

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD HELD ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2016**

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, September 28, 2016 at 19:30 hours, at which were present:

Present: Jennifer Maccarone, Chair; Commissioner Dean Dugas, Vice-Chair; Commissioners Robert Dixon, Guy Gagnon, Paolo Galati, Vicky Kaliozakis, Peter MacLaurin, Anne McMullon, Emilio Migliozi (via telephone), Ailsa Pehi and Parent Commissioners Pamala Cripton, Sergio Di Marco and Angela Martorana; and Paul Lamoureux, Director General.

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

Absent: Tina Korb, Director of Educational Services

The Chair opened the meeting.

TIME: 19:19 hours

0.0 PRESENTATION & RECOGNITION:

The Chair welcomed students and parents to the unveiling of the 2016-2017 wall mural noting that there were hundreds of drawings received for the calendar contest of which 39 were selected for the wall mural of which 12 were finalists for the wall calendar. She thanked all of the students who took the time to submit a drawing to the contest.

The Director General commented that it was a great pleasure to be able to honour all the students involved in creating the impressive wall mural at his first meeting of Council.

The Chair and the Director General called each student forward and then the wall mural was unveiled.

The Chair called the meeting to order.

TIME: 19:37 hours

1.0 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:**CC-160928-CA-0001**

Commissioner Anne McMullon MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as amended in document #SWLSB-2016/09/28-CA-001.

Carried unanimously

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

CC-160928-CA-0002

Commissioner Paolo Galati MOVED THAT the minutes of the REGULAR meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2016-06-29 having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as presented.

THIS MOTION WAS CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING DIVISION:	
Commissioners voting YEA:	Robert Dixon, Dean Dugas, Guy Gagnon, Vicky Kalitziakis, Peter MacLaurin, Anne McMullon, Emilio Migliozi, Ailsa Pehi
Commissioners ABSTAINING:	Paolo Galati

3.0 QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions

4.0 REPORTS FROM THE CHAIR & DG

4.1 *Chair Report:*

The Chair presented her monthly report highlighting school perseverance, back to school bus safety “Fais-moi de la place”, and an upcoming public consultation on educational success to receive public feedback on what can be done to improve graduation rates in Québec.

She provided a brief overview of Bill 105 noting that one of the positive aspects of this bill is that the Parent commissioners would receive the right to vote.

4.2 *Director General's Report:*

The Director General provided an overview of his monthly report noting that it is always important to celebrate student and staff success for initiatives taken to make learning more positive, e.g. the buddy bench where a student who is feeling lonely or bullied can go and talk with someone. He also drew attention to a list of talking points for taxation that will help Commissioners answer any questions received on that topic.

In response to questions concerning the declining enrollment at the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, the Director General noted:

- the school board needs to analyze why students are leaving the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board after elementary school;
- it is assumed that some leave to go to private school or French school, where no interboard agreement is required. The most significant group are those families that request an interboard agreement to attend an English public school in Montréal;
- the process for granting interboard agreements needs to be reviewed.

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING

5.1 *Multi-Service Centre – Additional Funding:*

The Director General provided follow-up information from the Corporate Committee concerning the Multi Service Centre noting:

- a meeting was held with the Commission scolaire de la Seigneurie-des-Mille-Îles (CSSMI) with respect to the partnership agreement to discuss various concerns and an agreement in principle was made to amend the Partnership Agreement to take into consideration:
 - dossiers such as International Students;
 - a deficit in any given year will be absorbed by the centre;
 - all advertising must be bilingual;
 - equal and equitable representation when recruiting employees;
 - the Comité de suivi will oversee the operations of the centre and will be comprised of two representatives from each school board. For this schoolboard the representatives are the Assistant Director General and the Centre Director for Pont-Viau, while for CSSMI it is the Director of Adult Education & Vocational Training and the Centre Director for Vocational Training;
 - having Commissioner representation on the Comité de suivi can be brought to the comité for consideration;
- a big concern for this school board is maintaining adequate ETPs in order to meet the financial commitments such as this school board's costs for the operation of the center, interest, amortization etc.;
- a benefit for the English community is that the CSSMI has five programs it will offer bilingually;
- the Multi Service Centre will be able to grow if the programs applied for are granted by the Ministère;
- an Audit Committee will be established to audit registration, operations and all financial aspects in order to ensure conformity and equity between the partners;
- this partnership is very valuable to both school boards and their respective communities but as a minority school board ensuring a presence and the right to take a course in English is vital.

Discussion ensued and the Director General, with the assistance of the Directorate team, noted the following:

- the information concerning the number of immigration points per course will be provided later;
- with the change in the estimated cost of the project the number of ETPs required to break even have gone from 15 to 20. The Carpentry Program currently brings in 50 to 60 ETPs and if that can be maintained the school board will have what is required to meet its financial commitments;
- the question concerning equitable representation when a person calls the Multi Service Centre to inquire about Vocational Training programs has been addressed with CSSMI and a verbal agreement reached. Although it cannot be guaranteed 100%, CSSMI understands that both communities need to be served accordingly;

- in order to maximize the potential of the Multi Service Centre everything needs to be transparent;

- CSSMI has long waiting lists for some programs and this school board could help alleviate the wait;
- the Multi Service Centre Principal acts on behalf of both school boards;
- protocol is 50-50 for the bilingual cohorts and if this school board cannot meet its 50% the remaining available spaces are ceded to the students of CSSMI;
- if the Comité de suivi disagrees on an issue the Directors general of the two school boards will meet to come to an agreement;
- goal of the Multi Service Centre for this school board is to ensure that students have access to Vocational Training in English.

CC-160928-MR-0003

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-100518-CA-0138, supporting the proposal for a Multi Service Centre in partnership with la Commission Scolaire de la Seigneurie-des-Mille-Iles, for the Laurentian region;

WHEREAS the initial scope of the project will be extended to include Vocational Training program 5819 – Carpentry;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-160427-MR-0081, requesting authorization to borrow from the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (the Ministère) for the Multi Service Centre in partnership with la Commission Scolaire de la Seigneurie-des-Mille-Iles, for the Laurentian region;

WHEREAS since the adoption of said resolution there has been a revision of the estimated costs;

WHEREAS the total cost of the project is now estimated at 27 300 000\$, all taxes included;

WHEREAS the financial contribution of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board to the project is 9 150 000\$;

WHEREAS Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has received 4 000 000\$ from the Ministère under the Entente Canada-Québec;

WHEREAS Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has submitted an application for a further 750 000\$ from the Ministère under the Entente Canada-Québec;

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board request authorization from the Ministère to borrow for an amount not exceeding 4 400 000\$.

AND THAT this resolution replaces #CC-160427-MR-0081.

Carried unanimously

The Chair thanked the Director General and the Assistant Director General for all of the work that has gone into these recent developments.

Commissioner Emilio Migliozi entered the meeting.

TIME: 20:21 hours

5.2 *LRHS Pool Rejuvenation Project:*

The Director of Material Resources explained that this is to correct an oversight from many years ago.

CC-160928-MR-0004

WHEREAS on July 1, 1998 the Government of Québec created language school boards resulting in Commission scolaire du Long-Sault and the Laurentian School Board respectively becoming Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS, on April 1, 1976, the predecessor school boards, Commission scolaire du Long-Sault and the Laurentian School Board signed an agreement for the construction of a pool;

WHEREAS the agreement signed states that the Commission scolaire du Long-Sault and the Laurentian School Board would be co-owners of said pool;

WHEREAS this agreement was never legally registered at the Registre foncier du Québec of the Ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles (MERN);

WHEREAS the pool was built on the Laurentian Regional High School land, lot #5852984, as per the latest cadastral reform, hence legally implying the full ownership to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the pool is registered under the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord in the Banque des immeubles des commissions scolaires (BICS) of the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur, thus giving them the full annual allocations;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-100127-MR-0085, entering into a partnership agreement for a shared cost rejuvenation project for the swimming pool located at Laurentian Regional High School with Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord, the Ville de Lachute and the MRC d'Argenteuil;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-141012-MR-0097, approving the final distribution of costs;

WHEREAS the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord is the project coordinator and has undertaken the complete pool renovation project, as per the partnership agreement;

WHEREAS the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord sought the expertise of a firm specializing in taxes in order to save GST and PST and were advised that proof of equal co-ownership of the pool building must be made available;

WHEREAS on February 10, 2016 lot #5852983 was created, specifically for the pool building;

Commissioner Robert Dixon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize the creation of a deed of property listing the Commission scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board as equal co-owners of lot #5852983.

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

FURTHER THAT a co-ownership agreement be prepared and registered at the Registre foncier du Québec of the Ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles (MERN).

Carried unanimously

6.0 DECISION ITEMS:

6.1 QESBA

6.1.1 Bill 105:

CC-160928-CA-0005

WHEREAS the Government of Québec has deposited Bill 105: An Act to amend the Education Act (the Bill);

WHEREAS the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) has conducted an in depth study of the Bill and its implications and has sought and received legal counsel regarding the constitutionality of the Bill as per section 23 of the Minority Language Community Rights guarantees;

WHEREAS there are sections of the Bill that the QESBA endorses;

WHEREAS there are certain sections of the Bill that are interpreted by QESBA and its legal counsel to infringe on minority community rights to manage and control its educational institutions as guaranteed in section 23 of the Canadian Constitution;

WHEREAS QESBA wishes to work with the Government of Québec to enact legislation that is beneficial to and respectful of student success and supportive of all staff, administration, elected officials and the minority community language and culture;

Commissioner Dean Dugas MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Quebec English School Boards (QESBA) to represent its interests on any issue concerning Bill 105: An Act to amend the Education Act.

AND THAT the QESBA indicate to the Government of Québec which sections of the Bill are cause for concern and offer the reasons and suggested changes;

AND THAT the administration of the QESBA be mandated to engage government officials in said discussions;

AND THAT the QESBA express the issues of concern and the sections of support within the Bill at the parliamentary hearings into Bill 105 and in public statements to the media and at community meetings;

FURTHER THAT the President of QESBA, or her designate, be mandated as the sole spokesperson for the Association on this matter.

Carried unanimously

6.2 COMMUNICATIONS & CORPORATE AFFAIRS

6.2.1 Commissioners Remuneration 2016-2017:

In response to a question from Commissioner Robert Dixon, the Chair noted that the remuneration for 2016-2017 was subject to a 1.5% increase over last year.

CC-160928-CA-0006

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is composed of nine (9) elected commissioners, one (1) elected Chair and three (3) Parent Commissioners;

WHEREAS the *Quebec Government decree #605-2016, June 29, 2016*, establishes the annual maximum amount of remuneration to be paid to Commissioners who are members of the Council of Commissioners;

WHEREAS the total maximum annual amount allocated to Commissioners for 2016-2017 will be \$117,793;

Commissioner Anne McMullon MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopt the proposed 2016-2017 remuneration.

AND THAT the detailed allocation per Commissioner will continue as the prior year until a revised allocation is recommended by the Corporate Committee for adoption by the Council of Commissioners.

Carried unanimously

6.2.2 Soccer Complex - Mandate:

In response to a concern expressed by Commissioner Guy Gagnon, the Chair reassured the Council that the contribution of the school board would only be the land at Laval Junior Academy.

CC-160928-CA-0007

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has approached the Fonds de solidarité FTQ to consider a partnership for a soccer complex in Laval;

WHEREAS the FTQ has shown a favourable response to this potential partnership;

WHEREAS two Laval soccer associations, l'Association sportive Monteuil and the Club de soccer Fabrose, would be financially contributing towards this partnership;

WHEREAS the inclusion of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation as a partner will be given priority;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board will seek additional grants and partnerships to support this initiative;

WHEREAS the soccer complex could be located on the land adjacent to Laval Junior Academy;

Commissioner Emilio Migliozi MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Senior Administration to explore a partnership for a soccer complex in Laval with the Fonds de solidarité FTQ.

AND THAT further development on the project be reported back to the Council of Commissioners.

Carried unanimously

Commissioner Emilio Migliozi excused himself for the evening.

TIME: 20:30 hours

6.2.3 Election of Chair & Vice-Chair – Corporate Committee:

Commissioner Dean Dugas nominated Commissioner Guy Gagnon. Commissioner Gagnon accepted the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

CC-160928-CA-0008

Commissioner Dean Dugas MOVED THAT Commissioner Guy Gagnon be appointed as Chair of the Corporate Committee for the 2016-2017 school year.

Carried unanimously

Commissioner Guy Gagnon nominated Commissioner Ailsa Pehi. Commissioner Pehi accepted the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

CC-160928-CA-0009

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED THAT Commissioner Ailsa Pehi be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Corporate Committee for the 2016-2017 school year.

Carried unanimously

In response to a question from Parent Commissioner Pamala Cripton, the Chair noted that it has to be an elected Commissioner who sits as Chair or Vice-Chair of a committee.

6.2.4 Election of Chair & Vice-Chair – Pedagogical Committee:

Commissioner Dean Dugas nominated Commissioner Anne McMullon. Commissioner McMullon accepted the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

CC-160928-CA-0010

Commissioner Dean Dugas MOVED THAT Commissioner Anne McMullon be appointed as Chair of the Pedagogical Committee for the 2016-2017 school year.

Carried unanimously

Commissioner Anne McMullon nominated Commissioner Vicky Kaliozakis. Commissioner Kaliozakis accepted the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

CC-160928-CA-0011

Commissioner Anne McMullon MOVED THAT Commissioner Vicky Kaliozakis be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Pedagogical Committee for the 2016-2017 school year.

Carried unanimously

The Chair thanked Commissioners Gagnon, Kaliotzakis, McMullon and Pehi for all they do for their respective committees.

6.2.5 Report of the Appeals Review Committee:

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

TIME: 20:33 hours

The meeting resumed.

TIME: 21:01 hours

Parent Commissioner Pamala Cripton indicated that she did not support this resolution.

CC-160928-CA-0012

WHEREAS “Student A” does not currently attend a Sir Wilfrid Laurier School;

WHEREAS the parent submitted a request for the 2016-2017 school year for transportation of “student A” to the school currently attended which is not part of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board (SWLSB);

WHEREAS the parent submitted a second request for reimbursement for the mileage/travel cost to the school currently attended, which is not part of the SWLSB;

WHEREAS the parent of “Student A” also submitted a request and has completed the necessary documentation under policy #2000-CA-03: Reconsideration of a decision affecting a student (the Policy), requesting to have a revision of the complementary services offered to “Student A”;

WHEREAS the Appeals Review Committee (the Committee) of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board met on 2016-09-26 to examine the request of the parent of “Student A” to have a revision of the complementary services that were offered to “Student A” while a student at the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the parent presented her position to the Committee vis-à-vis her initial request for compensation for transportation;

WHEREAS the Committee considered the request of the parent for compensation for transportation to a school outside of the SWLSB territory and considered the services offered to “Student A” while attending the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Commissioner Vicky Kaliotzakis MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Appeals Review Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board resolves that there be no monetary compensation for the transportation of “Student A” as said student is no longer a student of the SWLSB.

Carried unanimously

6.2.6 Composition of Governing Board – Joliette High School:

The Vice-Chair explained that originally the decision was taken not to hold Governing Board elections because the four remaining members of the Joliette High School Governing Board would remain in office but at the request of the community a transition year was requested and in 2017-2018 a Governing Board will be elected in accordance with the resolution #990616-CA-0302.

CC-160928-CA-0013

WHEREAS, as per the Education Act, section 43, the Council of Commissioners adopted resolution #990616-CA-0302 determining the composition of governing boards for all the schools of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS as per resolution #990616-CA-0302 the established number of parents for a high school of more than 250 students is 8;

WHEREAS student enrollment has decreased to below 250 students at Joliette High School;

WHEREAS the parents of Joliette High School have expressed concerns regarding the composition of the governing board for parents;

Commissioner Dean Dugas MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize that the current governing board structure remain identical to the previous year (2015-2016) with 8 parent representatives for a one-year period, if the numbers are below 250 enrolled students.

AND THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier school Board also authorize that four new parent representatives be elected at the General Assembly of Parents, prior to September 30, 2016, for a one-year mandate only;

FURTHER THAT this one-year transition will allow the school community to plan for the next year (2017-2018) in the event the student enrolment numbers remain below 250, as per resolution #990616-CA-0302.

Carried unanimously

6.3	MATERIAL RESOURCES
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6.3.1 Investment Plan 2017-2017 (PQI) – Measure 50514:

The Director of Material Resources explained that this measure was introduced after the approval of the capital projects for 2016-2017. This is a bonus for this school board as there are four schools that are badly in need of a new gym.

In response to questions, the Director of Material Resources noted that the approval of the Ministère is required for this kind of work and once received the school board has 18 to 20 months to complete the work.

CC-160928-MR-0014

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board received a letter from the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (the Ministère) on 2016-07-07 requiring that school boards submit their respective *Plan québécois des infrastructures 2017-2027* no later than 2016-08-26;

WHEREAS the Ministère has adopted Measure 50514 « Ajout de gymnases » to assist school boards with the addition of gymnasiums;

Commissioner Paolo Galati MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the *2017-2027 Plan québécois des infrastructures* as below:

BUILDING NUMBER	SCHOOL NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT TAXES INCLUDED
885-005	Pinewood Elementary School – Campus B	Gymnasium addition - 538 m ²	2 762 346\$
885-011	Ste-Adèle Elementary School	Gymnasium addition - 623 m ²	2 935 073\$
885-027	Phoenix Alternative	Gymnasium addition - 629 m ²	3 011 400\$
885-049	St-Vincent Elementary School – St-Jacques Centre	Gymnasium addition - 538 m ²	2 470 392\$
TOTAL AMOUNT (taxes included) - Plan québécois des infrastructures 2017-2027			11 179 211\$

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

Carried unanimously

6.3.2 Bank of Professionals:

The Director of Material Resources advised the Council that this is the last year for the current bank of professionals and that the school board will go to tender soon to select a new bank of professionals.

In response to a comment from Commissioner Guy Gagnon, the Chair reminded everyone that it is the law that dictates who can sit on a Selection Committee for the engagement of professionals.

In response to other questions, the Director of Material Resources noted:

- the call for tender for professionals is only open to architects and engineers from the Laval-Laurentides-Lanaudière (LLL) region;
- the school board engages a general contractor for a project and it is the general contractor that engages the sub-contractors;
- when the school board calls for tenders for a contractor, any contractor can submit a bid as it is not restricted to the LLL region

CC-160928-MR-0015

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolutions #CC-140917-MR-0026, CC-140917-MR-0027, CC-140917-MR-0028 and CC-140917-MR-0029, approving the list of Architects, Civil and Structural Engineers, Mechanical and Electrical Engineers and Geotechnical Engineers, for the bank of Professionals, for a three-year period, for the projects for which the sums for professional fees are less than \$100,000., as per Document #SWLSB-2014/09/17-MR-001;

WHEREAS, as per Article 43 of the Regulation respecting service contracts of public bodies, a public notice of qualification will be published again at least once a year so as to allow the qualification of other service providers during the period of validity of the list;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-150629-MR-0196 approving the addition of Professionals to the initial 2014-2017 bank of Professionals, for the projects for which the sums for professional fees are less than \$100,000, as per Document #SWLSB-2015/06/29-MR-002.

WHEREAS elements of this process are the preparation of a public notice of qualification and the creation of a Selection Committee;

WHEREAS a public notice of qualification so as to allow the qualification of other service providers was prepared and proposals were received on 2016-08-30;

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;

WHEREAS the Treasury Board has amended, effective 2015-08-01, the Directive on the management of the supply, service and construction contracts of public bodies;

WHEREAS the amendment referred to in Division 4, Paragraph 8, Item 10, concerns the composition of the Selection Committee and stipulates that the project manager, the chief executive officer of the public body, a member of the board of directors, or if the public body is a school board, a commissioner from that board, may not be members of the selection committee.

Commissioner Vicky Kaliozakis 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 qualification of other service providers for the bank of Professionals (year three of three) be composed of the following members:

1	Member from the Directorate
2	Members from the Material Resources Department
1	Member from the Material Resources Department acting as Secretary of the Selection Committee

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

Carried unanimously

6.4 EDUCATIONAL & COMPLEMENTARY SERVICES

6.4.1 Peter Hall School:

The Interim Director of Complementary Services advised that 22 students are at Peter Hall School, 7 at the elementary level and 15 at the secondary.

CC-160928-ED-0016

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses the services of the Peter Hall School for the education of some of its students;

WHEREAS the Peter Hall School invoices the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for these services;

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Interim Director of Complementary Services, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of the invoice received from the **Peter Hall School** for educational services to be provided to students of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2016-2017 school year, in the amount of 543,305.00\$, all taxes included.

Carried unanimously

6.4.2 Summit School:

The Interim Director of Complementary Services advised that 35 students are at the Summit School, 2 in Kindergarten, 11 in elementary and 22 in secondary. On the recommendation of Complementary service, this school board transports 9 of the 35 students who do not live in Laval and Summit School transports the rest.

CC-160928-ED-0017

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses the services of the Summit School for the education of some of its students;

WHEREAS the Summit School invoices the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for these services;

Parent Commissioner Pamala Cripton MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Interim Director of Complementary Services, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of the invoice received from the **Summit School** for educational services to be provided to students of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2016-2017 school year, in the amount of 784,865.00\$, all taxes included.

Carried unanimously

6.4 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

6.4.1 GRICS Annual Invoice 2016-2017:

The Director of Information Technology advised that the annual increase for 2016-2017 is 2.3%.

In response to questions, the Director of Information Technology noted that by 2018 Financial and Human Resources data will be completely migrated to Mozaic which is a global platform so it will be more secure as the data will be stored offsite.

CC-160928-IT-0018

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses GRICS (Société de gestion du réseau informatique des commissions scolaires) software 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;

Parent Commissioner Sergio Di Marco MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of invoices #FP-502850,

#FP-502851 and #FP-502855 received for the 2016-2017 school year from **GRICS** (Société de gestion du réseau informatique des commissions scolaires) in the amount of 385,303.95\$ (443,003.22\$, all taxes included).

Carried unanimously

7.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 *SWL Foundation:*

Commissioner Ailsa Pehi commented on the most recent meeting of the Foundation noting:

- planning for the 2016-2017 year notably:
 - 2017-01-26 - January Gala
 - 2017-05-31 - Laurier Gala & Star Fest
 - 2017-06-08 - Lobster Gala
- examining ways to bridge the gap between the school communities and the Foundation so that there is a better understanding of what the Foundation has done for the schools to date and what future plans hold;
- the Foundation has raised over \$670,000 for the schools and centres since it was established;
- the Foundation is looking for new sponsors.

In response to questions, Commissioner Pehi noted:

- the Foundation is preparing a communication package that can be used whether presenting to a Governing Board or a potential sponsor;
- anyone is interested in being on the Foundation should write a letter to the President indicating an interest and this will be placed on the next agenda for consideration.

The Coordinator of Communications & Public Relations advised the Council that at its 2016-12-14 meeting the Foundation will be awarding project funding to those schools that submitted a project that was retained. The Principal and the person who wrote the project will be invited, as will the media.

The Chair invited Commissioner Ailsa Pehi to provide a brief report on her attendance at the Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) Conference in July.

Commissioner Pehi commented on the conference and on her attendance at the National Trustee Gathering on Aboriginal Education noting:

- the President and the Executive Director of QESBA gave an informative presentation on Bill 86. Several attendees indicated that it was very interesting to hear about what the education issues are in Québec, given that there is not a lot of media coverage;
- attending the National Trustee Gathering for Aboriginal Education was very informative and all school boards throughout Canada need to work with these communities because for many children in these communities the only place where they have a sense of belonging, a sense of safety and security, a place to have a sense of normality, is school;
- school has saved many lives within the Aboriginal community where the suicide rate is high;
- Québec needs to expend a lot of effort in the support of the Aboriginal community because it is the only province in Canada where the students are not fully integrated into the public school system;
- there were 94 calls for action in Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report and if 47 communities each implement 2, it will not take long for all 94 to be achieved.

7.2 **Parent Commissioners Report:**

Parent Commissioner Angela Martorana advised the Council that the first meeting of the Parents Committee for 2016-2017 will take place on 2016-10-06 and Parent Commissioners will be elected that evening.

Parent Commissioner Sergio Di Marco extended thanks to the outgoing Chair of the Parents Committee, Carol Mastroaini Toteda, for her dedication while holding the post.

Parent Commissioner Pamala Crompton announced that her replacement as Chair of the SEAC Committee and as Parent Commissioner is Stéphane Henley and that he will be an asset to SEAC.

7.4 **Report of QESBA:**

This was covered under item 4.1.

8.0 **QUESTION PERIOD:**

In response to questions from the audience, the Chair noted that the Director General is aware of the date conflict with the Parents Committee and the open house at Laval Junior Academy and changes will be made for 2017-2018.

The Director General provided a response to a question asked earlier in the meeting concerning the immigration points for Vocational Training programs noting the following:

Program	Points
Carpentry	2
Commercial & Residential Painting	6
Plumbing and Heating	12
Preparing and Finishing Concrete	6
Welding and Fitting	12

9.0 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

The Chair drew the Council's attention to the correspondence in the meeting package.

In response to questions and concerns about a petition with respect to Bill 105, the Secretary General noted that:

- an e-push is usually only used for pedagogical and emergency purposes;
- an e-push could be done but it would have to be to the entire school board community;
- the link to the petition is on the corporate Facebook page.

In response to concerns expressed by Commissioner Vicky Kaliozakis, the Chair noted that:

- the parking lot at Laval Junior Academy will be refurbished if the soccer complex is approved;
- "What does a Commissioner do?" would be a good item to have on a Corporate Committee agenda.

10.0 VARIA:

There were no varia

11.0 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin MOVED adjournment of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 21:51 hours

NEXT MEETING ⇒ REGULAR ⇒ 2016-10-26

Johanne Brabant, Secretary General

Jennifer Maccarone, Chair