



## Council Highlights May 27, 2020

The Council adopted the following resolutions:

GRICS Annual Invoice  
CC-200527-IT-0105

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses GRICS (Société de gestion du réseau informatique des commissions scolaires) softwares for the management of its administrative and pedagogical information systems;

WHEREAS GRICS invoices the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board on an annual basis for those software licenses and related support services;

WHEREAS the estimated amount of the 2020-2021 GRICS invoice is \$506,421.98 before taxes;

Commissioner Bob Pellerin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of the 2020-2021 school year invoice from **GRICS** (Société de gestion du réseau informatique des commissions scolaires) for an amount of \$506,421.98 before taxes or \$541,267.66 net taxes;

AND THAT the Director General or, in her absence, the Assistant Director General be authorized to pay the final invoice to be received in the month of July 2020;

FURTHER THAT should the invoice exceed the estimated amount, the Director General or, in her absence, the Assistant Director General be granted authorization to pay an additional 10% of the estimated amount.

**Carried unanimously**

Microsoft Licenses  
CC-200527-IT-0106

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board (SWLSB) uses Microsoft Corporation products and services for the majority of its information technology infrastructure;

WHEREAS the SWLSB pays annual educational license fees to the Microsoft Corporation for the right to use its products and services;

WHEREAS these license fees cover the SWLSB's workstations, laptops, servers, storage, email, office productivity software, identity management, security, systems management, databases and cloud based solutions;

WHEREAS the current contract with Microsoft Corporation concludes on May 31, 2020;

WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) has mandated Collecto to conduct a public tender for all school boards to acquire the best overall scenario and price structure;

WHEREAS Collecto has completed a public tender (SAR325-2019) and Softchoice LP has been selected to manage the Microsoft Corporation license dossier;

WHEREAS Collecto has exercised its option to extend the contract for an additional year (second year) covering the 2020-2021 school year;

WHEREAS Softchoice LP has invoiced the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2020-2021 school year;

Commissioner Emilio Migliozi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of the 2020-2021 Microsoft license fees to Softchoice LP in the amount of \$107,442.08 before taxes or \$114,834.91 net taxes;

AND THAT the Director General or, in her absence, the Assistant Director General be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this agreement.

**Carried unanimously**

Engagement of Supplier

WHEREAS the schools and centres of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board purchase approximately \$120,000.00 of office supplies annually;

Acquisition of Office Supplies

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board needs to ensure that it is getting fair market value when purchasing office supplies;

**CC-200527-MR-0107**

WHEREAS public tenders for the purchase of goods were called and opened on May 7, 2020;

WHEREAS tender specifications are submitted for the next three consecutive school years;

WHEREAS the tendering specifications required the suppliers to complete a grid containing the top 128 items ordered annually;

WHEREAS the tender specifications also called for an additional rebate on items not included in the top 128 list;

WHEREAS the Director of Material Resources and Transportation has reviewed the tenders received and recommends that the contract be awarded to the lowest conformable bidder;

Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize the Director of Material Resources and Transportation to engage Grand & Toy Limitée as its authorized supplier for the purchasing of office supplies for its schools and centres;

AND THAT the Director of Material Resources and Transportation be authorized to sign purchase orders for Grand & Toy Limitée for up to \$120,000 annually for the school years 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

**Carried unanimously**

Engagement of Supplier

WHEREAS the contract with the purchasing group C.A.R.L.L.L. (Comité d'achat regroupé Laval, Laurentides, Lanaudière) for the acquisition of school furniture has ended December 31, 2019;

Acquisition of Furniture

WHEREAS public tenders for the purchase of school furniture were called and opened on May 7, 2020;

**CC-200527-MR-0108**

WHEREAS the contract will be attributed by lots to attain the most competitive annual pricing for a period of thirteen (13) months with one (1) option of renewal for an additional year;

WHEREAS the total combined cost of the fifteen lots amounts to \$124, 445.44 before taxes or \$133,015.69 net taxes, per year;

WHEREAS the conformability of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Vicky Kalitziakos MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage the below mentioned providers as its authorized suppliers, by lot, for a period of thirteen (13) months with one (1) option of renewal for an additional year, up to the yearly amounts mentioned below:

Lot #	Supplier with lowest conform bid	Amount before taxes	Net taxes
1	Mobilier métallique	ESPACE PAPIER INC (HAMSTER +)	7 845,00\$ 8 385,27\$
2	Rangement	ALPHA-TABCO INC.	24 062,50\$ 25 179,62\$
3	Chaises d'élèves	ALPHA VICO	12 075,00\$ 12 906,58\$
4	Tables de classes avec pattes à hauteur ajustables	ALPHA VICO	9 735,00\$ 10 405,43\$
5	Tables de cafétéria	ALPHA-TABCO INC.	28 000,00\$ 29 928,29\$
6	Pupitres d'élèves	ALPHA VICO	14 000,00\$ 14 964,15\$
7	Mobilier administratif	NOVEXCO INC.	10 173,86\$ 10 874,51\$
8	Matelas de relaxation	BRAULT & BOUTHILLIER	1 951,60\$ 2 086,00\$
9	Ensemble de coussins carrés	-	-
10	Pupitre à hauteur variable 29" à 46"	BRAULT & BOUTHILLIER	2 302,10\$ 2 460,64\$
11	Tabouret oscillant	BRAULT & BOUTHILLIER	1 917,60\$ 2 049,66\$
12	Ballon avec pattes sit'n'gym	BRAULT & BOUTHILLIER	121,38\$ 129,74\$
13	Coussin disco'sit	BRAULT & BOUTHILLIER	527,40\$ 563,72\$
14	Petit ensemble de cuisine en bois	BRAULT & BOUTHILLIER	8 735,25\$ 9 336,82\$
15	Coussin beanbag	KIT PLANÈTE	2 998,75\$ 3 205,27\$

AND THAT the Director of Material Resources and Transportation be authorized to sign all purchase orders concerning the acquisition of school furniture for up to \$124,445.44, before taxes, annually for the school years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources and Transportation be authorized to sign purchase orders starting June 1, 2020 in preparation for the upcoming school year;

**Carried unanimously**

Engagement of Principal  
Ste-Adele ES

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners adopted resolution # CC-200429-HR-0089, approving the assignment of the Principals, Vice-Principals and Centre Directors for the 2020-2021 school year;

**CC-200527-HR-0109**

WHEREAS the position of Principal at Ste-Adèle Elementary School is currently vacant;

WHEREAS the position was posted and a Selection Committee was held on May 25, 2020;

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage Peter Clark, as Principal at Ste-Adèle Elementary School, effective July 1, 2020;

AND THAT the following modification be made to the aforementioned resolution:

SCHOOL	PRINCIPALS	VICE-PRINCIPAL
Ste-Adèle	Peter Clark	

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Principal  
Mountainview HS

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners adopted resolution # CC-200429-HR-0089, approving the assignment of the Principals, Vice-Principals and Centre Directors for the 2020-2021 school year;

CC-200527-HR-0110

WHEREAS the position of Principal at Mountainview High School is currently vacant;

WHEREAS the position was posted and a Selection Committee was held on May 25, 2020;

Commissioner Melissa Wall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Selection Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage Jenny Svetec, as Principal at Mountainview High School, effective July 1, 2020;

AND THAT the following modification be made to the aforementioned resolution:

SCHOOL	PRINCIPALS	VICE-PRINCIPAL
Mountainview High School	Jenny Svetec	

Carried unanimously

Intervention to Obtain an  
Exemption from Bill 40

WHEREAS the National Assembly introduced a bill to reform the province's public education system entitled *An Act to amend mainly the Education Act with regard to school organization and governance* ("Bill 40") on October 1, 2019;

CC-200527-CA-0111

WHEREAS the English-speaking community in Quebec has expressed grave concerns with the effects of Bill 40 on the English-language minority's power of management and control protected by section 23 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*;

WHEREAS the National Assembly gave assent to Bill 40 on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020;

WHEREAS Bill 40 provides for the election of the members of the boards of directors of the new English-language school service centres on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020;

WHEREAS the Quebec English School Boards Association ("QESBA") launched a constitutional challenge to Bill 40 on May 15, 2020 filed jointly with Lester B. Pearson School Board and Mr. Adam Gordon, as co-applicants;

WHEREAS, until a judgment on the merits is rendered, the application of Bill 40 will have significant harmful effects on section 23 rights holders' management and control;

WHEREAS the QESBA and its co-applicants have also applied for an exemption for all English-language school boards from Bill 40 until a final judgment on its constitutionality is rendered;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to be exempt from Bill 40 before a final judgment on its constitutionality is rendered;

Commissioner Vicky Kaliotzakis MOVED THAT the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board expresses its full support for the Quebec English School Boards Association ("QESBA") and its co-applicants' challenge to Bill 40's constitutionality;

AND THAT the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board also expresses its full support for QESBA and its co-applicants' application to obtain an exemption from Bill 40 for all English-language school boards in Quebec before a final judgment on its constitutionality;

AND THAT the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to benefit from any exemption from Bill 40 granted by the courts in order to protect the power of management and control for section 23 rights holders residing in its territory before a judgment on Bill 40's constitutionality is rendered;

FURTHER THAT the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board shall mandate external lawyers to file a declaration of intervention in order to become a co-applicant in the constitutional challenge to Bill 40 and benefit from any exemption granted by the court from Bill 40 before a final judgment on its constitutionality is rendered.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners & Parent Commissioners voting YEA:	Anick Brunet, James Di Sano, Paolo Galati, Stéphane Henley, Vicky Kaliotzakis, Peter MacLaurin, Emilio Migliozi, Bob Pellerin, Melissa Wall
Commissioners & Parent Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Tara Anderson, Anthony Beliotis