

**PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC**  
**Western Québec School Board**

Minutes of the **Council of Commissioners** meeting held on December 8, 2015 at the Western Québec School Board, 15 rue Katimavik, Gatineau, Québec, at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Chair Shea, Commissioners Brunke, Daly, Dionne, Garbutt, Guy, Labadie, McCrank, and Schaler, and Parent Commissioners Fenton (by videoconference), Komm, and Davis

**Personnel:**

Director of Complementary Services, B. Burn  
Director of Human Resources, School Organization and Transportation, M. Dubeau  
Director of Education, M. Lothian  
Director of Buildings, Equipment, and Technology, P. Proulx

The Director General, P. Lamoureux, the Assistant Director General/Director of Education, Adult Education and Vocational Training, R. Ahern, the Secretary General / Director of Programs and Evaluation, Terry Kharyati were also present.

**REGRETS:** Commissioners Egan, Larventz, and Young, and Parent Commissioner Boucher

**Call to Order**

The Chair J. Shea called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

**C-15/16-51**

**Adoption of Agenda**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner McCrank that the agenda be adopted with the addition of:

14.1 QESBA

14.2 Bill 86

Carried unanimously

**C-15/16-52**

**Approval of Minutes – November 3, 2015**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Labadie that the minutes of a meeting held on November 3, 2015 be approved as circulated.

Carried unanimously

**Chair's Report**

The Chair presented his written report. In addition to his written report, topics mentioned included:

- Meeting of Chairs of Outaouais school boards with the press on December 8, 2015.

### **Director General's Report**

The Director General presented his written report. In addition, he presented information on the following topics:

- Global Day for support staff

**C-15/16-53** IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Brunke that congratulations be extended to the organizing committee and that a letter of recognition be sent on behalf of the School Board to the organizing committee.  
Carried unanimously

- Outstanding Teachers awards celebratory dinner
- The November 6 visit of a delegation of educators from China
- Bill 86

### **Auditor's Report**

Mr. Pierre Bédard, auditor with Samson and Associates, presented the WQSB financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2015.

### **Sport-Études**

The Secretary General / Director of Programs and Evaluation, T. Kharyati, made a presentation on the proposed Sport-études program at Hadley/PWHS for the 2016-2017 school year.

**C-15/16-54** **Sport-Études Program**  
WHEREAS Hadley/PWHS has requested a Sport-études program from the MEESR;  
WHEREAS the Hadley Governing Board has approved the Sport-études program;  
WHEREAS the School Board has received a formal authorization to offer the Sport-études program for the 2016-2017 school year;  
WHEREAS the program is submitted to a one (1) year probationary period;  
IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Schaler that the WQSB approve the implementation of a Sport-études program at Hadley/PWHS as of the 2016-2017 school year.  
For: 10  
Against: 1

Motion carried

**C-15/16-55** **Executive Committee Report – December 1, 2015**  
IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Guy that the Council acknowledge receipt of the draft Executive Committee minutes of December 1, 2015.

Carried unanimously

C-15/16-56

**Lindsay Place Alternative Program**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Daly that the Lindsay Place Alternative Program offered at Buckingham Elementary School be moved to Hadley/PWHS effective December 10, 2015.

For: 10  
 Against: 0  
 Abstention: 1

Motion carried

**International Program**

The Assistant Director General, R. Ahern, made a presentation on a recent recruitment trip to China for the International Program.

C-15/16-57

**Exchange of Services and Land between the Diocese of Pembroke and the Western Québec School Board**

WHEREAS Dr. Wilbert Keon School has expressed the need to increase the size of its playground;

WHEREAS the Diocese of Pembroke owns property located adjacent to the school property;

WHEREAS this property is not fenced;

WHEREAS the school and the Diocese share a road between their respective properties with no formal agreement;

WHEREAS the school and the Diocese share the use of the church and the presbytery parking lots with no long term formal agreement;

WHEREAS the WQSB owns a section of the street between the school and the church;

WHEREAS a proposal has been discussed between the school, the WQSB, and the Diocese to exchange a piece of property of 6898 m<sup>2</sup> against the property on the street and the installation of a fence around a parcel of the Diocese's property;

WHEREAS a mandate authorizing the WQSB to negotiate with the Diocese of Pembroke on the terms of an exchange of services and land is being requested;

WHEREAS the Director of Buildings, Equipment, and Technology, P. Proulx, will report back to the Council of Commissioners on the outcome of negotiations;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner McCrank that the Director of Buildings, Equipment, and Technology, P. Proulx, and the Principal of Dr. Wilbert Keon School, N. Fleming, be mandated to negotiate the terms and conditions of a proposal with the Diocese of Pembroke, and that the proposal include a long term agreement for the use of the road and the two parking lots.

Carried unanimously

C-15/16-58

**Purchase of Technology Equipment - Mesure 50730**

WHEREAS the MEESR has provided the WQSB with a grant "Mesure 50730 – Technology" in the amount of \$497 023 for the purchase of SMARTboards, desktops, laptops, monitors and peripherals;

WHEREAS the WQSB must, for the purchasing of this equipment, proceed by way of a group purchase through the CCSR;

WHEREAS the group purchasing contract for technology equipment will expire in May 2016;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Dionne that the Director of Buildings, Equipment, and Technology, P. Proulx, be authorized to proceed to the purchasing of the technology equipment through the CCSR contract.

Carried unanimously

C-15/16-59

**Invitation to Tender – Play Structure – Greater Gatineau School**

WHEREAS a call for the tendering of bids has been made by invitation for the above mentioned project;

WHEREAS the following persons and/or businesses were invited to tender bids:

Tessier Récréo-Parc Inc.  
Atelier Go-Élan Inc.  
Équipement récréatifs Jambette Inc.  
Techsport Inc.

WHEREAS the following tender was received and recorded:

Équipement récréatifs Jambette Inc.	\$53,000
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WHEREAS the bid conformed;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Guy that the bid submitted by Équipement récréatifs Jambette Inc. in the amount of \$53,000 excluding taxes be approved, and that the Director of Buildings, Equipment, and Technology, P. Proulx, be mandated to sign any and all documents necessary to give full effect to this resolution.

Carried unanimously

C-15/16-60

**Financial Statements 2014-2015**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Dionne that the Western Québec School Board's Financial Statements for the year ending June 30, 2015 be accepted as deposited.

Carried unanimously

The Director General, P. Lamoureux, presented a report detailing the number of requests made by taxpayers to transfer the payment of their school taxes from the French boards to the WQSB.

**C-15/16-61****Parents' Committee Report – October 26, 2015**

IT WAS MOVED by Parent Commissioner Davis that the Council acknowledge receipt of the Parents' Committee minutes of October 26, 2015.

Carried unanimously

**C-15/16-62****Governance and Ethics Committee Report – November 3, 2015**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Garbutt that the Council acknowledge receipt of the draft Governance and Ethics Committee minutes of November 3, 2015.

Carried unanimously

**C-15/16-63****Video Surveillance Policy**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Garbutt that the draft Video Surveillance Policy be sent out for public consultation.

Carried unanimously

Commissioner Guy, on behalf of Commissioner Larventz, reported on the work carried out to date by the Student Representation Committee. The committee has suggested that Council reserve a standing item on the agenda for student discussion on matters of interest to them, and another for student correspondence. The Chair suggested that formal resolutions should be brought forward at the next council meeting in January.

**C-15/16-64**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Guy that these items be added to the agenda of the next council of commissioners meeting to be held in January 2016.

Carried unanimously

**QESBA**

Commissioner Guy reported on a number of recent QESBA meetings.

**Bill 86**

The director general provided a brief summary of Bill 86 tabled at the National Assembly on December 4, 2015. It was agreed that this item be placed on the upcoming agendas as a standing item.

**Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of the Council of Commissioners will be held on January 26, 2016.

**C-15/16-65****Adjournment**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Daly that the meeting be adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Carried unanimously