

## PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON 2003-06-18

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, 2003-06-18 at 19:30 hours, at which were present:

Steve Bletas, Chairman; William Pollock, Vice-Chairman; Natalie Auclair, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, Morten Schrier, and Edward Turchyniak, Commissioners; Linda Iaconetti and Mike Possian, Parent Commissioners; and Giordano Rosa-del-Vecchio, Director General.

Also present were: Robert Vallerand, Deputy Director General; François Badin, Director of Human Resources; Effie Maniatis, Director of Educational Services; Mireille Ménard, Centre Director Adult Education; Jean-Guy Messier, Director of Information Services; Livia Nassivera, Director of Financial Resources; Raymond Thivierge, Director of Material Resources; and Jocelyne Thompson-Ness, Administration Officer. Several other persons were also in the audience.

Absent: Mary Austin, Glen Haines, Peter Haldimand, Grace Nesi, and Nancy Rupnik, Commissioners.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 19:35 hours.

**1.0 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:**

The following additions and changes to the agenda were proposed:

**67.0 FINANCIAL RESOURCES:**

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**~~13.0 QESBA:~~**

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**~~14.0 PARENTS' COMMITTEE:~~**

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NOTE: Item numbering will change to reflect the amendments to the agenda.

**030618-CA-0177**

Steve Kmec MOVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended in document #2003/06/18-CA-001.

**Carried unanimously**

**2.0 QUESTION PERIOD**

In response to questions from Cheryl Haw, a parent from Holy Rosary Elementary School, the Chairman stated that the portables would be present at Holy Rosary for the 2003-2004 school year.

He went on to advise that all offers of land from municipalities in the lower Lanaudière region were submitted to the Ministère de l'Éducation for consideration and that to date the school board had not received a written offer of land from the Ville de Terrebonne.

The Chairman informed Mrs. Haw that if the school board were to cease plans for the construction of the new school in Repentigny the school board would be making a decision on something for which it does not have Ministère de l'Éducation authorization.

He advised those present that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has been very fortunate to have been granted a new school as very few requests to the Ministère de l'Éducation are authorized.

In response to questions from Suzie Gagnon, a parent from Holy Rosary Elementary School, the Director General advised that the attendance zone for the new school in Repentigny has not yet been established and that it will be developed in the fall once the official September 30 student numbers are received.

He continued, advising Ms. Gagnon that any elementary school can have a Ministère de l'Éducation funded day care and that a parent can send their child to any of these day cares within the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

In response to a question from Guy Laurin, a parent from Holy Rosary Elementary School, the Director General noted that to create a territory to balance student numbers is difficult and that in the long run the school in Repentigny will serve the area and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board well.

The Director General extended appreciation to the parents from the Mascouche area for all of their assistance in the school board's quest for a new school.

In response to an additional question from Mr. Laurin, the Director General noted that he is aware that there is an unsavoury odour in the region of the septic system. He also noted that the septic system at Holy Rosary Elementary School is relatively new and that it has been recently checked for leakage and found to be solid. Other locations around the school are being investigated for the source of the odour.

In response to a question from Nathalie Tremblay, a parent from Holy Rosary Elementary School, the Director General stated that the community will be consulted on the attendance zone for the new school in Repentigny.

In response to a question from Pino Piscioneri, a parent from Holy Rosary Elementary School, the Director General noted that there was no "official" report submitted to the Ministère de l'Éducation, that the same information provided during the consultation on the "Use of Schools for 2003-2004", i.e. the briefs, were submitted with the school board's request for a new school in the lower Lanaudière region.

In response to an additional question from Mr. Piscioneri, the Chairman advised that the school board will not be entertaining any more offers concerning a new school for the lower Lanaudière region as a location has been selected by the Ministère de l'Éducation and the process for the construction of a new school has commenced.

He continued noting that the school board will be requesting additional space for Holy Rosary Elementary School from the Ministère de l'Éducation and that Natalie Auclair, Commissioner, is investigating the availability of land surrounding the school.

### 3.0 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman advised the Council that a caucus meeting would be held on 2003-06-23 to discuss the evaluation of the Director General, the settlement of a legal case and varia.

Edward Turchyniak left the meeting.

**TIME: 20:26 hours**

### 4.0 BUSINESS ARISING

#### 4.1 *Nomination to CRD Laurentides:*

The Deputy Director General advised the Council that senior administrators can sit on the Conseil régional de développement des Laurentides as well as Commissioners.

Natalie Auclair left the meeting.

**TIME: 20:29 hours**

Edward Turchyniak returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 20:29 hours**

### 030618-CA-0178

Morten Schrier MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board name **Mireille Ménard**, Centre Director Adult Education, and **Robert Vallerand**, Deputy Director General, as the representatives of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to the electoral college of the education sector for the purpose of electing a representative of the education sector to sit on the Conseil régional de développement de Laurentides for 2003-2004.

**Carried unanimously**

#### 4.2 *Deeds of Establishment & Three-Year Plan:*

The Deputy Director General presented the changes received from the consultation.

### 030618-CA-0179

WHEREAS section 211 of the Education Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-13.3) requires the school board each year establish a three-year plan of allocation and destination of its immovables;

WHEREAS section 211 also requires the school board to draw up, in accordance with the plan, a list of its schools and of its vocational training and adult education centres and issue a deed of establishment to them;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has carried out the required consultation in conformity with sections 39, 40 and 193 of the Education Act (R.S.Q., Chapter I-13.3);

Walter Fogel MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve policy #2003-CA-02: Deeds of Establishment and Three Year Plan for Allocation and Destination of Immovables.

**Carried unanimously**

#### 4.3 *Sale of Land - Laval:*

The Deputy Director General reviewed the offer received to purchase land in Laval.

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Deputy Director General noted that the payment of capital debts with the proceeds from the sale of this land is what the board is proposing but that if the

Ministère de l'Éducation does not agree with this proposal it will advise the board as to what should be done with the proceeds of the sale.

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**030618-MR-0180**

WHEREAS GESTELIN Inc. has indicated an interest in purchasing the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board's share of lots 1355974, 1357994 and 1355975 located in the City of Laval;

WHEREAS the total area of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board's share of lots 1355974, 1357994 and 1355975 are 199,349.0 sq/ft, 569,256.0 sq/ft and 448,369.0 sq/ft, respectively;

WHEREAS an agreement was concluded with Jean-Pierre Bélisle, Vice-President of GESTELIN Inc. to sell the board's share of these lots for an amount of 130 000,00\$, based on the evaluation report of Thérien Dansereau Courcelles et associés inc.;

WHEREAS it is understood that all notarial fees and land evaluation costs are to be paid by GESTELIN Inc.;

WHEREAS the Directorate and the Executive Committee support this transaction;

James McDougall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee, Directorate and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board request the authorization of the Ministre de l'Éducation to proceed with the sale of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board's share of lots 1355974, 1357994 and 1355975 located in the City of Laval, to GESTELIN Inc., as per the agreement negotiated by the Deputy Director General and the Director of Material Resources with representatives of GESTELIN INC.

AND THAT the sale of land be contingent upon approval of the Ministère de l'Éducation;

AND THAT the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board be authorized to use the proceeds of this sale for the partial payment of capital debts, thereby reducing the deficit of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

AND FURTHER THAT the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Vice-Chairman, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Deputy Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this sale.

**Carried unanimously**

#### **4.4 Storage Area Network (SAN):**

The Deputy Director General advised the Council that as follow-up to the 2003-05-28 meeting of the Council the issue of the Storage Area Network (SAN) had been clarified by the Information Technology department and that this network is necessary in order to cover for existing servers in case one is in jeopardy as it can recover data from other servers. He also noted that the installation of this network would be evolutive over a three-year period.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Deputy Director General noted that the current servers will be kept until the network has evolved to its capacity at which time it will take over from the current servers.

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Deputy Director General noted that the resolution this evening is to authorize the costs of the first phase of the network and that subsequent resolutions would be brought forth for phases 2 and 3.

In response to a question from Edward Turchyniak, the Deputy Director General advised the Council that the Executive Committee has approved a maintenance agreement for the SAN contingent on the network being approved by the Council and that the agreement is for 2003-2004, 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 and includes software upgrades.

In response to a question from Linda Gagnon, the Deputy Director General advised that phases 2 and 3 will only be undertaken if the budget permits, as the recovery plan is a priority.

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**030618-IT-0181**

WHEREAS it is stipulated in policy #99-MR-01: Supply of Goods and Services that public tenders must be called for any purchase over \$50,000.00;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board intends to purchase an evolutive Storage Area Network (SAN) configuration;

WHEREAS the public tenders were opened on 2003-03-20;

WHEREAS the Information Technology Committee recommends that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

WHEREAS Hypertec / Ciara Technology has presented the lowest conformable proposal;

WHEREAS a contract with the supplier is required to support this equipment for a period of 3 years ending June 30, 2006;

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Information Technology Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for qualified supplier of Storage Area Network(SAN) components for the period ending June 30, 2006 to **Hypertec / Ciara Technology**; AND authorizes the purchase of an initial Storage Area Network configuration for a value of \$77 725.84 including taxes, using the 2002 – 2003 Information Technology budget reserved for this project.

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Pierre Garofano, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Edward Turchyniak

**ABST:** Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Steve Kmec, Morten Schrier

**4.5 MEQ Authorization for the Design of the New School in Repentigny:**

The Director General commented on the following proposed resolution noting that it is possible to construct a school with an additional classroom without having to request additional funding. However, it is necessary for the school board to request from the Ministère de l'Éducation authorization to increase the school design by one classroom.

In response to a question from James McDougall, the Director General noted that the additional classroom will not increase the cost of the project but that should the tenders come in over the authorized funding the Ministère de l'Éducation will have to be approached for additional funding which the board will have to prove is not caused by the additional classroom.

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director of Material Resources noted that soil testing has begun on the land in Repentigny.

**030618-MR-0182**

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has received the authorization of the Ministère de l'Éducation to build a school in Repentigny with a denomination of (3) three kindergarten classes, 15 (fifteen) regular classrooms, and (1) one daycare room comprising an area of 3 328 m<sup>2</sup> at a total project cost of 5 178 770 \$;

Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board request the authorization of the Ministère de l'Éducation to build, in Repentigny, a 3 (three) kindergarten classes, 16 (sixteen) classrooms, and (1) one daycare room school, with no increase in the total cost authorized by

the Ministère de l'Éducation, as a result of this addition, of 5 178 770\$, replacing the previous authorization for a (3) three kindergarten classes, (15) fifteen classrooms and one daycare room.

**Carried unanimously  
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Linda Iaconetti left the meeting.

**TIME: 20:55 hours**

#### **4.6 2003-2004 Organizational Chart:**

The Director General commented on the organizational chart for 2003-2004 noting that all the appropriate associations had been consulted on its format.

Linda Iaconetti returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 20:57 hours**

### **030618-HR-0183**

WHEREAS the Human Resources Committee has reviewed the Organizational Chart of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2003-2004 school year;

William Pollock MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee and the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, the Council of Commissioners approve the Organizational Chart as presented in Documents #SWLSB-2003/06/18-HR-001.

**Carried unanimously**

#### **4.7 Day Care Services:**

The Director General commented on the following proposed resolution to mandate him to recover administration costs from private day cares operating in Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board schools.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director General advised that it would not be prudent to include a breakdown of the costs to be recovered as it would lessen flexibility in discussions with the day cares.

Linda Gagnon suggested that "*AND THAT the outstanding administration costs be reimbursed by 2003-06-30*" be removed from the resolution so as to be able to negotiate in good faith and not incite difficult discussions.

The Chairman turned the chair over to the Vice-Chairman in order to speak to the motion.

Steve Bletas noted that there needs to be a specific date as the rules applied to the other schools in the board with day care must also apply to those with private day care.

The Chairman returned to the chair.

Walter Fogel, on a "point of order", advised the Chairman that under Robert's Rules when the Chairman vacates the chair to speak to the motion he must cede the chair until disposal of the motion.

The Chairman did not assume the chair.

The Council entered in to discussion.

Peter MacLaurin, on a "point of order", called for the vote.

Edward Turchyniak noted that 2003-06-30 coincided with the end of the school board's fiscal year and that payment arrangements can be made by the private day cares.

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**030618-CA-0184**

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has analyzed the operating costs of day care services;

WHEREAS Hillcrest Academy and Our Lady of Peace and Souvenir Elementary Schools have private day cares that have yet to reimburse the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for administration costs for these day cares;

Linda Iaconetti MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Director General to recover administration costs from the private day cares at Hillcrest Academy and Our Lady of Peace and Souvenir Elementary Schools for the years 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003.

AND THAT the outstanding administration costs be reimbursed by 2003-06-30.

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

<b>YEA:</b>	<b>Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Edward Turchyniak</b>
<b>NAY:</b>	<b>Walter Fogel</b>
<b>ABST:</b>	<b>Morten Schrier</b>

The Chairman resumed the chair.

**5.0 CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

**5.1 2004 QESBA/AAESQ Spring Conference:**

The Deputy Director General commented on the planning of the 2004 Spring Conference noting that the Program Committee has met to finalize the key notes speakers. Principals will be approached concerning student talent in their schools and will be asked to provide a video tape of talent for consideration to perform at the conference.

**5.2 October 2003 Meetings:**

The Deputy Director General advised the Council that twenty-eight days prior to polling day the Council of Commissioners may not meet unless there are extenuating circumstances that require immediate attention, therefore, the October meeting of the Council will not take place.

**5.3 Date, Time & Place of Meetings:**

The Deputy Director General explained that the Council meeting schedule for the 2003-2004 school year would not be set for the entire year due to the upcoming school elections and that the new Council would be consulted on the schedule for the remainder of the 2003-2004 school year.

In response to a question from Carolyn Curiale, the Deputy Director General explained that either the President of Elections, the Director General or the Secretary General can call the first meeting of a new Council.

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**030618-CA-0185**

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT regular meetings of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board be held at 19:30 hours in the Boardroom of the Administration Centre located at 235 Montée Lesage, Rosemère, Québec on the following dates for the 2003-2004 school year:

2003-08-27  
2003-09-24

**Carried unanimously**

**5.4 Committee Membership 2003-2004:**

The Deputy Director General reviewed the proposal for committee membership for 2003-2004.

Natalie Auclair returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 21:17 hours**

**030618-CA-0186**

WHEREAS in November of 2003 school elections will be held;

WHEREAS the mandate of the current Council of Commissioners comes to an end on the 28<sup>th</sup> day prior to the school elections, 2003-10-19, unless unforeseen circumstances occur whereby a special meeting may be called;

WHEREAS the mandate of all committees of the school board, standing and elected, come to an end on the same date;

Nick Milas MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board extend the mandate of all standing and statutory committees for the period 2003-07-01 to 2003-10-19:

Adult Education Committee  
Advisory Committee on Special Education  
Advisory Committee on Transportation  
Appeals Review Committee  
Committee on the Use of Schools & Other Facilities  
Communications & Public Relations Committee  
Educational Services Committee  
Ethics Review Committee  
Financial Resources Committee  
Human Resources Committee  
Information Technology Committee  
Material Resources Committee  
Transportation Committee

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

**ABST:** Natalie Auclair

**5.5 Remuneration of Commissioners:**

The Deputy Director General reviewed the disbursement of the allocation to Commissioners for 2002-2003.

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In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Deputy Director General noted that the Council had adopted a resolution concerning the disbursement of the allocation and that a new method for the disbursement of the allocation will be considered by the new Council at the end of November.

**030618-FR-0187**

WHEREAS the Government of Québec on June 28, 2000 adopted decree #836-2000 on the annual remuneration of Commissioners;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #000823-CA-0014, which establishes the annual remuneration of Commissioners;

WHEREAS annually the remuneration is adjusted in accordance with the cost of living index;

Carolyn Curiale MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board establish the remuneration of the Commissioners at 142 000\$, as budgeted for the 2002-2003 school year and in conformity with resolution #000823-CA-0014.

AND THAT the amount be disbursed as per document #SWLSB-2003/06/18-CA-002.

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Natalie Auclair, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

**NAY:** Walter Fogel, Steve Kmec

Mike Possian entered the meeting.

**TIME: 21:21 hours**

**5.6 AMT Contract:**

The Deputy Director General commented on the following proposed resolution noting that the Agence Métropolitaine de Transport (AMT) has been very pleased with the service it has received from the ACE Program at Lake of Two Mountains High School, which is a very nice commendation for the ACE Program students and teachers.

Nazario Facchino left the meeting.

**TIME: 21:22 hours**

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Deputy Director General noted that he would look into what is done with the funds earned by the ACE Program in the production of identification cards for the AMT.

**030618-TS-0188**

WHEREAS the ACE Program at Lake of Two Mountains High School has developed an expertise in multimedia production;

WHEREAS the ACE Program has the technology to produce multi-media identification cards;

WHEREAS the Agence Métropolitaine de Transport (AMT) is satisfied with the performance of the ACE Program in the preparation of train passes for the community in Two Mountains;

WHEREAS the Agence Métropolitaine de Transport (AMT) wishes to extend the current contract for an additional two-year period with a further two-year renewal option;

WHEREAS the AMT has provided a draft contract agreement between AMT and Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

**0890**

WHEREAS the draft contract has been examined by the Deputy Director General;

Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate and Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the signing of a new contract between the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board - Agence Métropolitaine de Transport (AMT) contract for a photo identification train pass project to be carried out by the ACE Program at Lake of Two Mountains High School.

AND THAT the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Vice-Chairman, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Deputy Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this contract.

**Carried unanimously**

Nick Milas left the meeting.

**TIME: 21:25 hours**

Nazario Facchino returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 21:25 hours**

#### **5.7 Linguistic Response to New School in Repentigny:**

The Director General advised the Council of a derogatory flyer distributed in the Repentigny area concerning the construction of an English school noting that steps were taken by local authorities and that the person responsible has been questioned.

In response to a concern expressed by Steve Kmec, the Chairman noted that he is confident that the Director General and others have looked after the issue in an appropriate manner.

#### **5.8 Information Pamphlet on Board Activities & Election:**

The Deputy Director General presented the recently developed information pamphlet that will be included in the tax bills to advise taxpayers of the activities of the board.

He extended thanks to Line Desgroseilliers for her high level of commitment in preparing this pamphlet for distribution with the tax bills.

### **6.0 HUMAN RESOURCES**

#### **6.1 Employee Assistance Program:**

The Director of Human Resources commented on the services provided by Montrose Inc. noting that approximately fifty employees had made use of the service during the 2002-2003 school year.

Nick Milas returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 21:31 hours**

### **030618-HR-0189**

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has approved the implementation of an Employee Assistance Program;

WHEREAS this program has been reviewed by the Human Resources Committee and the Executive Committee;

WHEREAS this program is being recommended by the Directorate;

Nazario Facchino MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee and Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage Montrose Inc. as the firm for the Employee Assistance Program as per the terms of the contract, effective 2003-07-01 to 2004-06-30.

**Carried unanimously  
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## **6.2 Transfer of Administrative Personnel:**

The Director General provided background information on the additional administrative transfers and noted that it is expected that the four vacant Vice-Principal positions will be filled at the 2003-07-08 meeting of the Executive Committee.

### **030618-HR-0190**

WHEREAS the resignation of the Principal of Genesis Elementary School has created a vacant position for the 2003-2004 school year;

WHEREAS the Policy #2000-HR-01: Regulating the Working Conditions of Management Staff Represented by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrator's Association permits the Director General, as per sub-section 2.3.3, to fill vacancies after 1 May annually;

Nazario Facchino MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board modify resolution #030423-HR-0131 by removing the name of Hélène Coupal; AND THAT **Jennifer Kurta** be named as Principal of Genesis Elementary School, effective 2003-07-01.

**Carried unanimously**

## **6.3 Retirement Dinner:**

In response to a request from Steve Kmec, the Chairman advised that a list of retirees would be provided to the Commissioners prior to the retirement dinner. He also noted that it is not always possible to have a Commissioner sit at each table due to the size of the event.

## **7.0 FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

### **7.1 2003-2004 Travel Rate:**

The Director of Financial Resources reviewed the proposed travel rate for the 2003-2004 school year noting that other boards pay between 0,31\$ and 0,41\$ per kilometre and that the Financial Resources Committee has recommended the status quo.

The Council entered into discussion.

### **030618-FR-0191**

Steve Kmec MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve a **travel rate of 0,36\$ / kilometre** for the 2003-2004 school year for all its employees.

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Natalie Auclair, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Edward Turchyniak

**NAY:** Nazario Facchino, Walter Fogel, James McDougall

**ABST:** Morten Schrier

## **7.2 2003-2004 Employee Computer Purchase Program**

The Director of Financial Resources noted that during the past year twenty persons have participated in the program and that the Financial Resources Committee recommends maintaining the program.

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In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director of Financial Resources advised that all participants in the program have paid for their computers in full.

Pierre Garofano recommended that point 6 in the conditions be removed and the Director of Financial Resources agreed that it was not necessary. This amendment was accepted by Morten Schrier.

### **030618-FR-0192**

WHEREAS the Directorate and the Financial Resources Committee recommend that a Computer Purchase Program for Full-Time Employees be renewed for the 2003-2004 school year;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board will advance to any employee a designated sum upon presentation of proof of purchase and the signing of a contract for repayment, as per document #SWLSB-2003/06/18-FR-001;

WHEREAS the employee agrees to reimburse the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board the advance sum plus interest calculated at 5% on the declining balance;

Morten Schrier MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Financial Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners approve the renewal of the Computer Purchase Program for Full-Time Employees as per the conditions set out in document #SWLSB-2003/06/18-FR-001.

**Carried unanimously**

## **8.0 TRANSPORTATION**

### **8.1 School Hours 2003-2004:**

The Deputy Director General reviewed the starting times for schools for the 2003-2004 school year noting those that had changed.

### **030618-TS-0193**

James McDougall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Committee on the Use of Schools and Other Facilities, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the school hours for 2003-2004 as indicated below.

#### **SCHOOLS**

#### **SCHOOL HOURS**

Arundel Elementary	8:11 - 14:17
Crestview Elementary	9:17 - 15:30
Genesis Elementary	9:17 - 15:40
Grenville Elementary	8:33 - 14:45
Hillcrest Academy	9:12 - 15:15
Holy Rosary Elementary	8:00 - 14:15
John F. Kennedy Elementary	7:50 - 14:10
Joliette Elementary	9:00 - 15:27
Jules Verne Elementary	9:15 - 15:30
Laurentia Elementary	8:55 - 15:11
Laurentian Elementary	8:45 - 15:01
Lewis King Elementary	7:45 - 14:02
McCaig Elementary	9:05 - 15:22
Morin Heights Elementary	8:40 - 15:05

Mountainview Elementary	8:55 - 15:13
Our Lady of Peace Elementary	8:00 - 14:15
Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary	9:15 - 15:30
Rawdon Elementary	8:15 - 14:20
Rawdon Middle School	8:10 - 14:20
Souvenir Elementary	8:30 - 14:45

St-Paul Elementary	9:05 - 15:37
Ste-Adele Elementary	8:33 - 14:48
Ste-Agathe Academy (Elementary)	9:10 - 15:57
Terry Fox Elementary	8:00 - 14:10
Twin Oaks Elementary	9:12 - 15:30
Joliette High School	9:02 - 15:40
Lake of Two Mountains High School	7:48 - 14:10
Laurentian Regional High School	8:50 - 15:20
Laval Catholic High School	8:35 - 15:06
Phoenix	8:30 - 15:30
Rosemere High School	7:50 - 14:10
Sacred Heart Middle School	7:40 - 14:02
Ste-Agathe Academy (Secondary)	9:20 - 15:57
Western Laval High School	8:30 - 15:19

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

<b>YEA:</b>	<b>Natalie Auclair, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Edward Turchyniak</b>
<b>NAY:</b>	<b>Walter Fogel</b>
<b>ABST:</b>	<b>Morten Schrier</b>

## **9.0 MATERIAL RESOURCES**

### **9.1 *Engagement of Architect – New School in Repentigny:***

The Director General presented the recommendations of the Selection Committee for the construction of the new school in Repentigny.

Carolyn Curiale and Linda Gagnon left the meeting.

**TIME: 21:44 hours**

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director General commented that although the school board will be using a modified design for the new school in Repentigny the Ministère de l'Éducation requires that the architects and engineers be compensated as if it were a new design.

Carolyn Curiale returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 21:45 hours**

Linda Gagnon returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 21:46 hours**

In response to questions from Walter Fogel, the Deputy Director General advised that all the tenders received conformed to the specifications and regulations.

## **030618-MR-0194**

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has resolved to undertake the construction of a new elementary school in Repentigny;

WHEREAS public tenders were called for architect services;

WHEREAS a selection committee has studied and evaluated all architectural tenders received and prepared a recommendation;

James McDougall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board retain the services of **Yvon Marchand**, Architect, to prepare the architectural specifications, drawings, and tendering documentation for the new "Repentigny" Elementary School construction project at the cost of 108 998\$, taxes included.

## THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Natalie Auclair, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Walter Fogel

### 9.2 *Engagement of Engineers – New School in Repentigny:*

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director of Material Resources noted that both engineering companies had been previously used by the board and that the results were satisfactory.

#### 030618-MR-0195

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has resolved to undertake the construction of a new elementary school in Repentigny;

WHEREAS public tenders were called for consulting mechanical and electrical engineering services;

WHEREAS a selection committee has studied and evaluated all consulting engineer tenders received and prepared a recommendation;

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board retain the services of **Leroux, Beaudoin, Hurens** consulting mechanical and electrical engineers, to prepare the mechanical and electrical engineering specifications, drawings, and tendering documentation for the new "Repentigny" Elementary School construction project at the cost of 58 321\$, taxes included.

## THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Natalie Auclair, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

ABST: Walter Fogel

#### 030618-MR-0196

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has resolved to undertake the construction of a new elementary school in Repentigny;

WHEREAS public tenders were called for consulting civil and structural engineering services;

WHEREAS a selection committee has studied and evaluated all consulting engineer tenders received and prepared a recommendation;

Pierre Garofano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board retain the services of **CLA Experts Conseils**, consulting civil and structural engineers, to prepare the civil and structural engineering specifications, drawings, and tendering documentation for the new "Repentigny" Elementary School construction project at the cost of 49 415\$, taxes included.

## THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:

YEA: Natalie Auclair, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

**9.3 Summer Capital Projects:**

The Director General reviewed the summer capital projects noting that priority had been given to projects concerning health and safety.

**030618-MR-0197**

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to satisfy priority needs in its schools;

WHEREAS the schools have expressed their needs;

WHEREAS the Directorate has reviewed the requests and classified these requests in order of board-wide priorities;

WHEREAS the Material Resources Committee supports these capital priorities

Linda Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved the summer capital priorities for its schools and centres for a total amount of 278 900\$, as per Document #SWLSB-2003/06/18-MR-001.

**Carried unanimously**

**9.4 Cafeteria Contract – High Schools:**

The Director General reviewed the tenders received for high school cafeteria services.

**030618-MR-0198**

WHEREAS the cafeteria contracts for Lake of Two Mountains High School, Laval Catholic High School, Rosemere High School, Sacred Heart Middle School and Western Laval High School expire on 2003-06-30;

WHEREAS tenders were received and opened on 2003-04-17;

WHEREAS the Material Resources Committee and the Directorate recommend that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

Mike Possian MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners award the contract for cafeteria services at Lake of Two Mountains High School, Laval Catholic High School, Rosemere High School, Sacred Heart Middle School and Western Laval High School to **Aramark Québec Inc.** for the 2003-2004, 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 school years.

AND THAT, as per the conditions of the contract, the opportunity to extend the contract for an additional year be explored.

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Natalie Auclair, Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

**NAY:** Walter Fogel

**9.5 2003-2004 Insurance:**

The Director General reviewed the tenders received for board insurance noting that the bid of the firm recommended is substantially lower than the other tender received.

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Peter MacLaurin left the meeting.

**TIME: 21:59 hours**

**030618-MR-0199**

WHEREAS the tenders for the annual insurance have been reviewed by the Material Resources Committee;

William Pollock MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Material Resources Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, pursuant to the analysis of the tenders, authorize the administration to enter into an insurance agreement for the 2003-2004 school year for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board's insurance needs with the firm **Lemieux, Ryan & Ass.** for a total premium of 62 674,00\$, excluding taxes.

AND THAT the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Vice-Chairman, as well as the Director General, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Deputy Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this purchase.

**THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:**

**YEA:** Steve Bletas, Carolyn Curiale, Nazario Facchino, Linda Gagnon, Pierre Garofano, Steve Kmec, Peter MacLaurin, James McDougall, Nick Milas, William Pollock, Morten Schrier, Edward Turchyniak

**ABST:** Walter Fogel

**9.6 Request to MEQ for Additional Student Places – Mascouche & Repentigny:**

The Director General commented on the resolutions concerning the need for new schools and additional space in various regions of the board.

Peter MacLaurin returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 22:01 hours**

The Director General advised that the request for additional space in the Mascouche/Repentigny area is to alleviate the over crowding situation.

He went on to note that even with a new school in Repentigny it is expected that enrolment will continue to increase in the lower Lanaudière region, therefore, making it necessary to have additional space at either Holy Rosary or Lewis King Elementary Schools.

He also noted that these requests should be submitted to the Ministère de l'Éducation for consideration for funding in the next school year no later than 2003-08-15.

**030618-MR-0200**

WHEREAS it is estimated that growth in the regions serving Holy Rosary Elementary School, Lewis King Elementary School and the new elementary school in Repentigny will continue to grow;

WHEREAS since the School Board first requested a new school in the Lanaudière region in 1998 student growth has occurred, in part, as a result of families moving to the area in search of affordable housing;

WHEREAS local indicators suggest that some families living in the Repentigny region and who are entitled to an English education have not exercised that right will now do so because of the proximity of the new school;

WHEREAS the School Board wishes to ensure that adequate space is provided for all its students present and future;

**0897**

WHEREAS the School Board estimates that, in order to ensure adequate space in all schools, there must be some space reserved for forecasted growth;

Natalie Auclair MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve a request to the Ministère de l'Éducation for two possible solutions:

1. Lewis King Elementary School be increased in size to 9 classes plus all required infrastructure to support those classes.
2. Purchase property adjacent to Holy Rosary Elementary School and build the required classrooms and supporting infrastructures increasing its present enrollment capacity from 299 to 450 students.

**Carried unanimously**

#### **9.7 Request to MEQ for a New School in Joliette:**

The Director General commented on the following proposed resolution noting that the location of the current school and its ever increasing student population make it necessary to request authorization from the Ministère de l'Éducation to build a new school in Joliette or the surrounding area.

#### **030618-MR-0201**

WHEREAS Joliette Elementary School originally housed five (5) classrooms and one multipurpose room;

WHEREAS five (5) permanent classrooms were added to the original structure;

WHEREAS six (6) additional modular classrooms plus two modular washrooms were added to meet the increased enrolment requirements;

WHEREAS the original building, five (5) permanent classrooms and eight (8) modular classrooms and washrooms occupy most of the available playground space destined for the students of the school;

WHEREAS Joliette Elementary School is located in an industrial park in close proximity to a large quarry;

WHEREAS large dump trucks constantly travel in front of the school to and from the quarry creating a serious safety hazard and a great deal of dust;

Linda Iaconetti MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve a request to the Ministère de l'Éducation for the construction of a new school and supporting infrastructures and that the new school be located in the Joliette region and in a location suitable for an elementary school.

**Carried unanimously**

#### **9.8 Request to MEQ for Additional Student Places at Ste-Agathe Academy:**

#### **030618-MR-0202**

WHEREAS Ste-Agathe Academy provides educational services for students ranging from kindergarten to secondary V;

WHEREAS enrolment at Ste-Agathe Academy has increased considerably over the past several years;

WHEREAS enrolment for 2002-2003 exceeds the capacity of the school;

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WHEREAS Ministère de l'Éducation demographics predict that enrolment will climb by approximately 5% for 2003-2004, 6% for 2004-2005, 4% for 2005-2006, 1% for 2006-2007 and 3% for 2007-2008;

WHEREAS a growing trend exists for families to relocate in the Laurentian region of which a portion will attend Ste-Agathe Academy and that this trend is not considered in the Ministère de l'Éducation forecasts;

WHEREAS the situation is critical given the small size of existing classrooms and lack of auxiliary services (washrooms);

WHEREAS four additional modular classrooms with auxiliary services would meet the short term needs;

WHEREAS the construction of four additional permanent classrooms with auxiliary services would meet the medium term needs;

Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve and prioritize a request to the Ministère de l'Éducation for:

1. The installation of four modular classrooms with auxiliary services to meet the short term needs of the school.
2. The construction of four additional permanent classrooms with auxiliary services to meet the medium term needs of the school;

**Carried unanimously**

#### **9.9 Request to MEQ for a New School in Laval:**

The Director General advised the Council that the need for space in Laval is multi-faceted and that short and long term solutions are being considered.

In response to a question from Walter Fogel, the Director General advised that the use of the "City of Laval" in the proposed resolution rather than "east end or west end of Laval" was used to leave the board's options open as the population trends in Laval tend to shift. The current need for a new school in Laval lies in the north-east end of the island but there is no guarantee that this is where the school will be required when the Ministère de l'Éducation gives authorization.

#### **030618-MR-0203**

WHEREAS in the fall of 2002 the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, in consultation with the school communities of the City of Laval, undertook a thorough review of educational programs and attendance zones of its elementary schools;

WHEREAS this consultation process resulted in the adoption of a resolution by the Council of Commissioners that works toward an equitable balance of educational programs for all students in Laval;

WHEREAS the consultation process also resulted in the adoption of balanced attendance zones respecting the proximity of each school and eliminating overlapping zones;

WHEREAS the redistribution of students in each school demonstrated that there is insufficient classroom space in the existing buildings;

WHEREAS Ministère de l'Éducation demographic projections demonstrate an increase in student population for the coming years;

**0899**

WHEREAS local indicators demonstrate a growing trend for young families to leave Montreal and relocate in the City of Laval and that a portion of these children will attend English schools and that this trend is not considered in the Ministère de l'Éducation forecasts;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners recognized the need for additional classroom space during the consultation process with the school communities and adopted in its resolution to seek, from Ministère de l'Éducation, additional classroom space in the City of Laval;

WHEREAS short term solutions could be met by:

1. Adding four (4) classrooms at Jules Verne Elementary School by finishing the basement and relocating the cafeteria, library and computer rooms in the basement. This would increase its enrolment capacity from 250 to 350 students.
2. Purchasing Genesis Elementary School which is presently owned by the Commission scolaire de Laval and increasing the number of classrooms from 12 to 16 and convert the multipurpose room to a gymnasium. This would increase its enrolment capacity from 275 to 375 students.

WHEREAS the long term solution would be met by the construction of a new elementary school in the City of Laval;

Nick Milas MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve a request to the Ministère de l'Éducation that would address the short term needs as outlined below:

1. Adding four (4) classrooms at Jules Verne Elementary School by finishing the basement and relocating the cafeteria, library and computer rooms in the basement. This would increase its enrolment capacity from 250 to 350 students.
2. Purchasing Genesis Elementary School which is presently owned by the Commission scolaire de Laval and increasing the number of classrooms from 12 to 16 and convert the multipurpose room to a gymnasium. This would increase its enrolment capacity from 275 to 375 students.

FURTHERMORE THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve a request to the Ministère de l'Éducation for the construction of a new elementary school in the City of Laval in order to provide a long term solution to the overcrowding its schools.

**Carried unanimously**

## **10.0 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

### **10.1 Purchases of Professional Services & Materials:**

The Deputy Director General provided background information on the following proposed resolution noting that this purchase would allow for teachers to work with students experiencing early literacy problems.

In response to a question from Linda Gagnon, the Director General noted that there is a special budget for the purchase of the services and materials.

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director General advised that the Ministère de l'Éducation does not provide funding for this program and that literacy is one of the goals laid out in the strategic plan.

**0900**

**030618-ED-0204**

WHEREAS an early intensive intervention program was introduced on an experimental basis in elementary schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board that offer French Immersion;

WHEREAS the goal of this intensive intervention program has been retained as part of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board's Strategic Plan;

WHEREAS it is deemed to be beneficial to extend this program to schools offering instruction in English;

Carolyn Curiale MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize the Director General to secure professional services and purchase the necessary teaching materials from Le Groupe Session inc. for an amount not exceeding 66 000\$, taxes excluded.

AND THAT an amount not exceeding 87 000\$, taxes excluded, be reserved for the engagement / assignment and training of the Coach.

**Carried unanimously**

**10.2 June 2002 Examination Results:**

The Chairman advised the Council that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has achieved excellent examination results for June 2002 – number one among the English school boards in Québec, the highest graduation rate in the Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière region and the lowest drop-out rate in the province.

He extended his appreciation to Dominic Martini, retired Director General; Laiq Hanafi, retired Director of Educational Services; and the Principals.

The Director General commented that these type of results reflect the good work of former and current administrators and that this is the first time an English school board has scored in the top half provincially, which is quite an achievement.

In response to a question from Steve Kmec, the Director General noted that the success rate of the board is used when recruiting new teachers.

**030618-ED-0205**

WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation has published the statistics of the June 2002 examination results;

WHEREAS these results demonstrate that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has improved its provincial standing to now hold the rank of 34 out of 72 school boards;

WHEREAS for the first time since the creation of linguistic school boards the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is the first English language school board to have a success rate higher than the provincial success average;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is ranked first among the ten school boards offering English services;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board ranks first in the Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière administrative region;

WHEREAS a number of school boards secondary schools are ranked in the first one hundred secondary schools of the province;

**0901**

Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate and Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board extend congratulations on these excellent results, AND THAT these results reflect most positively on the work and dedication and commitment carried out by the students, teaching staff and administration.

FURTHER THAT the school board convey this recognition by means of a letter addressed to each secondary school as well as members of the Directorate in office during the 2001-2002 school year.

**Carried unanimously**

## **11.0 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

### **11.1 Fibre Optic Partnership with C.S. Rivière-du-Nord :**

The Deputy Director General commented on the following proposed resolution noting that this will bring to a close the fibre optic partnership with the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord.

The Director General left the meeting.

**TIME: 22:20 hours**

He went on to note that this fibre optic project had come in under budget.

The Director General returned to the meeting.

**TIME: 22:22 hours**

## **030618-IT-0206**

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has authorized a partnership with the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord within the program "Villages branchés du Québec" for the addition of fibre links to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board Fibre Network, as per resolution 021023-IT-025;

WHEREAS the council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has accepted the preliminary analysis report presented by the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord involving a financial participation of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier not exceeding 146 700 \$ (taxes excluded), and authorized the "directeur du Service de l'informatique de la Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord" to prepare a tender for the construction of the described telecommunication network including six (6) sites of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, as per resolution 030226-IT-0103;

WHEREAS the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord has selected Bell as telecommunication company partner for the construction of its fibre network, AND that the cost to be assumed by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the construction of its specific portion of the network including the required networking components is established at 359 380 \$ (taxes excluded), when the authorized cost upon the preliminary analysis was established at 440 000\$ (taxes excluded);

WHEREAS tender results respect the requirements of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to service Laurentia Elementary School, Mountainview High School, Laurentian Regional High School, Laurentian Elementary School, Grenville Elementary School, and the Lachute Vocational Education Centre ;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is entitled to an allocation representing 66 2/3 % of the total cost under the program "Villages branchés du Québec", reducing the cost to be assumed by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to 118 590 \$ (taxes excluded), when the authorized associated cost upon the preliminary analysis was established at 146 700\$ (taxes excluded);



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**Robert Vallerand, Secretary General**

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**Steve Bletas, Chairman**