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

Council Highlights
March 30, 2022

The Council adopted the following resolution:

Nomination of a Returning Officer

CC-220330-CA-0068

WHEREAS the Commissioner for Electoral Division 6 has submitted his resignation, effective March 11, 2022;

WHEREAS section 200 of *the Act respecting school elections* (the Act) states that if more than 12 months remain before the polling day of the next general election and there is a vacancy on the council of commissioners, the returning officer of the school board shall hold an election to fill the office;

WHEREAS section 22 of the Act appoints the Director General of the school board as the returning officer *ex officio*;

WHEREAS the Director General has the right to refuse to act as such with the authorization of the Council of Commissioners;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners can appoint another person to replace the Director General as returning officer;

Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board appoint Sergio Gentile as its returning officer for the by-election to be held in June 2022, effective immediately.

Carried unanimously

Nomination of the RARC

CC-220330-CA-0069

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution no. CC-200429-FR-0091, naming the Assistant Director of Corporate Affairs and General Secretariat as its Contract Rules Compliance Monitor (RARC);

WHEREAS the Assistant Director of Legal, Corporate and Communications will be on a leave of absence and the school board has been advised that a physical person needs to be named to the position of RARC in the interim;

Commissioner James Di Sano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee - Administration, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board name Éloïse Robichaud, Interim Assistant Director of the Legal, Corporate and Communications Department, as its Contract Rules Compliance Monitor (RARC), effective immediately;

AND THAT the mandate of this position be in accordance with the law;

FURTHER THAT this resolution replace resolution no. CC-200429-FR-0091.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor

Arundel ES

Roof Replacement Project

CC-220330-MR-0070

WHEREAS the roof at Arundel Elementary School needs to be replaced;

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 21-151-01 was published for the replacement of the roof at Arundel Elementary School and the bids were opened on March 16, 2022;

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Donna Anber MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the replacement of the roof at Arundel Elementary School to Les Couvreurs Duro-Toit Inc., for a total cost of $178,220.00, before taxes, or $190,493.57, net taxes;

AND THAT the engagement above be conditional to the receipt of all contractual documents;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor

Mountainview ES

Roof Replacement Project

CC-220330-MR-0071

WHEREAS the roof at Mountainview Elementary School needs to be replaced;

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 21-163-01 was published for the replacement of the roof at Mountainview Elementary School and the bids were opened on February 21, 2022;

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Melissa Wall MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the replacement of the roof at Mountainview Elementary School to Poulin & Bureau Inc., for a total cost of $371,970.00 before taxes, or $397,586.64 net taxes;

AND THAT the engagement above be conditional to the receipt of all contractual documents;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor

RHS

Roof Replacement Project

CC-220330-MR-0072

WHEREAS the roof at Rosemere High School needs to be replaced;

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 21-187-01 was published for the replacement of the roof at Rosemere High School and the bids were opened on March 2, 2022;

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioners Olivia Landry MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the replacement of the roof at Rosemere High School to Couverture Montréal-Nord Ltée, for a total cost of $1,544,975.00 before taxes, or $1,652,373.57 net taxes;

AND THAT the engagement above be conditional to the receipt of all contractual documents;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor

Pierre Elliott Trudeau ES

Installation of Portables

CC-220330-MR-0073

WHEREAS due to the limited capacity for students at Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary School temporary classrooms are required;

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 21-177-01 was published for the rental and installation of four modular classrooms at Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary School and the bids were opened on March 8, 2022;

WHEREAS only one contractor submitted a compliant tender;

Parent Commissioner Adam Gordon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the rental and installation of four modular classrooms at Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary School to AMB Modulaire (AMB Tresec Inc.), for a total cost of $2,683,000.00, before taxes, or $2,867,771.50, net taxes;

AND THAT the engagement above be conditional to the receipt of all contractual documents;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor

Phoenix

Washroom Renovation Project

CC-220330-MR-0074

WHEREAS the washrooms at Phoenix Alternative High School require renovations;

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 21-186-01 was published for the renovation of the washrooms at Phoenix Alternative High School and the bids were opened on March 16, 2022;

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Vincent Cammisano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the renovation of the washrooms at Phoenix Alternative High School to Constructions Larco Inc., for a total cost of $673,000.00, before taxes, or $719,347.83, net taxes;

AND THAT the engagement above be conditional to the receipt of all contractual documents;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor

RHS

Washroom Renovation Project – Phase I

CC-220330-MR-0075

WHEREAS the washrooms at Rosemere High School require renovations;

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 21-187-01 was published for the renovation of the washrooms at Rosemere High School and the bids were opened on March 2, 2022;

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Olivia Landry MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the renovation of the washrooms at Rosemere High School to Constructions Larco Inc., for a total cost of $1,295,000.00 before taxes, or $1,384,183.41, net taxes;

AND THAT the engagement above be conditional to the receipt of all contractual documents;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor

Pinewood ES (Annex A)

Renovation of Drop-Off Zone

CC-220330-MR-0076

WHEREAS the parental drop-off zone and the parking lot at Pinewood Elementary School (Annex A) require renovations;

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 21-155-01 was published for the renovation of the parental drop-off zone and parking lot at Pinewood Elementary School (Annex A) and the bids were opened on March 8, 2022;

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Commissioner Bob Pellerin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for the renovation of the parental drop-off zone and parking lot at Pinewood Elementary School (Annex A) to 9267-7368 Québec Inc. for a total cost of $643,346.00, before taxes, or $687,651.63, net taxes;

AND THAT the engagement above be conditional to the receipt of all contractual documents;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Contractor

St-Jude ES

Interior Building Renovation

CC-220330-MR-0077

WHEREAS various essential elements of the building interior of St-Jude Elementary School require renovations (the hallway floors on the main level, the floors in four classrooms and replacement of lockers, for example);

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 21-168-02 was published for interior building renovations at St-Jude Elementary School and the bids were opened on February 21, 2022;

WHEREAS the conformity of all bidders has been verified;

Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board award the contract for interior building renovations at St-Jude Elementary School to Construction S. Fiset Inc., for a total cost of $701,600.00 before taxes, or $749,917.44, net taxes;

AND THAT the engagement above be conditional to the receipt of all contractual documents;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Material Resources be authorized to sign all documentation concerning this project.

Carried unanimously

Request to MEQ

PQI (2022-2032)

CC-220330-MR-0078

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution CC-211027-MR-0023 approving the projects it has requested to be included in the Plan québécois des infrastructures (PQI) 2022-2032;

WHEREAS the requested projects included the construction of three new schools in the Laurentian region to alleviate overcrowding at Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary School, McCaig Elementary School, Laurentia Elementary School, Mountainview Elementary School and St-Jude Elementary School, and the construction of one new school in the Laval region to address the specialized needs of the students at Crestview Elementary School;

WHEREAS the governing boards of the above-mentioned schools have adopted their respective resolutions concerning these projects with regards to the PQI 2022-2032;

Commissioner Donna Anber MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board ask that the school board's request to the Ministère de l'Éducation du Québec concerning its projects for the Plan québécois des infrastructures (PQI) 2022-2032 be updated by including the resolutions received from the governing boards of Pierre Elliott Trudeau Elementary School, McCaig Elementary School, Laurentia Elementary School, Mountainview Elementary School, St-Jude Elementary School and Crestview Elementary School, as contained in document no. CC-SWLSB-2022/03/30-MR-001;

AND THAT this revised request be transmitted to the Ministère de l'Éducation du Québec.

Carried unanimously

Participation in a CAG Tender

Acquisition of Photocopiers

CC-220330-IR-0079

WHEREAS the Centre d'acquisitions gouvernementales (CAG) will be conducting public call for tenders no. 2022-8065-50 to select suppliers for the acquisition of photocopiers by the participating public organizations;

WHEREAS the specifications of the CAG call for tenders will permit participating organizations to purchase photocopiers from any supplier whose price does not exceed the lowest bidder by more than 10%;

WHEREAS the *Regulation respecting certain supply contracts of public bodies* requires authorization from the Council of Commissioners before the public body can participate in this type of call for tenders;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to participate in this call for tenders in order to benefit from the thirty-six (36) month contracts to be awarded by the CAG;

WHEREAS the estimated cost of photocopier needs is $200,000.00, before taxes, for the term of the contract;

Commissioner Bob Pellerin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Director of Information Resources, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the participation of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board in public call for tenders no. 2022-8065-50 conducted by the Centre d'acquisitions gouvernementales;

AND THAT the Director of Information Resources be authorized to sign documentation concerning the participation of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board in this public call for tenders;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Information Resources be authorized to sign all purchase orders up to an amount not exceeding $200,000.00 before taxes.

Carried unanimously

Dawson College Enlargement Project

CC-220330-CA-0080

WHEREAS Dawson College is an English institution of higher learning that is part of the public college network of Québec;

WHEREAS, by virtue of its mission, Dawson College offers English education and training to Quebecers who have been admitted;

WHEREAS it has been established that Dawson College suffers from a space deficit and has worked with the Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur over several years on an enlargement project;

WHEREAS this enlargement project was identified as a priority project in the *Act respecting the acceleration of certain infrastructure projects*, adopted by the Québec National Assembly in December 2020;

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2022, the Premier of Québec made public the Government's decision to postpone this enlargement project;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board received a copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Dawson College on February 9, 2022, concerning the Québec Government's decision to postpone this enlargement project, as contained in document no. CC-SWLSB-2022/03/30-CA-002;

WHEREAS Dawson College has stated that postponing the enlargement project will have a negative impact on the maintenance and development of English services offered to students who are currently attending and will be attending the college in the near future;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to support Dawson College in its request to the Québec Government to maintain this enlargement project as planned in the next Plan québécois des infrastructures;

WHEREAS it is crucial that all CEGEPs in Québec and their students be treated equally, whether the services offered to these students are in French or in English;

Commissioner Melissa Wall MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board inform the Premier of Québec, François Legault, that it fully supports the approved enlargement project for Dawson College;

AND THAT the Council hereby request the Premier of Québec to reconsider his decision to postpone the Dawson College enlargement project.

Carried unanimously

Ukrainian Refugees

CC-220330-CA-0081

WHEREAS the current war in Ukraine has made it necessary for many citizens to flee the country and seek asylum elsewhere;

WHEREAS the Government of Québec has announced that the province will welcome Ukrainian refugees with open arms;

WHEREAS a number of school service centres have already announced that they are willing to receive refugees from Ukraine;

WHEREAS some Ukrainian refugees may have knowledge of English as a second language;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is equipped to take in additional students and teach in both French and English;

WHEREAS the *Charter of the French Language* contains a humanitarian clause that allows for admission to the English school system under exceptional circumstances;

WHEREAS the Ukrainian refugee crisis is a humanitarian issue;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is willing and able to assist in the education of Ukrainian refugees;

Commissioner James Di Sano MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners hereby confirm that the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is willing to accept Ukrainian refugees into its schools and centres, effective immediately, on humanitarian grounds;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Québec, François Legault, and the Minister of Education, Jean-François Roberge.

Carried unanimously