

**Province of Quebec  
Western Quebec School Board**

Minutes of the **Council of Commissioners** meeting held on November 29, 2022, in a hybrid model at the Western Québec School Board office 15, rue Katimavik at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Chair Daly, Commissioners R. Boucher, Brushey, Cornforth, George, Giannakoulis, Goldsbrough, Graham, Labadie, Lyrette-Brennan, McCrank, Shaar, and Parent-Commissioners Brennan, A. Boucher, Fortier and Taylor.

**Personnel:**

Director of Complementary Services L. Falasconi  
Director of Education S. Aitken  
Director of Finance M. Lupien  
Director of Buildings P. Proulx  
Contract Compliance Officer A. Gendron  
Administrative Officer R. Vincent

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

- **Land Acknowledgment**
- **Swearing-in of New Parent-Commissioners**

**Call to Order:** 7:17 pm

**C-22/23-46**

**Adoption of Agenda**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner McCrank that the agenda be adopted as presented with the following additions and modifications:

- Addition of agenda item 7.3 Discipline Cttee Report
- Addition of agenda item 8.7 Modification of the scope of the project - Greater Gatineau Elementary School
- Move agenda item 11.1 to 8.0 Reports on Bullying and Violence Involving Special Needs Students

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-47**

**Approval of Minutes**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that the minutes of a meeting held on October 25, 2022, be approved as circulated with the following correction:

- Add to the chart of resolution # C-22/23-33 missing civil and structural engineer NORINFRA INC. with a rating of 74.5%.

For: 14  
Against: 0  
Abstention: 1  
Motion Carried

**C-22/23-48**

**Parity Committee Composition**

WHEREAS the Western Quebec Teacher's Association local agreement lists the representatives who sit on the WQSB parity committees;

WHEREAS the WQTA union president has requested that the Western Quebec School Board respect the conditions as outlined in the WQTA local agreement;

It was motioned by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that the WQSB parity committees be composed of equal representation from the union and the school board administration team as stipulated in the WQTA local agreement.

For: 14  
Against: 1 (Taylor)  
Abstention: 0  
Motion Carried

**C-22/23-49**

**Committee Membership Alignment with the Education Act**

WHEREAS the Education Act outlines the conditions for membership of the following committees: Executive, Human Resources, Audit, and Governance and Ethics;

WHEREAS the membership of the committees must align with the Education Act;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Labadie to ensure that committee membership adheres to the Education Act.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-50**

**Election Procedures**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Cornforth that the elections of the members of the Executive Committee and all other committees be held by secret ballot.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-51**

**Appointment of Scrutineers**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Shaar that Rachel Vincent and George Singfield be appointed as scrutineers for the election of the members of the Executive Committee and all other committees.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-52**

**Nominations for the Position of Parent-Commissioner on the Executive Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Graham that Council accept nominations for the position of Parent-Commissioner on the Executive Committee.

Nominations

Commissioner Brennan

Parent-Commissioner Fortier

**C-22/23-53**

**Declaration of Election of the Parent-Commissioner on the Executive Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Labadie that Parent-Commissioner Fortier be declared elected member of the Executive Committee.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-54**

**Nominations for Positions of Commissioner on the Executive Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Boucher that Council accept nominations for **five (5)** positions of Commissioner on the Executive Committee.

Nominations

Commissioner Cornforth

Commissioner Goldsbrough

Commissioner Graham

Commissioner Labadie

Commissioner Giannakoulis

Commissioner Boucher

Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan

**C-22/23-55**

**Declaration of Election of Commissioners on the Executive Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that Commissioners Cornforth, Graham, Labadie, Boucher, and Lyrette-Brennan be declared elected members of the Executive Committee.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-56**

**Nominations for Positions of Commissioner on the Governance & Ethics Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Brushey that Council accept nominations for **three (3)** positions of Commissioner on the Governance & Ethics Committee.

Nominations

Parent-Commissioner Boucher  
Commissioner Brushey  
Commissioner Shaar  
Parent-Commissioner Taylor  
Commissioner Giannakoulis

**C-22/23-57**

**Declaration of Election of Commissioners on the Governance & Ethics Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Labadie that Parent - Commissioners Boucher and Taylor and Commissioner Shaar be declared elected members of the Governance & Ethics Committee.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-58**

**Nominations for Positions of Commissioner on the Audit Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that Council accept nominations for **three (3)** positions of Commissioner on the Audit Committee.

Nominations

Commissioner Cornforth  
Commissioner McCrank  
Commissioner Giannakoulis

**C-22/23-59**

**Declaration of Election of Commissioners on the Audit Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Boucher that Commissioners Cornforth, McCrank and Giannakoulis be declared elected members of the Audit Committee.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-60**

**Nominations for Positions of Commissioner on the Human Resources Committee**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Cornforth that Council accept nominations for **three (3)** positions of Commissioner on the Human Resources Committee.

Nominations

Commissioner Goldsbrough  
Parent-Commissioner Taylor  
Commissioner Labadie  
Commissioner Boucher

- C-22/23-61**                    **Declaration of Election of Commissioners on the Human Resources Committee**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Graham that Commissioners Goldsbrough, Labadie, and Boucher be declared elected members of the Human Resources Committee.
- Carried unanimously
- C-22/23-62**                    **Nominations for Positions of Commissioner on the Discipline Committee**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that Council accept nominations for **five (5)** positions of Commissioner on the Discipline Committee.
- Nominations
- Parent-Commissioner Boucher
- Commissioner Brennan
- Commissioner Brushey
- Commissioner Giannakoulis
- Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan
- C-22/23-63**                    **Declaration of Election of Commissioners on the Discipline Committee**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that Parent-Commissioner Boucher and Commissioners Brennan, Brushey, Giannakoulis, and Lyrette-Brennan be declared elected members of the Discipline Committee.
- Carried unanimously
- C-22/23-64**                    **Nominations for Positions of Commissioner on the Transportation Committee**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that Council accept nominations for **two (2)** positions of Commissioner on the Transportation Committee.
- Nominations
- Commissioner Cornforth
- Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan
- C-22/23-65**                    **Declaration of Election of Commissioners on the Transportation Committee**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Brushey that Commissioners Cornforth and Lyrette-Brennan be declared elected members of the Transportation Committee.
- Carried unanimously

- C-22/23-66**      **Nominations for Representation on the Transportation Committee of CSS des Hauts-Bois-de-l'Outaouais**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Cornforth that Council accept nominations for representation on the Transportation Committee of CSS des Hauts-Bois-de-l'Outaouais.
- Nomination
- Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan
- C-22/23-67**      **Declaration of Election of Commissioner on the Transportation Committee of CSS des Hauts-Bois-de-l'Outaouais**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan be declared representative on the Transportation Committee of CSS des Hauts-Bois-de-l'Outaouais.
- Carried unanimously
- C-22/23-68**      **Nominations for Representation on the Transportation Committee of CSS de l'Or-et-des-Bois**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Shaar that Council accept nominations for representation on the Transportation Committee of CSS de l'Or-et-des-Bois
- Nomination
- Commissioner Brushey
- C-22/23-69**      **Declaration of Election of Commissioner on the Transportation Committee of CSS de l'Or-et-des-Bois**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Boucher that Commissioner Brushey be declared representative on the Transportation Committee of CSS de l'Or-et-des-Bois.
- Carried unanimously
- C-22/23-70**      **Nominations for Representation on the Transportation Committee of CSS de Rouyn-Noranda**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Shaar that Council accept nominations for representation on the Transportation Committee of CSS de Rouyn-Noranda.
- Nomination
- Commissioner Brushey
- C-22/23-71**      **Declaration of Election of Commissioner on the Transportation Committee of CSS de Rouyn-Noranda**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Fortier that Commissioner Brushey be declared representative on the Transportation Committee of CSS de Rouyn-Noranda.
- Carried unanimously

- C-22/23-72**      **Nominations for Representation on the Transportation Committee of CSS du Lac-Témiscamingue**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Goldsbrough that Council accept nominations for representation on the Transportation Committee of CSS du Lac-Témiscamingue.
- Nomination
- Commissioner Brushey
- C-22/23-73**      **Declaration of Election of Commissioner on the Transportation Committee of CSS du Lac-Témiscamingue**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Fortier that Commissioner Brushey be declared representative on the Transportation Committee of CSS du Lac-Témiscamingue.
- Carried unanimously
- C-22/23-74**      **Nominations for Positions of Commissioner on the Ad Hoc Communications Committee**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Boucher that Council accept nominations for **five (5)** positions of Commissioner on the Ad Hoc Communications Committee.
- Nominations
- Commissioner Goldsbrough  
 Parent-Commissioner Fortier  
 Parent-Commissioner Taylor  
 Commissioner Giannakoulis  
 Commissioner Boucher
- C-22/23-75**      **Declaration of Election of Commissioners on the Ad Hoc Communications Committee**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Labadie that Commissioners Goldsbrough, Giannakoulis, Boucher and Parent-Commissioners Fortier and Taylor be declared elected members of the Ad Hoc Communications Committee.
- Carried unanimously
- C-22/23-76**      **Nominations for Positions of Commissioner on the Advisory Committee on FNMI Education**  
 IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner McCrank that Council accept nominations for **four (4)** positions of Commissioner on the Advisory Committee on FNMI Education.
- Nominations
- Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan  
 Parent-Commissioner Taylor  
 Commissioner Labadie

**C-22/23-77****Declaration of Election of Commissioners on the Advisory Committee on FNMI Education**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Shaar that Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan and Parent-Commissioner Taylor be declared elected members of the Advisory Committee on FNMI Education.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-78****Annual Report 2021-2022**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Cornforth that the 2021-2022 Annual Report be received as presented.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-79****Executive Committee Report – November 22, 2022**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that Council acknowledge receipt of the draft Executive Committee minutes of November 22, 2022.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-80****Director General Evaluation 2021-2022**

WHEREAS the 2021-2022 Director General performance assessment was completed in June 2022 by the Executive Committee;

WHEREAS, as proposed by its resolution E-22/23-63, the Executive Committee recommends that Council acknowledge receipt of the Director General's final assessment rating;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Boucher that, as recommended by the Executive Committee, Council acknowledge receipt of the Director General's final assessment rating of Exceeds Expectations as outlined in the Performance Report in accordance with the WQSB Policy F-16.

For: 13

Against: 0

Abstention: 2

Motion Carried

**C-22/23-81****Reports on Bullying and Violence Involving Special Needs Students**

WHEREAS Policy A-16 guides and informs the WQSB Council of Commissioners' approach to governance and administration, and in this instance, most pertinently sets the expectations to:

1. Monitor, analyse, and support the performance of the Board, with regard to its short- and long-term goals.
2. Inspire, direct, and control the Board through the careful establishment and systematic monitoring of policies dealing with Board values and perspectives.



3. Be accountable for the accomplishment of its obligations to:
  - a. The students, the parents, and the community at large.
4. Involve students, parents, the staff, and the community in monitoring current performance and setting future direction.

WHEREAS in 2020-2021 in a public meeting of Council, the EHDAA Parent Commissioner asked for an administrative report on the number of special needs students involved as victims or instigators of bullying and violence in WQSB schools;

WHEREAS there was no administrative line of sight or data collection being done on the parameters of this problem, when the issue was raised in SEAC and at the Council of Commissioners, and when it was the subject of a meeting with the DG, DCS, Chair of SEAC and EHDAA Parent Commissioner in the Spring of school year 2020-21;

WHEREAS it was a topic of discussion at the May 2022 SEAC meeting (unofficial) to which the WQSB Ombudsman was invited;

WHEREAS the relevant data was collected starting in the 2021-2022 school year;

WHEREAS this issue as relates to students with special needs is a pressing one that affects the learning, safety, social integration, self-regulation, esteem, and sense of belonging which special needs students experience in the WQSB;

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Taylor to have a report given to Council in its October public meeting annually, including the overall number of incidents reported by grade level, with breakdowns by region and by rural and urban schools, with an overview of the outcomes (e.g., disciplinary measures or other types of resolution), as well as plans of action to reduce and resolve incidents affecting these vulnerable students using best practices; and,

To have the report included in the WQSB Annual Report.

For: 13

Against: 2

- Commissioner Labadie for lack of due process
- Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan

Abstention: 0

Motion Carried

**C-22/23-82****Motion to Amend Resolution # C-22/23-81**

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Boucher to amend resolution C-22/23-81 to read as follows:

- IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Taylor to have a report given to Council in its October public meeting annually, including the overall number of incidents reported by grade level, with breakdowns by region and by rural and urban schools, with an overview of the outcomes (e.g., disciplinary measures or other types of resolution), to the extent that it does not compromise the privacy of individuals involved.

For: 13

Against: 2

- Commissioner Labadie for lack of due process
- Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan

Abstention: 0

Motion Carried

**C-22/23-83****GRICS Hosting and Application Update Service Agreement # 22570G003**

WHEREAS to mitigate the risk related to data exfiltration and ransomware, the Ministère de la Cybersécurité et du Numérique is requesting that public services migrate their services to a secure cloud location;

WHEREAS the GRICS is the provincial software supplier for the management of school boards and service centers;

WHEREAS a contract with GRICS has been negotiated for the hosting and application updates;

WHEREAS the recurrent cost of the contract will be \$58,982 per year;

WHEREAS this contract is recommended by the Director of Technology;

WHEREAS, as proposed by its resolution E-22/23-74, the Executive Committee recommends that Council approve the contract with the GRICS for \$58,982 annually recurrent;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Labadie that, as recommended by the Executive Committee, Council approve the contract with the GRICS for \$58,982 annually recurrent, mandate the Director of Buildings, P. Proulx, to sign all necessary documents to give full effect to this resolution, and mandate the Director General to submit the Annexe 2 (IT Services contract) to the Treasury Board.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-84**

**Derogation Request to Purchasing Policy No. D-11 to Enter into a Mutual Agreement with Mindfulness Meghan, Mindful Educator Program for the 2022-2023 School Year**

WHEREAS the Western Québec School Board wishes to enter into a mutual agreement contract with Mindfulness Meghan, Mindful Educator Program at Philemon Wright High School and D'Arcy McGee High School for the 2022-2023 school year;

WHEREAS the contract start date is October 1, 2022, and the contract end date, is June 30, 2023;

WHEREAS s. 6.4 Mutual Agreement Contract, the WQSB Purchasing Policy states that:

- a) The School Board may use a mutual agreement process for contracts of an estimated value below \$5,000;
- b) The School Board communicates directly with at least one supplier, indicating the good(s), service(s) or construction work(s) required and any other relevant information;
- c) Before entering into a contract by mutual agreement, the School Board must ensure that fair prices and conditions are obtained;

WHEREAS the value of this contract to be entered into by mutual agreement is above the threshold of \$5,000 for a mutual agreement contract;

WHEREAS the tendering process for a contract above \$5,000 requires 3 written quotes;

WHEREAS Policy D-11, s. 7 provides an exception to the tendering process:

*Except for contracts where the estimated expenditure is equal to or above the thresholds established by the Act Respecting Contracting by Public Bodies, the Council of Commissioners may authorize the School Board, in exceptional circumstances and for legitimate reasons, to enter into a contract without following the tendering processes described herein.*

WHEREAS Mindfulness Meghan, Mindful Educator Program has provided integrated services for our students in the past and is the only firm who can provide this service to the WQSB;

WHEREAS the value of the contract is estimated at \$75,000 before taxes;

WHEREAS, as proposed by its resolution E-22/23-76, the Executive Committee recommends that Council approve the derogation request and enter into a mutual agreement contract

with Mindfulness Meghan, Mindful Educator Program for the 2022-2023 school year;

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Taylor that, as recommended by the Executive Committee, Council approve the derogation request and enter into a mutual agreement contract with Mindfulness Meghan, Mindful Educator Program for the 2022-2023 school year, and mandate the Director General to submit the Annexe 2 to the Treasury Board.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-85**

**Derogation Request to Purchasing Policy No. D-11 to Enter into a Mutual Agreement with the English Montreal School Board to Provide Itinerant Teacher Services to Visually Handicapped Students at the Western Quebec School Board for the 2022-2023 school year. #22560G003**

WHEREAS the Western Québec School Board wishes to enter into a mutual agreement contract with the English Montreal School Board to provide itinerant teacher services to the visually handicapped students at the Western Quebec School Board for the 2022-2023 school year;

WHEREAS s. 6.4 Mutual Agreement Contract, the WQSB Purchasing Policy states that:

- a) The School Board may use a mutual agreement process for contracts of an estimated value below \$5,000;
- b) The School Board communicates directly with at least one supplier, indicating the good(s), service(s) or construction work(s) required and any other relevant information;
- c) Before entering into a contract by mutual agreement, the School Board must ensure that fair prices and conditions are obtained;

WHEREAS the value of this contract to be entered into by mutual agreement is above the threshold of \$5,000 for a mutual agreement contract;

WHEREAS the tendering process for a contract above \$5,000 requires 3 written quotes;

WHEREAS Policy D-11, s. 7 provides an exception to the tendering process:

*Except for contracts where the estimated expenditure is equal to or above the thresholds established by the Act Respecting Contracting by Public Bodies, the Council of Commissioners may authorize the School Board, in exceptional circumstances and for legitimate reasons, to enter into a contract without following the tendering processes described herein.*

WHEREAS the English Montreal School Board is mandated by the MEQ to support the English School Boards of the province by providing itinerant teacher services to students with visual impairments;

WHEREAS the value of the contract is estimated at \$14,500 before taxes;

WHEREAS, as proposed by its resolution E-22/23-77, the Executive Committee recommends that Council approve the derogation request and enter into a mutual agreement contract with the English Montreal School Board to provide itinerant teacher services to the visually handicapped students at the Western Quebec School Board for the 2022-2023 school year;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Goldsbrough that, as recommended by the Executive Committee, Council approve the derogation request and enter into a mutual agreement contract with the English Montreal School Board to provide itinerant teacher services to the visually handicapped students at the Western Quebec School Board for the 2022-2023 school year.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-86**

**Derogation Request to Purchasing Policy No. D-11 to Enter into a Mutual Agreement with the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf (MOSD) for the 2022-2023 school year.**

**#22560G002**

WHEREAS the Western Québec School Board wishes to enter into a mutual agreement contract with the Montreal School for the Deaf for the 2022-2023 school year;

WHEREAS the contract start date is November 30, 2022, and the contract end date is November 29, 2023;

WHEREAS s. 6.4 Mutual Agreement Contract, the WQSB Purchasing Policy states that:

- a) The School Board may use a mutual agreement process for contracts of an estimated value below \$5,000;
- b) The School Board communicates directly with at least one supplier, indicating the good(s), service(s) or construction work(s) required and any other relevant information;
- c) Before entering into a contract by mutual agreement, the School Board must ensure that fair prices and conditions are obtained;

WHEREAS the value of this contract to be entered into by mutual agreement is above the threshold of \$5,000 for a mutual agreement contract;

WHEREAS the tendering process for a contract above \$5,000 requires 3 written quotes;

WHEREAS Policy D-11, s. 7 provides an exception to the tendering process:

*Except for contracts where the estimated expenditure is equal to or above the thresholds established by the Act Respecting Contracting by Public Bodies, the Council of Commissioners may authorize the School Board, in exceptional circumstances and for legitimate reasons, to enter into a contract without following the tendering processes described herein.*

WHEREAS the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf has provided integrated services for our students in the past and is the only firm who can provide this service to the WQSB;

WHEREAS the annual value of the contract is \$64,477;

WHEREAS, as proposed by its resolution E-22/23-78, the Executive Committee recommends that Council approve the derogation request and enter into a mutual agreement contract with the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf to provide integrated services to students at the Western Quebec School Board for the 2022-2023 school year;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Lyrette-Brennan that, as recommended by the Executive Committee, Council approve the derogation request and enter into a mutual agreement contract with the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf to provide integrated services to students at the Western Quebec School Board for the 2022-2023 school year and mandate the Director General to submit the Annexe 2 to the Treasury Board.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-87**

**Derogation request - 22500G001 - George Berwick Associates**

WHEREAS the Western Quebec School Board wishes to enter into a mutual agreement contract with George Berwick Associates for a period of 10 months. This is a professional services contract – Coaching for the WQSB senior team;

WHEREAS the contract start date is September 1, 2022 and the contract end date is June 30, 2023;

WHEREAS s. 6.4 Mutual Agreement Contract, the WQSB Purchasing Policy states that:

- a) The School Board may use a mutual agreement process for contracts of an estimated value below \$5,000;
- b) The School Board communicates directly with at least one supplier, indicating the good(s), service(s) or

construction work(s) required and any other relevant information;

- c) Before entering into a contract by mutual agreement, the School Board must ensure that fair prices and conditions are obtained.

WHEREAS the value of this contract to be entered into by mutual agreement is above the threshold of \$5,000 for a mutual agreement contract;

WHEREAS the tendering process for a contract above \$5,000 requires 3 written quotes;

WHEREAS Policy D-11, s. 7 provides an exception to the tendering process:

*Except for contracts where the estimated expenditure is equal to or above the thresholds established by the Act Respecting Contracting by Public Bodies, the Council of Commissioners may authorize the School Board, in exceptional circumstances and for legitimate reasons, to enter into a contract without following the tendering processes described herein.*

WHEREAS George Berwick Associates is the only firm who can provide this service to the WQSB as we have been using their intellectual work as a major contributor to our vision and success planning and succession;

WHEREAS the annual value of the contract will be within the signing authority of the Director General according to the WQSB's delegation of powers By-Law 30;

WHEREAS, as proposed by its resolution E-22/23-79, the Executive Committee recommends that Council authorize the derogation request to enter into a mutual agreement with George Berwick Associates, for a period of 10 months;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Labadie that, as recommended by the Executive Committee, Council authorize the derogation request to enter into a mutual agreement with George Berwick Associates, for a period of 10 months, at an approximate cost of 30, 000\$, and mandate the Director General to sign all documents and submit the Annexe 2 to the Treasury Board.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-88**

**Six-Year Transportation Contracts Negotiations 2022-2028**

WHEREAS the senior administration was given the mandate to negotiate by mutual agreement the transportation contracts with our different transportation carriers;

WHEREAS due to the difficult economic context and the environmental shifts that the transportation industry must make, carriers have requested an eight-year contract;

WHEREAS the government and the Federation of Transporters have agreed on a six-year contract term;

WHEREAS the administration has completed their negotiations by concluding a six-year contract, including a two-year (1+1) renewal option based on the terms, guidelines and budget parameters set by the Ministry;

WHEREAS the Executive Committee agrees with the following six-year contracts;

Baie Transport Inc.	\$3,426,353.64
Autobus LaSalle Inc.	\$2,763,722.59
Autobus La Petite Nation Inc.	\$1,203,173.64
Autobus Transbell Inc.	\$333,639.01

WHEREAS, as proposed by its resolution E-22/23-80, the Executive Committee recommends that Council approve the above-listed contracts including the terms set out in the mutual agreement;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Cornforth that as recommended by the Executive Committee, Council approve the above-listed contracts including the terms set out in the mutual agreement.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-89**

**Modification of the scope of the project - Greater Gatineau Elementary School - Extension request related to the 4-year-old kindergarten initiative**

WHEREAS resolution C-18/19-163 authorize the Director of Buildings to request an extension of 3 classrooms for the 4-year-old kindergarten initiative for Greater Gatineau Elementary School;

WHEREAS the MEQ has allocated from the PQI 2019-2029 a budget in the amount of \$3,870,602 for the addition of 3 K4 classrooms at Greater Gatineau Elementary School;

WHEREAS the building team is currently developing the plans and specifications with the professionals nominated by the resolutions C-21/22-44, C-21/22-45 and C-21/22-46;

WHEREAS the analyst in charge of the project at MEQ, the professionals and the buildings team believe that it would be more efficient to add a classroom to this project;



WHEREAS a formal project modification request must be sent to the MEQ to modify the scope of the project;

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Cornforth that a modification to the scope for the Greater Gatineau Elementary School extension project to add one classroom be approved.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-90**

**Parents' Committee Report – October 17, 2022**

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Taylor that Council acknowledge receipt of the Parents' Committee Minutes of October 17, 2022.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-91**

**SEAC Committee Report – October 20, 2022**

IT WAS MOVED by Parent-Commissioner Fortier that Council acknowledge receipt of the SEAC Committee Minutes of October 20, 2022.

Carried unanimously

**C-22/23-92**

**Adjournment**

IT WAS MOVED by Commissioner Brushey that the meeting be adjourned at 10:42 p.m.