

Council Highlights December 9, 2020

The Council adopted the following resolutions:

Enrolment Criteria Consultation Feedback WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board's policy on enrolment criteria, policy no. 2014-TS-04: *Enrolment Criteria*, is reviewed on an as-needed basis;

CC-201209-TS-0046

WHEREAS amendments to said policy were made, in particular, to the registration period, whereby new students will be registering at the same time as those who are re-registering;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution no. CC-200923-TS-0004, authorizing for consultation the amendments to said policy;

WHEREAS the consultation period ended on November 27, 2020;

WHEREAS the Parents' Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has been consulted on policy no. 2014-TS-04: *Enrolment Criteria* and its feedback was received and taken into consideration;

WHEREAS the registration period for students, in accordance with the revised policy, is as follows:

- Registration period: Begins the last full week of January until the end of February;
- o Re-registration period: Begins the **last full week** of January until the end of January;

Commissioner Melissa Wall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopt revised policy no. 2014-TS-04: *Enrolment Criteria*;

AND THAT this policy be in effect until replaced.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Vice-Principal Rosemere HS WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution no. CC-170125-HR-0050, approving the 2017-2018 Organizational Chart for Management Staff;

CC-201209-HR-0047

WHEREAS the position of Vice-Principal at Rosemere High School is currently vacant;

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 5.2.1 of policy no. 2000-HR-02: Regulating the Working Conditions of Management Staff Represented by the Association québécoise des cadres scolaires – Sir Wilfrid Laurier Section AND section 8.2 of policy no. 2000-HR-01: Regulating the Working Conditions of Management Staff represented by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators' Association, a selection committee was established to conduct interviews;

WHEREAS this position was posted and the selection committee held interviews on November 19, 2020;

Commissioner Olivia Landry MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the selection committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage Shannon Rudolph as Vice-Principal at Rosemere High School, effective December 10, 2020, in accordance with policies no. 2000-HR-02 and no. 2000-HR-01 on the working conditions of management staff of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

Carried unanimously

Statement of Unpaid Taxes

WHEREAS section 339 of the Education Act ("the Act") requires the Director General to prepare a statement of the school taxes due and owing by owners;

CC-201209-FR-0048

WHEREAS section 340 of the Act stipulates that the statement prepared as per section 339 be submitted to the Council of Commissioners for approval;

Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the statement prepared on December 1, 2020, in the amount of \$1,669,707.32.

Carried unanimously

Authorization for Consultation

Budget Building 2021-2022 WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is commencing its budget building process for the 2021-2022 school year;

CC-201209-FR-0049

WHEREAS section 275 of the Education Act requires a school board to establish the objectives and principles governing the allocation of its revenues;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has drafted its 2021-2022 Budget Consultation Survey;

WHEREAS said consultation survey was presented to the Audit Committee on December 2, 2020. as well as to the Resource Allocation Committee on October 23, 2020, and November 27, 2020;

Commissioner Karla Abraham Di Francesco MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize for consultation the 2021-2022 Budget Consultation Survey, as contained in document no. SWLSB-2020/12/09-FR-001;

AND THAT the consultation begin on December 10, 2020, and end on February 11, 2021, with the Governing Boards, the Parents' Committee, the Association québécoise des cadres scolaires -SWL Section and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier Administrators' Association.

Carried unanimously

PQI 2021-2031

WHEREAS, on an annual basis, the government allocates funds to school boards to help build and enlarge schools and centres;

CC-201209-MR-0050

WHEREAS school boards must present their requests through the PQI (Plan québécois des infrastructures) on an annual basis:

WHEREAS the priority needs of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board have been evaluated:

Commissioner Donna Anber MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the requests below as part of the Plan québécois des infrastructures 2021-2031:

| Region | | Budget | | |
|-------------|---|--|-----------------|--|
| Laval | Crestview Elementary School | Request for 4 portable classrooms | \$42,000,000.00 | |
| | | Request for construction of new school | | |
| Laurentians | New School (Mirabel area) | Request for 2 portables | \$35,000.000.00 | |
| | | Request for new construction in Saint-Jérôme / Mirabel area | | |
| | New School (Sainte-Marthe-sur- le-Lac area) | Request for 4 portables | \$26,000,000.00 | |
| | | Request for new construction inSainte-Marthe-sur-le-Lac area | | |
| | Sainte-Adèle Elementary School | Request for one single gymnasium | \$5,700,000.00 | |

AND THAT the Director of Material Resources and Transportation be mandated to submit the above requests to the Ministry of Education and to sign or submit any relevant documentation in this regard.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor Portables - Joliette ES

WHEREAS Joliette Elementary School has reached its capacity and requires temporary classrooms (portables) in order to alleviate overcrowding;

CC-201209-MR-0051

WHEREAS a public call for tenders was made for the rental and installation of temporary classrooms (portables) and tenders were opened on November 5, 2020;

WHEREAS the conformability of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Bob Pellerin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the rental and installation of temporary classrooms (portables) at Joliette Elementary School to SM Construction Inc., for a total cost of \$998,500.00, before taxes, or \$1,067,264.20, net taxes;

AND THAT the Chairperson or, in their absence or with their knowledge, the Vice-Chairperson as well as the Director General or, in their absence or with their knowledge, the Assistant Director General be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources and Transportation be authorized to sign documentation concerning this project, as per by-law no. BL2008-CA-01: Delegation of Functions & Powers of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

Carried unanimously

Summit School

Amendments to Resolutions WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution no. CC-201111-ED-0036, approving the payment of the invoice received from the Summit School for educational services to be provided to sixty-five (65) students in the amount of \$1,591,747.00;

CC-201209-ED-0052

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board has received a revised list of students from the Summit School that shows a decrease of one student:

Commissioner James Di Sano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board amend resolution no. CC-201111-ED-0036, by changing the amount to be paid to read \$1,567,828.00 and by replacing the grid with the following:

| Level | Number of Students | Cost Per Student | Cost of Services 2020-2021 |
|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Pre-K | | | |
| Kindergarten | | | |
| Elementary | 38 | \$24,893.00 | \$945,934.00 |
| Secondary | 26 | \$23,919.00 | \$621,894.00 |
| Total Cost | 64 | | \$1,567,828.00 |

Carried unanimously

Deaf

Amendments to Resolutions WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution no. CC-201111-ED-0039, approving the payment of the invoice received from the Montreal Oral School for the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf for educational services to be provided to ten (10) students in the amount of \$285,580.00;

CC-201209-ED-0053

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board revised the list of students from the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf and noted that one student needed to be added to the total number of students at the Pre-K level:

Commissioner Vincent Cammisano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board amend resolution no. CC-201111-ED-0039, by changing the amount to be paid to read \$312,619.00 and by replacing the grid with the following:

| Level | Number of Students | Cost Per Student | Cost of Services 2020-2021 |
|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Pre-K | 3 | \$27,039.00 | \$81,117.00 |
| Kindergarten | 1 | \$27,039.00 | \$27,039.00 |
| Elementary | 7 | \$29,209.00 | \$204,463.00 |
| Secondary | | | |
| Total Cost | 11 | | \$312,619.00 |

Carried unanimously

Equipment

CC-201209-MR-0054

Cost of Personal Protective WHEREAS, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board (SWLSB) has been under obligation to procure significant quantities of personal protective equipment (PPE) in order to meet the directives issued by the Ministère de l'Éducation (MEQ) and the public health authorities:

WHEREAS the SWLSB follows diligently the health and safety standards for all staff and students;

WHEREAS the SWLSB has incurred significant costs to date to purchase the required PPE;

WHEREAS, for the 2019-2020 school year, the SWLSB has not been fully funded for the purchase of the PPE;

WHEREAS the SWLSB continues to purchase PPE for the current school year;

WHEREAS these additional costs have an impact on students and staff;

Commissioner Adam Gordon MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board formally request to the Ministère de l'Éducation to reimburse, in a timely fashion, all personal protective equipment costs for the 2020-2021 school year;

AND THAT this resolution be sent notably to the Ministère de l'Éducation with an accompanying letter signed by the Chairperson of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board requesting such reimbursement in the best interest of all students, staff and the entire Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board community.

Carried unanimously

Cost of School Elections

WHEREAS school boards are obligated to cover the full cost of school elections, which take place every four years;

CC-201209-CA-0055

WHEREAS the cost to the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board (SWLSB) for a school election is approximately \$350,000.00;

WHEREAS the Government of Québec provides no financing for these school elections;

WHEREAS the Government of Québec has suspended on two occasions the school elections scheduled for November 1, 2020;

WHEREAS suspending the school election has incurred additional costs for the SWLSB;

WHEREAS, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, school elections are expected to be more costly given the health and safety guidelines;

WHEREAS the Quebec English School Board Association (QESBA) has issued a letter to the Ministre de l'Éducation requesting that school boards be reimbursed for the added school election costs, as well as proper funding for the school elections once these are resumed;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board supports the request made by the QESBA;

Commissioner Melissa Wall MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board formally requests that the Ministère de l'Éducation reimburse the school board for all additional costs incurred by the suspension of school elections on two occasions;

AND THAT proper funding be provided to all English-language school boards to cover school election costs;

FURTHER THAT this resolution be sent notably to the Ministère de l'Éducation with an accompanying letter signed by the Chairperson of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

Carried unanimously