# PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC Ville de Rosemère

A Special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board was held in room 36A of the Administration Centre, 235 Montée Lesage, Rosemère, QC, and via teleconference or videoconference on Friday, October 16, 2020 at 9:00 hours, at which were:

**Present at Administration Centre:** Paolo Galati, Chairperson; Gaëlle Absolonne, Director General; Robin Bennett, Director of Information Technology; and Michel Dufour, Director of Material Resources and Transportation.

**Present via teleconference or videoconference:** Commissioner Bob Pellerin, Vice-Chairperson; Commissioners James Di Sano, Guy Gagnon, and Vicky Kaliotzakis.

Also present via teleconference or videoconference were: Parent Commissioner Tara Anderson; Frédéric Greschner, Assistant Director General; Anna Sollazzo, Director of Corporate Affairs and Secretary General; Geoffrey Hipps, Director of Pedagogical Services; and Jocelyne Thompson-Ness, Administration Officer.

Absent: Commissioner Melissa Wall and Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley.

### 1.0 Opening of Meeting

The Chairperson called the meeting to order and confirmed with the Director of Corporate Affairs and Secretary General that the process for calling this special meeting was in conformity with the law.

TIME: 9:05hours

After roll call, the Director of Corporate Affairs and Secretary General confirmed quorum.

#### 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:

Approval of the Agenda

Commissioner James Di Sano MOVED THAT the special agenda be approved as presented in document #X-SWLSB-2020/10/16-CA-001.

EC-201016-CA-0050

**Carried unanimously** 

## 3.0 Material Resources and Transportation

#### 3.1 Additional Transportation Needs – Groupe Renaud Inc. – Jewish General Hospital

The Director of Material Resources and Transportation advised that normally there are twenty (20) students transported to the Jewish General Hospital in four minivans, five students per minivan, but due to COVID-19 this number has been reduced to sixteen or four students per minivan so once this number is exceeded an additional vehicle is required.

The Director of Pedagogical Services noted that the nature of the Jewish General Hospital Day Program is that it is a therapy program with an educational component. The program services the greater Montréal area and there is not a set number of places so when a call is received that a student has been accepted the school board needs make the necessary transportation arrangements.

In response to a question from Commissioner Guy Gagnon, the Director of Material Resources and Transportation noted that the additional minivan is required because the number of students being transported has exceed sixteen.

Additional Transportation Needs

WHEREAS the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution no. CC-170628-TS-0129, renewing contracts with various transportation contractors for five (5) years beginning on July 1, 2017, and ending on June 30, 2022;

Groupe Renaud Inc.

Jewish General Hospital

EC-201016-TS-0051

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board received a letter dated August 12, 2020, from the Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur (MEES) informing the school board that, due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, the maximum capacity of berlines has been set at four (4) student passengers, with a physical barrier installed, or two (2) student passengers, without a physical barrier installed;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board (SWLSB) was informed in early October that a student with special needs under its jurisdiction required transportation to and from the Jewish General Hospital;

WHEREAS said student requires this service as of October 20, 2020;

WHEREAS an additional minivan is required to service this student to and from the Jewish General Hospital;

WHEREAS the next scheduled meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is on November 11, 2020;

WHEREAS the SWLSB could not have foreseen this additional need, which is out of its control:

Commissioner Vicky Kaliotzakis MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Material Resources and Transportation and the Director of Pedagogical Services, the Executive Committee of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the modification to the contract with Groupe Renaud Inc. for the period beginning October 20, 2020, by adding the following vehicle:

Vehicle no.	Capacity (Passengers)	Cost 2020-2021
937	5	\$26,000.00

AND THAT the Chairperson or, in his absence or with his knowledge, the Vice-Chairperson as well as the Director General or, in her absence or with her knowledge, the Assistant Director General be authorized to sign all documentation regarding the modification mentioned herein.

Carried unanimously

#### 4.0 Adjournment:

Commissioner Guy Gagnon MOVED the adjournment of the meeting.

Carried unanimously

TIME: 9:12 hours

NEXT MEETING 

REGULAR 

TBD

Anna Sollazzo, Secretary General

Paolo Galati, Chairperson