

PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC
Ville de Rosemère

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, Rosemère, QC on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 19:30 hours, at which were:

Present: Paolo Galati Chairperson; Bob Pellerin, Vice-Chairperson Alternate; Commissioners James Di Sano, Peter MacLaurin, Anne McMullon, Melissa Wall and Parent Commissioners Tara Anderson, Anthony Beliotis, and Stéphane Henley and Gaëlle Absolonne, Director General.

Also present were: Frédéric Greschner, Assistant Director General; Anna Sollazzo, Director of Corporate Affairs and Secretary General; Robin Bennett, Director of Information Technology; Florence Delorme, Director of School Affairs and School Organization; Michel Dufour, Director of Material Resources and Transportation; Chao Ling Pan, Director of Financial Resources; François Badin, Assistant Director of Human Resources and Jocelyne Thompson-Ness, Administration Officer.

Absent: Commissioners Vicky Kaliozakis, Vice-Chairperson; Anick Brunet, Guy Gagnon and Emilio Migliozzi

Guests: Andrea Venditti, Teacher at Rosemere High School; Maxeen Jolin Coordinator of Communications and Public Relations for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board; and Susan O'Keeffe

The Chairperson opened the meeting.

TIME: 19:30 hours

0.0 Recognition

0.1 2019 CAP Award for Excellence in Teaching High School/CEGEP Physics (Quebec and Nunavut)

The Chairperson advised that this evening the school board is honouring Andrea Venditti, teacher at Rosemere High School, on being awarded the Canadian Association of Physicists (CAP) Award for Excellence in Teaching High School/CEGEP Physics (Quebec and Nunavut). He extended congratulations, on behalf of the Council, for this exceptional accomplishment.

Dr. Jean Barrett, Professor Emeritus, Department of Physics, McGill University, presented Ms. Venditti with her CAP Award.

Ms. Venditti thanked everyone and noted that with the CAP Award she receives \$1,000 to purchase equipment for her classroom as well as the opportunity to spend a week at the SNOLAB in Sudbury, Ontario. The SNOLAB is an underground lab that is 2 km underground and specializes in neutrino and dark matter physics.

0.2 Prix Bravo

The Director General advised that the school board is also honouring its Communications and Public Relations team this evening. She welcomed Mxleen Jolin, Coordinator of Communications and Public Relations, and Susan O'Keeffe, Graphic Arts Technician, and congratulated them on winning two Bravo Awards from the Canadian Association of Communicators in Education (CACE), the Coup de Coeur Award for the 2019-2020 Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board Registration Campaign and an Award of Distinction for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board's Commitment-to-Success Plan 2018-2022.

The Coordinator of Communications and Public Relations thanked the school board for the recognition noting that it was a team effort.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order.

TIME: 19:40 hours

1.0 Opening of Meeting

1.1 Acknowledgement of the Land

"We [I] would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Kanien'keha:ka or Mohawk nation. The Mohawk Nation is also known as the "Eastern Door Keepers" and is a member of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, which also includes the Seneca, Cayuga, Tuscarora, Onondaga and Oneida Peoples.

All those who gather here are counted as esteemed stakeholders in our community and most importantly friends."

2.0 Approval of the Agenda

The following addition to the agenda was proposed:

Approval of the Agenda

CC-191023-CA-0023

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as presented in document #SWLSB-2019/09/25-CA-001.

Carried unanimously

3.0 Approval of Minutes

3.1 September 25, 2019:

Approval of Minutes
September 25, 2019

CC-191023-CA-0024

Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley MOVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on September 25, 2019, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as written.

Carried unanimously

4.0 Question Period

The Director of Corporate Affairs and Secretary General reviewed the procedure for the question periods noting that no written questions had been received for the first question period.

5.0 Report from the Chairperson

The Chairperson reiterated the school board's congratulations to Andrea Venditti, Maxeem Jolin and Susan O'Keefe on their awards.

He went on to present his monthly report noting the following events:

- September 27, 2019 – Climate Change Day events at Rosemere High School and Laval Junior Academy;
- September 27, 2019 – Welcome Back Carnival at St-Vincent Elementary School;

- October 5, 2019 – Alouettes Game Day. Congratulations to Jeremy, a student at Rosemere High School, and Florence, a student at McCaig Elementary School, who were honoured for their academic and athletic performances. They received four complimentary tickets to the game and an Alouettes jersey and hat;
- October 6, 2019 – Laval Senior Academy Graduation. Close to 500 students received their high school diplomas;
- October 7, 2019 – Phoenix Alternative Graduation. This event is very inspiring given the perseverance of the students to achieve this honor;
- October 10, 2019 – Retirement Dinner. There were 45 employees celebrated on their retirement;
- October 11, 2019 – Inauguration of the outdoor classroom and climbing space at Hillcrest Academy;
- October 16, 2019 – Consultation with SRQEA (Secrétariat aux relations avec les Québécois d'expression anglaise). This was a consultation with Christopher Skeete, Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier for Relations with English-Speaking Quebecers, concerning Bill 40;
- October 17, 2019 – Rosemere High School Open House;
- October 18, 2019 – Launch of the PRDS (Politique régionale de développement sociale). This group is working to narrow the socio-economic gap;
- October 19, 2019 – Laurentian Regional High School Graduation;
- October 22, 2019 – Laval Junior Academy Appreciation evening. This is the first time this event was held and it was inspired by one act of kindness by a student in the school.

The Chairperson extended congratulation to all students, teachers, administrators, parents and Commissioners who were involved in all the events in recent weeks.

6.0 Report from the Director General

The Director General presented her monthly report noting that she had attended many of the same events as the Chairperson and commented as follows:

- October 7, 2019 – Phoenix Alternative High School graduation saw thirteen students graduate in front of the entire school, students and staff, which is a tradition for this school as all support one another with determination and dedication that allows them to succeed;
- October 10, 2019 – Retirement Dinner – an evening that honors those who have worked for the school board no matter how long or short their time. It is hard to replace the experience when employees retire;
- October 11, 2019 – Consultation with Christopher Skeete for the English-speaking Community – This event allowed the English community to express its needs and challenges as an English-speaking community including Bill 40, if implemented. There were several members of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier school Board present at this event, which was noticed by Mr. Skeete and the Secretariat;
- October 18, 2019 – Lancement PRDS / Maison des Arts de Laval - this event was to promote social participation, support local communities, improve living conditions, reduce social inequalities and to promote coherence between public bodies. The Commission scolaire de Laval and the Ville de Laval were also present;
- October 21, 2019 – Sport-études and Hockey Program Information Session at Laval Junior Academy – this event was attended by 75 people interested in learning more about these programs;
- October 22, 2019 – Student Appreciation Evening at Laval Junior Academy – was an evening filled with positive energy which prompted parental emails expressing their appreciation for the event and the warm welcome;

- October 21 – 25, 2019 – School/Centre Administrators Week – a short video of thanks to administrators was presented;
- October 23, 2019 – Head office Staff Meeting – Special guests from Vocational Training were present to promote the service through their testimonials;
- Vocational Training – upcoming cohorts:
 - November 4, 2019 – Starting a Business;
 - January 27, 2020 – Auto Mechanics – which is a bilingual program in partnership with Commission scolaire de Laval;
- Promotion of the Commitment-to-Success Plan, Vocational Training and QualificAction on the new door decals in the head office;
- Salon “Mieux comprendre la diversité / Embracing Diversity” – the school board will be the first to host this event in English on March 29 – 30, 2020 at Laval Senior Academy. March 29 is open to the public and March 30 is for school board employees. Some of the topics will be better understanding autism, coping with stress, managing anxiety, etc. There will be some places open for other English school boards to attend.

The Chairperson requested that invitations to the Salon “Mieux comprendre la diversité / Embracing Diversity” be sent to various politicians including the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau.

7.0 Decision Items:

7.1 Human Resources

7.1.1 Local Arrangements – SEPB, Local 577

The Assistant Director of Human Resources provided an overview of what takes place after the provincial agreement is signed noting that there are clauses of said agreement that are negotiated at the local level. He went on to present and review the negotiated local arrangements between the school board and SEPB, Local 577 highlighting the major changes.

Local Arrangements
SEPB, Local 577

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board ratified the agreement in principle with the SEPB, Local 577 on those matters subject to local arrangements;

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WHEREAS the negotiations have been completed to the satisfaction of the representatives of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the SEPB, Local 577 has advised that the negotiations have been completed and wishes to sign the agreement with the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

Commissioner Melissa Wall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the Local Arrangements between the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and the SEPB, Local 577, as they appear in document #SWLSB-2019/10/23-HR-001.

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 these negotiations.

Carried unanimously

7.1.2 Signing of Local Arrangements

The Chairman thanked each member of the negotiating team for all of the time and effort put in to the negotiation of the Local Arrangements between SEPB, Local 577 and the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board.

Commissioner Melissa Wall left the meeting.

TIME: 20:22 hours

7.2 School Affairs and School Organization

7.2.1 Enrolment Criteria – Authorization for Consultation

WHEREAS section 239 of the Education Act (Chapter I-13.3) states that the school board must adopt the enrolment criteria;

WHEREAS section 193 (6) of the Education Act requires that the Parents' Committee be consulted on the enrolment criteria;

Commissioner Anne McMullon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize for consultation the amendments to policy #2014-TS-04: Enrolment Criteria;

AND THAT this proposed Enrolment Criteria be subject to a 45-day consultation with the Parents Committee beginning on October 24, 2019 and ending on December 6, 2019.

Parent Commissioner Tara Anderson made a proposal that the end date be changed to December 9, 2019.

Motion to Amend

CC-191023-TS-0026

Parent Commissioner Tara Anderson MOVED THAT the end date for the consultation period be amended by changing it from December 6, 2019 to December 9, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Bob Pellerin.

Carried unanimously

Commissioner Melissa Wall returned to the meeting.

TIME: 20:25 hours

Enrolment Criteria

Authorization for Consultation

CC-191023-TS-0027

WHEREAS section 239 of the Education Act (Chapter I-13.3) states that the school board must adopt the enrolment criteria;

WHEREAS section 193 (6) of the Education Act requires that the Parents' Committee be consulted on the enrolment criteria;

Commissioner Anne McMullon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize for consultation the amendments to policy #2014-TS-04: Enrolment Criteria;

AND THAT this proposed Enrolment Criteria be subject to a 48-day consultation with the Parents Committee beginning on October 24, 2019 and ending on December 9, 2019.

Carried unanimously as amended

7.3 Material Resources and Transportation

7.3.1 Investment Plan (PQI) 2020-2030

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

- A feasibility study will have to be conducted prior to making a recommendation concerning the enlargement of Mountainview Elementary School or St-Jude Elementary School. When the study is completed and there is a recommendation, the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) will be updated;
- A new building is being requested for Crestview Elementary School that would be constructed in a different location as the current location could not accommodate a renovation or a new construction;
- The MEES will announce its selections from the PQI submissions throughout Québec in or around March or April, 2020;

Investment Plan (PQI)
2020-2030

CC-191023-MR-0028

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board received a letter from the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur on July 18, 2019 requiring that school boards submit their respective *Plan québécois des infrastructures 2020-2030* no later than October 31, 2019;

Parent Commissioner Anthony Beliotis MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the following requests as part of the *2020-2030 Plan québécois des infrastructures*:

ALL REGIONS		
SCHOOL	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COST (Taxes not included)
All schools	Capacity Study Balance of schools that have not yet been studied	\$30,000.00
LAVAL REGION		
SCHOOL	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COST (Taxes not included)
Crestview Elementary School	1. Request for portables, duration 3 years	\$1,000,000.00
	2. Request for new school construction - Size: 4-4-24-3 - Adapted for special needs students - Mixed with elementary grade students	\$30,000,000.00
John F. Kennedy Elementary School	1. Request for portables, duration 3 years	\$1,000,000.00
	2. Request for capacity study 3. Request for enlargement	\$5,000.00 \$5,000,000.00
St-Vincent Elementary School	1. Budget request for regrouping the two annexes	\$700,000.00 \$5,000,000.00 to \$8,000,000.00
	2. Request for portables, duration 3 years 3. Request for enlargement / major renovation	
CDC Vimont	1. 3 rd request for new construction 2. Strategy, if refused, request to move to St-Vincent or Crestview empty buildings	
LAURENTIDES REGION		
SCHOOL	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COST (Taxes not included)
Laurentia Elementary School	1. Request for portables, duration 3 years	\$700,000.00
	2. Budget request for study on long term options 3. Request for major renovation	\$20,000.00 \$5,000,000.00
New School	Request for new construction in the St-Jérôme/Mirabel area - Size: 3-3-18-2 - To alleviate overcrowding at Laurentia, Pierre-Elliott-Trudeau and Laurentian	\$25,000,000.00

St-Jude Elementary School	4. Request for portables at St-Jude, duration 3 years	\$1,000,000.00
Mountainview Elementary School	5. Request for capacity study – St-Jude and Mountainview	\$8,000.00
	6. Request for enlargement	TBD
LANAUDIÈRE REGION		
SCHOOL	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COST (Taxes not included)
Joliette Elementary School	1. Request for portables, duration of 3 years	\$700,000.00
	2. Budget request for feasibility study	\$20,000.00
	3. Request for enlargement	\$5,000,000.00

AND THAT this *Plan québécois des infrastructures 2020-2030* be submitted to the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur no later than October 31, 2019.

Carried unanimously

7.3.2 Engagement of Contractor – Bathroom Renovation Project – Laval Senior Academy

In response to a question from Parent Commissioner Anthony Beliotis, the Director of Material Resources and Transportation advised that there are approximately eight bathrooms scheduled to be renovated.

Engagement of Contractor
Bathroom Renovation
Project
Laval Senior Academy

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WHEREAS the bathrooms in blocks B and C of Laval Senior Academy require renovation;

WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) has adopted Measures 50621 to assist school boards with the repair, maintenance and renovation of its buildings;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution #CC-180627-MR- 0158, approving the 2018-2019 Capital Projects;

WHEREAS public tenders for the above mentioned project were called and opened on October 1, 2019;

WHEREAS the conformability of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner James Di Sano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources and Transportation, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the bathroom renovations Laval Senior Academy to Berloy Construction Inc., for a total cost of 1 466 995,00\$ before taxes, (1 686 677,50\$ all taxes included or 1 568 023,28\$ 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

7.4 Pedagogical Services

7.4.1 Ententes for Non-Integrated Students

7.4.1.1 Summit School

Ententes for Non-Integrated Students WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses the services of the Summit School for the education of some of its students;

Summit School WHEREAS the total cost of the services provided for the 2019-2020 school year for non-integrated students amounts to:

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Level	Number of Students	Cost Per Student	Cost of Services 2019-2020
Kindergarten	1	\$23,601.00	\$23,601.00
Elementary	30	\$24,543.00	\$736,290.00
Secondary	28	\$23,582.00	\$660,296.00
Total Cost	59		\$1,420,187.00

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Pedagogical 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 non-integrated students of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$1,420,187.00.

Carried unanimously

7.4.1.2 Peter Hall School

In response to a question from Parent Commissioner Anthony Beliotis, the Director of Financial Resources noted that there are no taxes as these are educational services.

Ententes for Non-Integrated Students WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses the services of the Peter Hall School for the education of some of its students;

Peter Hall School WHEREAS the total cost of the services provided for the 2019-2020 school year for non-integrated students amounts to:

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Level	Number of Students	Cost Per Student	Cost of Services 2019-2020
Kindergarten	3	28,138.00\$	\$84,414.00
Elementary	11	\$28,576.00	\$314,336.00
Secondary	15	\$25,618.00	\$384,270.00
Total Cost	29		\$783,020.00

Commissioner Bob Pellerin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director Pedagogical 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 non-integrated students of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$783,020.00.

Carried unanimously

7.4.1.3 Yaldei Development Centre

Ententes for Non-Integrated Students WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses the services of the Yaldei Development Centre for the education of some of its students;

Yaldei Development Centre WHEREAS the total cost of the services provided for the 2019-2020 school year for non-integrated students amounts to:

CC-191023-ED-0032

Level	Number of Students	Cost Per Student	Cost of Services 2019-2020
Kindergarten	2	\$25,135.00	\$50,270.00
Elementary	7	\$26,993.00	\$188,951.00
Secondary			
Total Cost	9		\$239,221.00

Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Pedagogical Services, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of the invoice received from Yaldei Development Centre for educational services to be provided to non-integrated students of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$239,221.00.

Carried unanimously

7.4.1.4 Montreal Oral School for the Deaf

Commissioner Peter MacLaurin indicated that he would be recusing himself for this vote.

Ententes for Non-Integrated Students WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses the services of the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf for the education of some of its students;

Montreal Oral School for the Deaf WHEREAS the total cost of the services provided for the 2019-2020 school year for non-integrated students amounts to:

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Level	Number of Students	Cost Per Student	Cost of Services 2019-2020
Pre-K	1	\$26,894.00	\$26,894.00
Kindergarten	2	\$26,894.00	\$53,788.00
Elementary	5	\$29,043.00	\$145,215.00
Secondary			
Total Cost	9		\$225,897.00

Commissioner Melissa Wall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Pedagogical Services, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of the invoice received from Montreal Oral School for the Deaf for educational services provided to non-integrated students of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$225,897.00.

Carried unanimously

7.4.1.5 Vanguard School

Ententes for Non-Integrated Students WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board uses the services of the Vanguard School for the education of some of its students;

Vanguard School WHEREAS the total cost of the services provided for the 2019-2020 school year for non-integrated students amounts to:

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Level	Number of Students	Cost Per Student	Cost of Services 2019-2020
Kindergarten			
Elementary	9	\$15,525.00	\$139,725.00
Secondary	5	\$16,112.00	\$80,560.00
Total Cost	14		\$220,285.00

Commissioner Anne McMullon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Pedagogical Services, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the payment of the invoice received from Vanguard School for educational services to be provided to non-integrated students of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$220,285.00.

Carried unanimously

8.0 Information Items

8.1 SWL Foundation Report:

There was no report.

8.2 Parent Commissioners Reports

8.2.1 Parents Committee Report:

Parent Commissioner Tara Anderson noted that at the October 3, 2019 meeting of the Parents Committee discussion took place on the number of days allowed for a consultation involving Parents Committee and that the committee feels that a longer period is request in order to allow delegates to bring the consultation back to their respective Governing Boards for feedback.

8.2.2 SEAC Report:

There was no report.

8.3 Report of QESBA

There was no report.

9.0 Question Period

There were no questions.

10.0 Correspondence

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

11.0 **Varia**

There was no varia.

12.0 **Adjournment**

Parent Commissioner Tara Anderson MOVED the adjournment of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 20:41 hours

NEXT MEETING ⇨ REGULAR ⇨ November 27, 2019

Anna Sollazzo, Secretary General

Paolo Galati, Chairperson