises. The school board also monitors the projects.

CC-170426-MR-0077

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolutions #CC-161123-MR-0040 and #CC-161214-MR-0046 approving the engagement of the architects and engineers to prepare the drawings, plans and tender specifications for the 2016-2017 capital projects and that, upon receipt of the completed drawings, plans and tender specifications, public tenders be called for the services of contractors;

WHEREAS public tenders for elevator and washroom accessibility and classroom renovations project at Souvenir Elementary School were called and subsequently opened on 2017-04-24;

WHEREAS the conformability of all bidders has been verified by the Professional;

Commissioner Ailsa Pehi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the elevator and washroom accessibility and classroom renovations project at Souvenir Elementary School to **Sélection 2000 Entrepreneur général (9127-6873 Québec Inc.)**, for a total cost of 904 412,70\$, before taxes, (1 039 848,51\$, all taxes included);

AND THAT the Chair, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Commissioner Vicky Kaliozakis returned to the meeting.

TIME: 21:49 hours

6.3.5 Engagement of Contractor – Interior Renovation - OLP:

The Director of Material Resources reviewed the tenders for the interior renovation project noting the following and answering questions and concerns:

- These interior renovations will open a new classroom;
- The bid received was higher than the budget envelope for the project but the balance of the funds will be covered by the *maintien* envelope;
- The majority of the work will be done in the summer months but the project will run into the start of the school year with all efforts being made not to disturb the students;
- He has heard that early delivery of projects could result in a bonus and late delivery of projects in a penalty for contractors and that the incentives have worked. This school board has never tested this option;
- All tenders go through the SEAO (le Système électronique d'appel d'offres du Gouvernement du Québec);
- With the MEES announcing new funding for construction or renovation projects, contractors are being selective in the projects they bid on;
- A guarantee on a project is usually for one year after the project is completed;
- If bonuses or fines were to be given based on the quality of work, the architects and engineers who monitor the projects would be able to advise if either was warranted.

CC-170426-MR-0078

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-161123-MR-0040, approving the engagement of the architects and engineers to prepare the drawings, plans and tender specifications for the 2016-2017 capital projects and that, upon receipt of the completed drawings, plans and tender specifications, public tenders be called for the services of contractors;

WHEREAS public tenders for the complete interior renovation project at Our Lady of Peace Elementary School were called and subsequently opened on 2017-04-24;

WHEREAS the conformability of all bidders has been verified by the Professional;

Commissioner Emilio Migliozi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the complete interior renovation project at Our Lady of Peace Elementary School to **Corporation de construction Germano**, for a total cost of 1 668 099,00\$, before taxes, (1 917 896,83\$, all taxes included);

AND THAT the Chair, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

6.4 ADULT EDUCATION & VOCATIONAL TRAINING

6.4.1 Partnership Agreement – SWLSB, CS des Affluents & CS des Samares:

The Chair thanked everyone who worked on this Partnership Agreement noting that it is a benefit for the community.

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WHEREAS regional partnerships are encouraged by the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) to facilitate the organization of Vocational Training services;

WHEREAS English and French school boards are willing to work collaboratively to improve the Vocational Training offer and to maximize investments;

WHEREAS the objective #5 in the partnership agreement between the MEES and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board requires *"an increase in the number of students under 20 years in vocational training"*;

WHEREAS Vocational Training is a priority for Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to support increased accessibility to programs for students in our territory;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, the Commission scolaire des Affluents and the Commission scolaire des Samares have been in discussion about a common Centre for Vocational Training in Lanaudière where Stationary Engine Mechanics (DEP 5146 – Mécanique de machines fixes – in English) and future Vocational Training programs could be offered;

WHEREAS the MEES, in a letter dated September 7, 2016, has authorized a permanent card for the DVS 5646 - Stationary Engine Mechanics Program for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and a permanent card for the DEP 5146 - Mécanique de machines fixes for Commission scolaire des Affluents and Commission scolaire des Samares, respectively;

WHEREAS said letter also authorized funding for the programs contingent upon the three school boards signing a Partnership Agreement that would detail the manner in which space, equipment, revenues and costs would be shared;

WHEREAS Commission scolaire des Affluents, Commission scolaire des Samares and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board have negotiated a Partnership Agreement to this effect;

Commissioner Dean Dugas MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board enter into a Partnership Agreement with the Commission scolaire des Affluents and Commission scolaire des Samares for a Centre for Vocational Training in Lanaudière;

AND THAT the Stationary Engine Mechanics Program (DVS 5646) and Mécanique de machines fixes programs (DEP 5146) be offered at this centre;

FURTHER THAT the Chair, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this partnership.

Carried unanimously

7.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 *SWL Foundation:*

Commissioners Ailsa Pehi and Paolo Galati provided an update on the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation noting the following:

- The Lobster Gala is scheduled for June 8, 2017 and tickets are \$175;
- All proceeds raised at the January Gala have been used to purchase sensory equipment for the schools;
- The SWLF Citizenship Bursary will be presented again this year to a deserving student from each school and centre;
- The Laurier Gala & Star Fest is being held on May 31, 2017 with 13 acts performing;
- 187 students are being recognized at the Laurier Gala.

7.2 *Parent Commissioners Report:*

Parent Commissioner Bob Pellerin noted the following from the April 6, 2017 meeting of the Parents Committee:

- LEARN Québec provided an informative presentation on the services it offers to students;
- The school board's Coordinator of Communications & Public Relations presented the school board's marketing strategy;
- The English Parents' Committee Association (EPCA) has been consulting the all of the English Parents Committees on the new History curriculum. The Sir Wilfrid Laurier Parents Committee supports the position of the EPCA.

7.3 *Report of QESBA:*

The Chair provided an update noting:

- The Quebec English School Boards Association will be looking for a new executive director. The position will be posted in May;
- Noel Burke, Vice-Chair of the Lester B. Pearson School Board will be replacing Suanne Stein-Day, Chair while she is on leave. Mr. Burke will also replace her as Vice-President of QESBA until a new Vice-President is elected.

8.0 QUESTION PERIOD:

There were no questions.

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE:

The Chair drew the Council's attention to the items contained in the package.

10.0 VARIA:

There was no varia.

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin thanked everyone for their support during his time of loss.

The Director General noted that this evening is the last meeting of the Director of Educational Services before her retirement. He extended appreciation and best wishes to Tina Korb on behalf of the school board. She has been a valued member of the team and has contributed so much to education with her belief that as educators a difference can be made.

The Director of Educational Services thanked the Council and the school board for supporting Educational and Complementary Services over the years and for supporting her in all the positions she has held.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED adjournment of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 22:15 hours

NEXT MEETING ⇨ REGULAR ⇨ May 24, 2017

Paul Lamoureux, Director General

Jennifer Maccarone, Chair