

Minutes of the **Council of Commissioners** meeting held on April 27, 2021 via Teams videoconferencing at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Guy, Commissioners Boucher, Cornforth, Daly, Garbutt, Giannakoulis, Graham, Labadie, Lyrette-Brennan, McCrank, Schaler and Young, and Parent-Commissioners Brennan, Connell, Coutlée and Taylor.

Personnel:

Director of Buildings, Technology & Transportation P. Proulx

Director of Complementary Services L. Falasconi

Director of Education S. Aitken

Director of Finance M. Lupien

Administrative Officer R. Vincent

The Director General, M. Dubeau, the Secretary General – Director of Corporate Services, G. Singfield, and the Assistant Director General / Director of Education, Adult Education/Vocational Training, R. Ahern were also present.

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

- **Land Acknowledgment**

C-20/21-164 Adoption of Agenda

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Daly that the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

C-20/21-165 Approval of Minutes – March 30, 2021

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Coutlée that the minutes of a meeting held on March 30, 2021 be approved as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

Chair's Report

Chair Guy presented his report. Topics discussed included:

- The recent Bill 21 verdict and its impacts for English School Boards
- Bill 40 court proceedings
- The resumption of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on Indigenous Education meetings
- The Federal Budget
- A vaccination update for teachers and front-line workers
- The QESBA Internet Connectivity Working Group
- The CASSA-CSBA Indigenous Education Gathering – July 7-9, 2021
- Administrative Professionals Week

Director General's Report

The Director General presented his report. Topics discussed included:

- April 22, 2021 – as a positive turning point for him
- His visit to the WQSB Online Academy

- Congratulations to M. Singfield, M. Hall, as well as the entire OLA staff
- A proactive approach to collect data from the staff on the recalled masks
- How the Anti-Racism Community Building Working Group (ARC) continues its work to fulfill its mandate
- The second installment in Professor Sir George Berwick's Blog
- An acknowledgement of the incredible work the Technology department has done in regards to the purchase, distribution and support of pedagogical equipment since the beginning of the pandemic
- A short report on the issue of bullying and violence involving students with special needs

C-20/21-166 Executive Committee Report – April 20, 2021

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Labadie that Council acknowledge receipt of the draft Executive Committee minutes of April 20, 2021.

Carried Unanimously

C-20/21-167 Public Call for Tenders — 20510B170 – South Hull – Repointing of the Bricks Phase 1

WHEREAS by its resolution C-20/21-102, the WQSB approved a budget of \$925,000 for the repointing of the bricks at South Hull;

WHEREAS the project has been divided into two phases:

- Phase 1: repointing of the bricks for the entire school, including roof repairs, excluding the large gymnasium area.
- Phase 2: repointing of the bricks, including structural work on the gymnasium.

WHEREAS a public call for tenders was done for phase 1;

WHEREAS the following persons and/or businesses retrieved the tender documents:

ACQ – Région de l'Outaouais
 Benoit Cogné Construction Inc.
 Construction Fred Trottier (QC) Ltée
 Couvreur Rolland Boudreault
 Defran Inc.
 DLS Construction Inc.
 DMA Construction
 Industries CAMA
 LCC & Associés Canada Inc.
 Morin Isolation & Toitures Ltée
 TMR3 Couvreur Inc.

WHEREAS the following tenders were received and recorded:

LCC & Associés Canada Inc.	\$214,600
Industries CAMA	\$249,630

Benoit Cogné Construction Inc.	\$297,865
TMR3 Couvreur Inc.	\$309,534
Defran Inc.	\$317,222
Construction Fred Trottier (Qc) Ltée	\$363,040

WHEREAS the lowest bid conformed;

WHEREAS it is recommended by the Executive Committee to approve the bid submitted by LCC & Associés Canada Inc. and mandate the Director of Buildings to sign all documents necessary to give full effect to this resolution;

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Connell that the bid submitted by LCC & Associés Canada Inc. in the amount of \$214,600 be approved, and that Council mandate the Director of Buildings to sign all documents necessary to give full effect to this resolution.

For: 14

Against: 0

Abstention: 1-Commissioner Labadie

Motion Carried

C-20/21-168 Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) – February 12, 2021
IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Taylor that Council acknowledge receipt of the Special Education Advisory Committee minutes of February 12, 2021.

Carried Unanimously

C-20/21-169 Parents' Committee Report – March 22, 2021
IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Coutlée that Council acknowledge receipt of the Parents' Committee minutes of March 22, 2021.

Carried Unanimously

C-20/21-170 Governance & Ethics Committee Report – March 18, 2021
IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Garbutt that Council acknowledge receipt of the Governance & Ethics Committee minutes of March 18, 2021.

For: 14

Against: 1-Commissioner Taylor

Abstention: 0

Motion Carried

C-20/21-171 Proposed Calendar of Meetings 2021-2022 – Council of Commissioners

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Cornforth that the 2021-2022 calendar of meetings of the Council of Commissioners of the Western Québec School Board, as proposed by the Director General, be sent for public notice as called for by section 392 of the Education Act.

Carried Unanimously

C-20/21-172 Proposed Calendar of Meetings 2021-2022 – Executive Committee

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Young that the 2021-2022 calendar of meetings of the Executive Committee of the Western Québec School Board, as proposed by the Director General, be sent for public notice as called for by section 392 of the Education Act.

Carried Unanimously

C-20/21-173 Adjournment

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Boucher that the meeting be adjourned at 8:18 p.m.