

## **Special Council Highlights** November 29, 2023

## The Council adopted the following resolution:

2022-2023 Financial Statements and External Auditor's Report

WHEREAS section 286 of the Education Act requires a school board to submit annual Financial Statements:

CC-231129-FR-0034

WHEREAS the firm Amyot Gélinas s.e.n.c.r.l. has completed the audit of the records and statements of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the period ending June 30, 2023;

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 286 of the Education Act, a public notice was given on November 11, 2023;

WHEREAS the school board has a preliminary surplus of \$31,722,804.13;

WHEREAS the 2022-2023 Financial Statements, prepared according to the Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards, show the following:

Beginning Accumulated Surplus:	\$1,701,277.41
Restatement of prior years:	(33,160,195.80)
Restated beginning deficit:	(31,458,918.39)
Current Year:	
Revenues:	\$259,176,181.67
Expenses:	<u>227,453,377.54</u>
Total Current Year Surplus:	31,722,804.13
Ending Accumulated Surplus:	\$263,885.74

Commissioner Bob Pellerin MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the 2022-2023 audited Financial Statements of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board for the period ending June 30, 2023, be received by the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board as submitted.

Carried unanimously

Candidates

Initiation of a Call for Nominations for WHEREAS the Commissioner seat for Electoral Division no. 2 became vacant on November 16, 2023;

CC-231129-CA-0035

WHEREAS the vacancy must be filled within 30 days in accordance with section 199 of the Act Respecting School Elections;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to initiate a notice to seek external nominations for the vacant position of commissioner in Electoral Division no. 2;



WHEREAS the consultation of the Parents Committee by the Interim Secretary General and the Chairperson will occur on December 7, 2023, to receive comments or recommendations on the candidacies presented by December 8, 2023;

WHEREAS the Chairperson will call for a caucus meeting to review the nominations for the position of Commissioner on December 18, 2023;

WHEREAS a new commissioner for Electoral Division no. 2 will be appointed on December 18, 2023, and will be sworn in at the next regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners;

Parent Commissioner Stéphane Henley MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the proposed timeline, as contained in document no. SWLSB-2023/11/29-CA-002;

AND THAT the above-mentioned actions be executed by the Interim Secretary General immediately.

Carried unanimously

Division of Territory

November 2024 School Elections

CC-231129-CA-0036

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board adopted resolution no. CC-230531-CA-0121, approving the proposal for the division of territory for the November 3, 2024, school elections;

WHEREAS, in accordance with section 9 of the *Act Respecting School Elections*, the division of territory was published in the Montreal Gazette on June 14, 2023, for consultation by the electors for a period of 15 days:

WHEREAS there were no responses received by the June 29, 2023, deadline;

WHEREAS section 9.6 of the *Act Respecting School Elections* requires the Council of Commissioners to adopt a resolution approving the division of territory before December 31 of the year preceding the year in which the general election for which the division is required is to be held;

Parent Commissioner Chloée Alary MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Administration, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board approve the division of territory for the November 3, 2024, school elections as contained in document no. SWLSB-2023/11/29-CA-003.

Carried unanimously

**Vocational Training Authorization** 

Renewal Request

High Pressure Welding

CC-231129-AE-0037

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners adopted resolution no. CC-180523-AE-0130, requesting a provisional authorization from the Ministère de l'Éducation for the AVS 5734 High-Pressure Welding program;

WHEREAS this request was in partnership with the Centre de services scolaire des Mille-Îles (CSSMI) and the Centre de services scolaire de la Rivière-du-Nord (CSSRDN);

WHEREAS this program is taking place at the Construc-Plus Vocational Centre;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to support the CSSMI and the CSSRDN with this renewal of the provisional authorization for 2024-2025, 2025-2026 and 2026-2027;

WHEREAS the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board wishes to request a renewal of the provisional authorization to offer the AVS 5734 High-Pressure Welding program;

Commissioner James Di Sano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board request a renewal of the provisional authorization from the Ministère de l'Éducation for the following program:

AVS 5734 High-Pressure Welding

**Carried unanimously** 

Addition of a New Ventilation System

WHEREAS a new ventilation system is required in the original portion of the building at Twin Oaks Elementary School;

Twin Oaks ES

CC-231129-MR-0038

WHEREAS public call for tenders no. 23-174-01 was issued for the addition of a new ventilation system at Twin Oaks Elementary School and opened on November 9, 2023;

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 addition of the new ventilation system at Twin Oaks Elementary School to Constructions Seni inc., for a total cost of \$3,493,854.00 before taxes or \$3,734,466.99 net taxes;

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

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

Carried unanimously

Engagement of Interim Assistant Ethics Commissioner

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners adopted resolutions no. CC190925-CA-0010 and CC-190925-CA0011 naming Alternate Ethics Commissioners #1 and #2;

CC-231129-CA-0039

WHEREAS the Alternate Ethics Commissioners #1 and #2 have informed the school board that they are unavailable for an undetermined time period;

WHEREAS section 9.1.4 of by-law BL2009-CA-17: Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct for Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandates the Council of Commissioners to name by resolution a substitute to replace the Ethics Commissioner if he is absent or unable to perform his duties:

Commissioner Vincent Cammisano MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board name, on a temporary basis, **Mº Frédéric Henri** as Alternate Ethics Commissioner effective immediately until the position is posted and filled through a selection committee;

AND THAT the Alternate Ethics Commissioner be remunerated only when dealing with a complaint in accordance with the rate indicated in the *Regulation Respecting the Remuneration of Arbitrators* (CQLR, c. C-27, r.6).

**Carried unanimously** 



Nomination of a Director General

CC-231129-CA-0040

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners adopted resolution no. CC-230705-CA-0006 commencing the process of hiring and selected to carry out part of the process independently and engage external support in accordance with section 4.1.1 of Policy no. 2012-CA-21 — Policy for the recruitment and hiring of a Director General and an Assistant Director General (hereinafter the "Policy");

WHEREAS the Council adopted resolution no. CC-230705-CA-0008 naming a Selection Committee for the hiring of a Director General in accordance with section 4.2.1 of the Policy;

WHEREAS the Selection Committee, as per section 4.2.5.5 of the Policy, must provide a recommendation to the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board;

WHEREAS the members of the Selection Committee were unanimous in its recommendation for the position of Director General;

Commissioner Barbara Barrasso MOVED THAT the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board engage Russell Copeman to the position of Director General of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board effective January 15, 2024;

AND THAT the Chairperson of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board be authorized to sign all documentation relating to the Contract of Employment.

**Carried unanimously** 

