

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON MAY 21, 2014

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, May 21, 2014.

Present: Commissioners Nazario Facchino, Vice-Chairman; Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Guy Gagnon, Elio Lattanzio, Peter MacLaurin (via Skype), Steve Mitchell, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik and Edward Turchyniak; Parent Commissioners Roberto Bomba and Angela Martorana; and Stephanie Vucko, Director General.

Also present were: Eileen Kelly, Assistant Director General; Johanne Brabant, Secretary General; Gaëlle Absolonne, Director of School Organization; Robin Bennett, Director of Information Technology; France D'Aoust, Director of Financial Resources; Jérôme Dionne, Director of Material Resources; Frédéric Greschner, Director of Complementary Services; Richard Greschner, Director of Human Resources; Heather Halman, Director of Adult Education & Vocational Training; Tina Korb, Director of Educational Services; and Jocelyne Thompson-Ness, Administrative Assistant. Several other persons were also in the audience.

Absent with regret: Commissioners Nick Milas, Chairman; Steve Kmec, Emilio Migliozi, Albina Pace and William Pollock.

The Vice-Chairman called the meeting to order.

TIME: 19:40 hours

The Director General advised the Council that the Chairman sends his regrets for this evening.

The Vice-Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1.0 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

On a "point of order", Commissioner Mario Di Domenico reminded everyone that the by-laws of this Council state that the meetings begin at 19:30 hours and that this timeline should be respected for future meetings.

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Commissioner Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as presented in document #SWLSB-2014/05/21-CA-001.

Carried unanimously

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**CC-140521-CA-0109**

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED THAT the minutes of the REGULAR meeting of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2014-04-23 having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as written.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Guy Gagnon, Elio Lattanzio, Peter MacLaurin, Steve Mitchell, Grace Nesi, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola

3.0 QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

4.0 REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN:

4.1 *Chairman's Report:*

The Vice-Chairman reviewed the Chairman's report highlighting the meeting held with the senior students of the Laval high schools noting that it had gone very well as they were well prepared and had provided their questions prior to the meeting. There were concerns expressed over day-to-day issues but two of the main concerns were programs and rivalries (bullying). The students were assured that their concerns would be taken seriously.

The Director General reminded those present that the public consultation is available on the Web site and that the 27 questions brought to the table by the senior Laval high school students have also been posted along with the answers. The meeting with the students was exceptional as interesting conversation was anticipated but both she and the Chairman were impressed with the questions presented and the maturity of the students in attendance.

The Vice-Chairman also noted that CPNCA, upon the conclusion of its provincial tour, has met with the Labour Relations Advisory Committee (LRAC) to share the information gathered on the tour for the upcoming labour negotiations. Overall, the information gathered is in line with the orientations of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board that were expressed when CPNCA visited in April 2014.

Parent Commissioner Roberto Bomba entered the meeting.

TIME: 19:45 hours

4.2 *Director General's Report:*

The Director General presented her monthly report noting:

- Phase I of the Laval high schools is proceeding and preparations are being made for the respective moves of Laval Junior and Laurier Senior High Schools to their new locations;
- on June 3, 2014 the Vice-Chairman and the Assistant Director General will be meeting with the junior students from the Laval high schools, in a similar fashion to the meeting held with the senior students, to get their perspective on the reorganization of the Laval high schools;
- the allocation of the 2014-2015 Québec-Canada Entente monies that will be used for DISC Training for senior management, the continuation of the ASSET Team to lend support to schools for the implementation of changes, the continued funding of a Work Oriented Training Path (WOTP) resource person and MESA Support for the release of teachers to work on data-based MESA teams, to develop video capsules to document key elements of data based practices and to develop an "APP" that would bring together various development and reporting elements of the MESA; and
- a meeting with the Commission scolaire des Affluents (CSDA), the Ville de Repentigny and the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) where the focus remained on the Ville not wanting to cede land to the CSDA to build a new school and insisting that it build on the Franklin Hill Elementary School property. The Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board reiterated that it is not open to having an additional building on the property given that there are plans for the land that meet the MELS initiatives of healthy schools with a 3-phase program: Phase I - a soccer field and outdoor classroom, Phase II – landscaping, play modules and a walking path, and Phase III – landscaping and additional play modules. Issues such as the size and shape of the land, the size of school being sought by the CSDA and the increasing enrolment at Franklin Hill Elementary School were also part of the conversation. The MELS lent its support to this school board concerning the pressure being placed on this school board for an

issue that is not its concern. The Ministre de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport asked that the two Directors General meet to see if there might be an innovative project that would meet the needs of both school boards. The meeting took place and the ideas discussed were a bilingual - technological school and a bilingual – IBO school.

She noted that at this juncture, she requires direction from the Council as to whether or not discussions should be continued or closed.

The Council entered into discussion and the overall consensus was to end the conversation but only after the Director General, with the assistance of the Directors, addressed questions and concerns as follows:

- the Assistant Deputy Minister indicated at the meeting that any gesture with respect to Franklin Hill Elementary School would have to be of an incredible benefit for the English community for it to be even remotely considered;
- the Council had approved a resolution indicating it was not interested in what the Commission scolaire des Affluents and the Ville de Repentigny were proposing and asked that the pressure cease but letters from both Commission scolaire des Affluents and the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) proposed the notion of further discussion concerning innovation;
- the MELS could ask the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to rezone its schools in Mascouche, Repentigny and Joliette to use all available space before approving an enlargement project for Franklin Hill Elementary School, but this would only take place after the MELS has completed its own analysis of the situation; and
- there would be many things to be agreed to if any agreement were to come about.

The Director General continued her report noting:

- the posting of the Assistant Director General position;
- that students should be encouraged to sign up for the tutoring services offered on-line by LEARN;
- the Strategic Plan:
 - Success – the Mountainview Elementary School Homophobia project won them the Ruban Mauve Award from the Fondation Jasmin Roy making them the first English school to ever do so. Jasmin Roy, the founder of the Foundation, was very impressed with the project and has met with the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) to look into taking the project province wide. Fourteen schools in the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board have received training on standing up against homophobia; the Mother Teresa Junior High School production of GREASE showcased the natural talent we have in our schools;
 - Well-Being – Rawdon Elementary School had a visit from the Vehicube of La Fondation du Grand défi Pierre Lavoie, which promotes active living to elementary students; and the participation of Morin Heights Elementary School in the Arundel Nature & Science Centre (ANSC) loppet an event they train for over 6 weeks and allows them to work on competencies;
 - Leadership & Innovation – a grade 3 class at Our lady of Peace Elementary School researched, prepared and held its own career fair; the Rawdon Elementary School grade 6 transition day at Joliette High School; St-Vincent Elementary School's peer mentoring which prepared a literacy study guide for students by students with focus on bullying;
 - Innovation – Phase I of the hybrid-electric car project at the Administration Centre whereby the school board will lease 3 hybrid-electric vehicles with charging stations and offer free electric charges to employees with hybrid-electric cars for 3 years. Congratulations to the current and former Directors of Material Resources for this initiative; and
- LEARN has not made its tutoring services available to Adult Education because it is not part of its mandate. SOFAD provides these services for the adult sector.

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING**5.1 STL – Reimbursement of Bus Passes:****CC-140521-TS-0110**

WHEREAS the Appeals Review Committee met on 2014-04-14 regarding reimbursement procedures for transportation fees (monthly bus pass) associated with the Société de Transport de Laval (STL) for high school students in Laval;

WHEREAS, on the recommendation of the Appeals Review Committee, the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has reviewed its current practices in regards to transportation fees and procedures for high school students in Laval;

WHEREAS the Advisory Committee on Transportation, the Corporate Committee and the Executive Committee have also reviewed the school board's current practices in regards to transportation fees and procedures for high school students in Laval;

WHEREAS the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board recommends that the status quo be maintained for the reimbursement to parents of students who have a bus pass with the Société de transport de Laval (STL);

Commissioner Grace Nesi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve that the current reimbursement to parents for bus passes with the Société de Transport de Laval (STL) be maintained at 50% for Laval high school students, as per resolution #030708-TS-0035.

Carried unanimously

6.0 DECISION ITEMS:**6.1 COMMUNICATIONS & CORPORATE AFFAIRS****6.1.1 By-Law Day, Time & Place of Council Meetings 2014-2015:****CC-140521-CA-0111**

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolution #000126-CA-0130, adopting by-law #BL2000-CA-05: Date, 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 2014-2015 meeting dates for the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Executive 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 2014-06-25 meeting of the Council of Commissioners.

Carried unanimously

6.1.2 By-Law Day, Time & Place of Executive Committee Meetings 2014-2015:

CC-140521-CA-0112

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 2014-2015 meeting dates for the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Commissioner Robert Dixon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Executive 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 2014-06-25 meeting of the Council of Commissioners.

Carried unanimously

6.1.3 Amendments – Procedure – Corporate & Pedagogical Committees:

In response to a question from Commissioner Merle Parkinson, the Director General indicated that the time of the meetings of the Corporate and Pedagogical Committees are included in the procedure.

CC-140521-CA-0113

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolution #CC-130925-CA-0018, adopting procedure #P2013-CA-08: Corporate, Pedagogical & Statutory Committees;

WHEREAS it has become necessary to amend this procedure to bring it in line with the 2014-2015 meeting dates for the of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Commissioner Georges Benoit MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve in principle the amendments to procedure #P2013-CA-08: Corporate, Pedagogical & Statutory Committees.

Carried unanimously

6.1.4 Posting & Selection Committee – Alternate Ethics Commissioner:

The Secretary General advised the Council that the current Alternate Ethics Commissioner has resigned and must be replaced. Authorization to post the position and the establishment of a Selection Committee are required. Interviews will be held in accordance with a schedule established by the Selection Committee.

Commissioner Steve Bletas volunteered to be on the Selection Committee and met with no opposition.

Commissioner Merle Parkinson nominated Parent Commissioner Angela Martorana. Parent Commissioner Martorana accepted the nomination. There was no opposition.

Commissioners Elio Lattanzio and Mike Pizzola volunteered as alternates to the Selection Committee. There was no opposition.

CC-140521-CA-0114

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolution #CC-130123-CA-0112, engaging an alternate Ethics Commissioner;

WHEREAS the alternate Ethics Commissioner has resigned from the post effective May 4, 2014;

Commissioner Mario Di Domenico MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Secretary General to post the position of Alternate Ethics Commissioner.

AND THAT the Selection Committee be established as follows:

Commissioner #1:	Steve Bletas
Commissioner #2:	Angela Martorana
Commissioner Alternate #1:	Elio Lattanzio
Commissioner Alternate #2:	Mike Pizzola
	Secretary General
	Director of Human Resources

AND THAT this Selection Committee be mandated to select the candidates to be interviewed, proceed with the interviews and recommend a candidate to the position of Alternate Ethics Commissioner.

FURTHER THAT a recommendation be brought to the 2014-06-25 meeting of the Council of Commissioners.

Carried unanimously

6.2 MATERIAL RESOURCES

6.2.1 Engagement of Contractor – McCaig ES Paving Project:

In response to a question from Commissioner Guy Gagnon, the Director of Material Resources indicated that he would take note of combining projects in close proximity and of a similar nature the next time the need arises.

CC-140521-MR-0115

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-120627-MR-0188 approving the 2012-2013 capital priorities for its schools and centres which included the paving of the school yard at McCaig Elementary School;

WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) adopted Measure 50621 to assist school boards with the repair and maintenance of its buildings;

WHEREAS public tenders were called and subsequently opened on 2014-05-09;

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

WHEREAS the Director of Material Resources recommends that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

Commissioner Elio Lattanzio 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 school yard paving project at McCaig Elementary School to **Labelle et Frères Inc.**, for a total cost of 172 683,40\$, before taxes, (198 542,74\$, all taxes included).

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

Carried unanimously

On a “point of order”, Commissioner Peter MacLaurin indicated that he was not acknowledged when he volunteered for the Selection Committee for the Alternate Ethics Commissioner.

The Vice-Chairman apologized for this oversight.

6.2.2 Engagement of Contractor – Rosemere HS Paving Project:

In response to questions concerning the paving projects, the Director of Material Resources noted:

- the asphalt in the school yard at Rosemere High School only needs repaving in certain areas and that is why the cost is lower than the paving project for McCaig Elementary School;
- the plans and specifications for the paving projects at McCaig Elementary School and Rosemere High School were completed prior to him taking the position of Director of Material Resources. He would consider combining like projects in the future; and
- third party testing is done for asphalt quality by an independent company.

CC-140521-MR-0116

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-120627-MR-0188 approving the 2012-2013 capital priorities for its schools and centres which included the paving of the school yard at Rosemere High School;

WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) has adopted Measure 50621 to assist school boards with the repair and maintenance of its buildings;

WHEREAS public tenders were called and subsequently opened on 2014-05-09;

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

WHEREAS the Director of Material Resources recommends that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

Commissioner Merle Parkinson 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 school yard paving project at Rosemere High School to **Pavage JD Inc.**, for a total cost of 162 164,93 \$, before taxes, (186 449,12 \$, all taxes included).

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

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Guy Gagnon, Elio Lattanzio, Peter MacLaurin, Steve Mitchell, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Edward Turchyniak

6.2.3 Portables – Twin Oaks ES:

In response to questions concerning the tender for the portables for Twin Oaks Elementary School, the Director of Material Resources noted:

- no control over how many people submit bids on a project;
- the school board has previously engaged the company who bid on the contract and, to his knowledge, have been pleased with the consistent service received. He contacted other school board and they also indicated that the company is fair and not overpriced;
- the information on the Web indicated that five (5) companies had purchased the documents and specifications and if these documents were distributed or shared with other companies for bidding purposes it is out of the control of the school board; and
- the portables are partially paid by the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS).

CC-140521-MR-0117

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-120627-MR-0191 awarding the contract for the rental of two portable classrooms for Twin Oaks Elementary School to AMB Tresec Inc., for a total cost of 155 000,00\$, before taxes, (178 211,25\$, all taxes included);

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is facing overcrowding problems at Twin Oaks Elementary School;

WHEREAS it will be necessary to remove the two current portable classrooms and to erect six new portable classrooms at Twin Oaks Elementary School;

WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) has authorized the rental of the portables in an e-mail dated 2014-03-25;

WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS), upon application, will provide an allocation to cover the cost of the portables;

WHEREAS public tenders were called and subsequently opened on 2014-05-12;

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

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 award the contract for the rental of six portable classrooms for Twin Oaks Elementary School to **AMB Tresec Inc.**, for a total cost of 413 800,00\$, before taxes, (475 766,55\$, all taxes included).

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 Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this rental.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Guy Gagnon, Elio Lattanzio, Peter MacLaurin, Steve Mitchell, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Mario Di Domenico

6.2.4 Change Orders – Auditorium & Washroom Project – 2323 Daniel-Johnson:

CC-140521-MR-0118

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-130424-MR-0144, awarding the contract for the renovation of the auditorium and washrooms at 2323 Daniel-Johnson to Construction Genfor Ltée, for a total cost of 1 182 000,00\$, before taxes, (1 359 004,50\$, all taxes included).

WHEREAS, during the renovation of the auditorium and washrooms, change orders occurred to address specific issues, amounting to 72 182,54\$, before taxes (82 991,88\$, taxes included);

Commissioner Steve Bletas MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the change orders in the amount of 72 182,54\$, before taxes (82 991,88\$, taxes included).

AND THAT the total cost of the project, including the change orders, be increased to 1 254 182,54\$, before taxes, (1 441 996,38\$, taxes included).

FURTHER THAT, the Chairman, and in his absence or with his knowledge the Vice-Chairman, as well as the Director General, and in her absence or with her knowledge the Assistant Director General, be authorized to sign all documentation concerning these change orders.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Guy Gagnon, Elio Lattanzio, Peter MacLaurin, Grace Nesi, Merle Parkinson, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners voting NAY:	Steve Mitchell

6.2.5 Selection of Professionals – Twin Oaks ES Enlargement Project:

CC-140521-MR-0119

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-130626-MR-0195, approving the 2013-2018 Five-Year Investment Plan;

WHEREAS the only priority of the 2013-2018 Five-Year Investment Plan was the financing from the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) in 2013-2014 for the enlargement of Twin Oaks Elementary School, building #885-174, by adding space to reach the optimum capacity of a 7-23-1 (671 students);

WHEREAS the authorization from the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) is pending;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to have its timeline in place so that the project can begin upon receipt of the said authorization;

WHEREAS elements of this timeline are the selection of professionals and the creation of a Selection Committee;

WHEREAS a public tender for the engagement of professionals is being prepared and proposals will be received on 2014-06-09;

WHEREAS, in order to respect the confidentiality and ethical principles of the selection process, it is preferable that the nomination of the members listed below be done in conformity with the Delegation of Functions and Powers of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the proposals have to be reviewed by a Selection Committee composed of a secretary and at least three members;

Commissioner Mike Pizzola MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve that the Selection Committee for the selection of professionals for the enlargement of Twin Oaks Elementary School be composed of the following members:

2	Members of the Material Resources Department
1	Member from the Directorate
1	Member from the Material Resources department acting as Secretary of the committee
1	External member
2	Members of the Council of Commissioners to be named "in camera"
1	Alternate Member of the Council of Commissioners to be named "in camera"

AND THAT all the Selection Committee members will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement.

Carried unanimously

6.2.6 Selection Committee – Twin Oaks ES Enlargement Project:

The Director of Material Resources provided background information on the reasoning behind having an "in camera" session noting that it is in order to comply with the Act respecting contracting by public bodies and that as the Compliance Monitor for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board it is his responsibility to see that the procedures laid out in this law are respected and this includes the integrity of the process and of the Selection Committee. A Confidentiality Agreement will be signed by all members of the Selection Committee.

CC-140521-MR-0120

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-140521-MR-0119, approving the composition of the Selection Committee for the selection of professionals for the enlargement of Twin Oaks Elementary School;

WHEREAS resolution #CC-140521-MR-0119 stipulates that the two Commissioners representatives for the Selection Committee are to be named "in camera" in order to ensure the integrity of the internal process and so that members of the Selection Committee cannot be solicited by potential tenderers;

Commissioner Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board go "in camera" for the naming of two Commissioners and one alternate Commissioner to the Selection Committee for the selection of professionals for the enlargement of Twin Oaks Elementary School.

Carried unanimously

The Council went "in camera".

TIME: 20:37 hours

The meeting resumed.

TIME: 20:47 hours

CC-140521-MR-0121

Commissioner Edward Turchyniak MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board name the following two (2) Commissioners and one (1) alternate Commissioner to the Selection Committee for the selection of professionals for the enlargement of Twin Oaks Elementary School:

Commissioner #1: Guy Gagnon
 Commissioner #2: Elio Lattanzio
 Alternate: Roberto Bomba

Carried unanimously

6.2.7 Innovative Partnership – Franklin Hill ES:

This was discussed under item 4.0.

The Council entered into an extensive discussion and there were diverging opinions as to whether or not it would be beneficial for the Directors General of this school board and Commission scolaire des Affluents to meet to discuss innovative possibilities for the two school communities.

CC-140521-CA-0122

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approved resolutions #CC-140226-CA-0077 and CC-1204-23-CA-0100, both of which clearly state that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board will not consider cession or exchange of Franklin Hill Elementary School with Commission scolaire des Affluents;

WHEREAS a meeting was held with the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, the Commission scolaire des Affluents and the Ville de Repentigny regarding Franklin Hill Elementary School;

WHEREAS in light of the discussion that took place, the Directors General of the two school boards agreed to meet to consider an innovative partnership that would meet the needs of both school boards;

WHEREAS such an innovative partnership would not compromise current services to students of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS an innovative partnership would be in the best interests of all students;

WHEREAS such an innovative partnership would have to be considered by the Council of Commissioners before moving ahead;

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Director General to explore the possibilities of an innovative partnership with the Commission scolaire des Affluents for the Franklin Hill Elementary School.

THIS MOTION WAS DEFEATED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Guy Gagnon, Peter MacLaurin, Steve Mitchell, Merle Parkinson
Commissioners voting NAY:	Georges Benoit, Steve Bletas, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Nazario Facchino, Elio Lattanzio, Grace Nesi, Mike Pizzola, Nancy Rupnik, Edward Turchyniak

6.3 HUMAN RESOURCES

6.3.1 2014-2015 Organizational Chart for Management:

The Vice-Chairman invited the Director General to present the 2014-2015 Organizational Chart for Management.

WHEREAS the Directorate has reviewed the Organizational Chart for Management of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2014-2015 school year;

Commissioner Merle Parkinson MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Directorate, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize for consultation the proposed 2014-2015 Organizational Chart for Management, as per document #SWLSB-2014/05/21-HR-001.

AND THAT in conformity with the management policies of the school board the Council of Commissioners approve a 30-day consultation period beginning on 2014-05-22 and ending on 2014-06-20 with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators Association (SWLAA) and the Association des cadres scolaires du Québec – SWL Chapter (ACSQ).

The Vice-Chairman left the meeting.

TIME: 20:54 hours

The Director General presented the 2014-2015 Organizational Chart for Management and provided background information as follows:

- the guiding orientations for the recommended changes are financial, service and growth;
- budget compressions for 2014-2015 have been confirmed but the school board wishes to be fiscally responsible without impacting the schools;
- looking at what the system requires to continue to grow and to provide the best education possible for its students and a stable support system for its employees which will require using resources available in a different manner;
- the restructuring laid out in the proposed chart was also based on information derived from the one-on-one career meetings with Administrators as they felt that there is not enough Senior Management presence in the schools given the size of the territory and the increased demands of parents;
- the addition of an Assistant Director General would allow for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to be more visible at various tables where funding is given out, something that this school board has missed out on several occasions because there has not been a Senior Management person present;
- the ACSQ (Association des cadres scolaires du Québec) and the SWLAA (Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators Association) will be consulted on this chart;
- succession planning;

The Vice-Chairman returned to the meeting.

TIME: 21:00 hours

- there has not been much growth in the Vocational Training sector over the past few years so it brings into question the need for the service;
- the abolition of Adult Education & Vocational Training would result in the redistribution of tasks to one of the Assistant Directors General and the Centre Directors;
- positions remaining vacant after the chart was approved in 2013-2014 are being abolished which helps the budget;
- enrollment appears to be declining but the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) predictions indicate that 2014-2015 will be the last year of the decline and growth will begin again for this school board; and

Commissioner Grace Nesi left the meeting.

TIME: 21:17 hours

- the Director General does oversee the Principals and Vice-Principals under the law but does have the authority to delegate this responsibility to the Assistant Director General or a Director.

The Council entered into discussion and noted the following in response to the proposed 2014-2015 Organizational Chart for Management:

- understands that Senior Management needs to be present at the decision making tables but this does not require an additional Assistant Director General post;
- there was a procedural problem with the process prior to the presentation of this chart;

- there has been no time to evaluate the changes being proposed in an efficient manner;
- Commissioners were not consulted on changes that could have an impact on the schools or centres they represent;
- the chart should be tabled for further review and discussion by the Council before being moved to consultation; and
- special dispensation is required to appoint more than one Assistant Director General.

Commissioner Grace Nesi returned to the meeting.

TIME: 21:20 hours

The Director General advised the Council that it is their prerogative to table the chart for further discussion but noted no dispensation is required from the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS) for an addition Assistant Director General. All management positions are funded out of operational costs.

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Commissioner Guy Gagnon **MOVED THAT** the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board table the 2014-2015 Organizational Chart for Management to a Council caucus to be held on June 9, 2014.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Steve Bletas, Mario Di Domenico, Robert Dixon, Guy Gagnon, Elio Lattanzio, Peter MacLaurin, Steve Mitchell, Grace Nesi, Mike Pizzola, Edward Turchyniak
Commissioners voting NAY:	Merle Parkinson, Nancy Rupnik
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Georges Benoit, Nazario Facchino

7.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 SWL Foundation:

Commissioner Edward Turchyniak reminded the Council that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation's Lobster gala is being held on Thursday, June 12, 2014 at the Embassy Plaza and encouraged everyone to attend. Tickets can be obtained from the Communications department.

7.2 Parent Commissioners Report:

The report of the Parent Commissioners highlighted the following:

- the need for more communications concerning Phase I of the Laval high schools;
- information on the Public Consultation meetings can be found on the school board's Web site;
- the Parents Committee Outstanding Effort Award will be presented again this year;
- the upcoming school elections in November 2014;
- the planning of a SEAC Conference for the 2014-2015 school year;
- assistance to parents to better understand IEPs (Individual; Education Plans);
- the consultation on Phase II of the reorganization of the Laval high schools;
- reports from the school board, the treasurer, RCP-3L, EPCA;
- catering contracts in the elementary schools; and
- the school board's position on French Immersion in Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board schools.

7.3 Report of the QESBA:

The Vice-Chairman noted that the next meeting of the Quebec School Boards Association (QESBA) Board of Directors is tomorrow and that a report will be provided at the next regular meeting of Council.

7.4 Update on Laval Schools:

The Assistant Director General advised that everything with the impending move for the Laval high schools is going well and that the school move will take place from June 16 – 20, 2014. The administration office moves will take place in the first week of July.

7.5 Commissioners Budget:

The Vice-Chairman drew attention to the Commissioner budget update contained in the package.

8.0 QUESTION PERIOD:

There were no questions.

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE:

The Vice-Chairman drew attention to correspondence in the package.

10.0 VARIA:

Commissioner Steve Mitchell commented that parents do not need to “apply” for homeschooling and our correspondence to these families should not say that.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Commissioner Steve Bletas MOVED adjournment of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 21:34 hours

NEXT MEETING ⇨ REGULAR ⇨ 2014-06-25