



COMMISSION SCOLAIRE SIR-WILFRID-LAURIER  
SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD

## Council Highlights March 31, 2021

The Council adopted the following resolutions:

Engagement of  
Professionals – Architects  
and Engineers

WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation (MEQ) has authorized the construction of a new school for the Lanaudière region under the PQI 2020-2030;

**CC-210331-MR-0086**

WHEREAS a public call for tenders was made for professional services for the construction of a new school in the Lanaudière region and tenders were opened on February 8, 2021, as follows:

- Lot no. 1: Architects
- Lot no. 2: Engineers – Civil and Structural
- Lot no. 3: Engineers – Mechanical and Electrical

WHEREAS members of the Selection Committee met on March 16, 2021, and submitted their evaluations of the bids received;

WHEREAS the conformability of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Melissa Wall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contracts for professional services as follows:

Lot no.	Profession	Contract Awarded to
1	Architect	Bergeron Thouin Associés Architectes Inc.
2	Engineer – Civil and Structural	GBI Experts-Conseils Inc.
3	Engineer – Mechanical and Electrical	Bouthillette Parizeau Inc.

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**

Engagement of Contractor

WHEREAS washroom renovations are required at McCaig Elementary School and Rosemere High School;

Washroom Renovation  
Projects – McCaig ES &  
Rosemere HS

WHEREAS a public call for tenders was made for renovations to the washrooms at McCaig Elementary School and Rosemere High School and tenders were opened on March 11, 2021;

**CC-210331-MR-0087**

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Olivia Landry MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Corporate Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for renovations to the washrooms at McCaig Elementary School and Rosemere High School to Services de Rénovation Parabole Inc., for a total cost of \$483,685.00, before taxes, or \$516,995.16, 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**

Engagement of Contractor WHEREAS renovations are required at Laurentian Regional High School for selected first floor washrooms and the showers in the locker rooms;

Washroom & Shower  
Renovation Project  
LRHS

WHEREAS a public call for tenders was made for the washroom and shower renovation project at Laurentian Regional High School and tenders were opened on March 11, 2021;

**CC-210331-MR-0088**

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Karla Abraham Di Francesco 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 washroom and shower renovations at Laurentian Regional High School to Construction Irénée Paquet & Fils Inc., for a total cost of \$819,811.51, before taxes, or \$875,949.22, 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**

Engagement of Contractor WHEREAS renovations are required at Laval Junior Academy to transform four existing classrooms into adaptive spaces for special needs students and for the installation of an access ramp for those with reduced mobility;

Installation of Access Ramp  
& Classroom Renovation  
Project - LJA

WHEREAS a public call for tenders was made for the renovations of four classrooms and the installation of an access ramp at Laval Junior Academy and tenders were opened on March 15, 2021;

**CC-210331-MR-0089**

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner James Di Sano 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 renovation of four classrooms and the installation of an access ramp at Laval Junior Academy to Banexco Inc., for a total cost of \$559,700.00, before taxes, or \$598,245.14, 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.

**Carried unanimously**

Variable Credit Contract – WHEREAS the Ministère de l'Éducation (MEQ) has increased the maximum short-term borrowing limits for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;  
Caisse Desjardins Thérèse-De Blainville

**CC-210331-FR-0090**

WHEREAS with the increase of the maximum short-term borrowing limits, the Caisse Desjardins Thérèse-De Blainville requires an updated variable credit contract;

Parent Commissioner Adam Gordon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board authorize borrowings from Caisse Desjardins Thérèse-De Blainville by means of the variable credit contract as per document no. SWLSB-2021/03/31-FR-001;

AND THAT the Director General and the Director of Financial Resources be authorized to sign for and in the name of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board this variable credit contract, as well as any other document deemed useful or necessary to give full effect to this contract.

**Carried unanimously**

Progressive Return to School for Secondary 3, 4, & 5 Students

**CC-210331-CA-0091**

WHEREAS the Premier of Québec, François Legault, announced on March 23, 2021, that Secondary 3, 4 and 5 students would return to in-school classes, full-time, as of March 29, 2021;

WHEREAS, since said announcement, the COVID-19 situation has evolved and confirmation was given by the public health authorities that Québec had officially entered into a third wave;

WHEREAS members of the Council of Commissioners expressed their concerns to the Director General, given that the safety and well-being of all students and staff is an utmost priority for the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board as clearly stated in its Commitment-to-Success Plan;

WHEREAS on March 30, 2021, all classes for Secondary 3, 4 and 5 students were suspended for six (6) high schools;

WHEREAS Secondary 3, 4 and 5 students resumed their original hybrid schedules today, March 31, 2021;


WHEREAS the evolving situation, the concerns raised by staff members and parents, as well as the additional information provided by the health authorities needed to be efficiently and properly assessed, while respecting the reality of each region and school;

WHEREAS additional safety and security measures will be put in place, where required;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board recognizes the importance of mental health and therefore wishes to welcome all of its students full-time in school as soon as possible;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners wishes to outline that the governmental authorities must allow for a reasonable delay to be given to each school team as to allow proper planning, scheduling as well the implementation of security measures.

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners wishes to outline the extraordinary work of all its staff members as well as their adaptability and resilience;



Commissioner Vincent Cammisano MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Director General to maintain a temporary hybrid schedule for all Secondary 3, 4 and 5 students of Laval Senior Academy, Sainte-Agathe Academy, Joliette High School, Laurentian Regional High School, Rosemère High School and Lake of Two Mountains High School and that preparations be made for the full-time return on April 6, 2021 with all additional security measures in place, where required;

FURTHER THAT a letter be sent to the Minister of Education, Mr. Jean-François Roberge, with regard notably to the importance of consulting and communicating directives in a timely fashion while giving school teams adequate time and flexibility to operationalize these directives.

**Carried unanimously**

