

Approval of Minutes

May 29, 2024

Parent Commissioner Tara Anderson MOVED THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on May 29, 2024, having been received by all members prior to this meeting, be approved as written and exempt from public reading by the Secretary General.

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June 5, 2024

Commissioner Désirée Ramacieri MOVED THAT the minutes of the special meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on June 5, 2024, having been

*** Simply put, the School Elections Act does not currently prohibit a municipal elected official from running for a position as commissioner of an English-speaking school board. However, if this person were elected, he or she would become disqualified from exercising his or her functions at the municipal level under articles 300 and 318 of the LERM. It could therefore not combine both functions.***

The role of Chair requires leadership and management skills. An effective Chair is assertive, neutral, task-focused and aware of the big picture. A good Chair knows the boundary of his authority, and understands and respects privacy and confidentiality obligations.

Moreover, the Chair should have a strong and successful working relationship with the Council of Commissioners, the Board, principals, and the support of all schools. Before running for Chair, a candidate should consider what he could bring to the position.

1. Does Mr. Galati believe that he has an understanding of the schools, the communities, its direction and its needs? Is he prepared to be a role model in the school community for

The Interim Secretary General and Director of the Legal, Corporate and Communications Department presented the questions received from Mr. Kevin Gohier Emond, in writing prior to the meeting, as follows:

How did the sous-ministre de l'éducation react to the news that the City of Saint-Jérôme is not willing to cede land?

Has the sous-ministre de l'éducation given a position on how they can assist the SWLSB with the current situation of land?

The chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting noting that this is the final Council meeting of the 2023-2024 school year. This past school year has had its challenges, but through teamwork we have reached the end and will have a well-deserved rest during the summer break. He went on to present his monthly report as follows:

- x May 30, 2024 – Attended the 2024 Laurier Gala and Star Fest with some commissioners, parent commissioners, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier Foundation (SWLF) members. The evening was impressive with 200 students being honoured for their achievements in the arts, sports, academics, school perseverance and community involvement. The entertainment by the students, accompanied by the ECAP band, was spectacular. A big thank you to the following volunteers because this event would not have been possible without them:
 - x Nadia Anwar, Principal at Laurentian Regional High School;
 - x Claudia Giuliani, Coordinator of School Affairs and School Organization, and professional opera singer;
 - x Steve Ceccolini, SWLF Treasurer;
 - x Albe Passerelli, guitarist of ECAP Productions;
 - x Maxeen Jolin, Communications Coordinator;
 - x Susan O'Keeffe, Graphic Arts Technician from Communications.

A very special thank you is extended to Anthony Brien an alumni from Rosemère High School who each year works with the team to ensure proper sound during auditions and rehearsals.

- x June 7, 2024 – Attended the Franklin Hill Elementary School's 20th Anniversary celebration with Commissioners James Di Sano and Bob Pellerin. Congratulations to the school team and parent volunteers for making this celebration fun for all;

- x June 10, 2024 – Attended the *Model the Way* honours at Cinéma Cineplex Laval.
This event is held in partnership with Caisse Desjardins de Chomedey and celebrated eleven different Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board schools who demonstrated leadership in the school and the community. Approximately 200 students from grade five to secondary 5 were recognized for their efforts to improve the school community. A special thank you to the Pedagogical Services team, the students, and staff for their leadership;
- x June 13, 2024 – The 2024 SWLF Lobster Gala brought together 256 people and raised over \$50,000.00. The monies raised will be used to purchase sensory equipment for classrooms and sensory rooms; the equipment can be used by students of all ages;
- x June 19, 2024 – Attended the Premier of Québec's Fête Nationale barbeque on behalf of the Québec English School Board Association (QESBA) in his capacity as Vice-President;
- x June is graduation month throughout the school board, and congratulations are extended to all of the graduates whether in kindergarten, grade six or second five. He attended the following graduations with various members of the Council:
 - x June 14, 2024 – Hillcrest Academy and Morin Heights, Saint-Paul, and Saint-Vincent Elementary Schools;
 - x June 17, 2024 – Pierre Elliot Trudeau and Terry Fox Elementary Schools;
 - x June 18, 2024 – Genesis, Our Lady of Peace, and Souvenir Elementary Schools;
 - x June 20, 2024 – McCaig, Pinewood, and Saint-Jude Elementary Schools and CDC Vimont-Lachute;
 - x June 21, 2024 – Laurentia Elementary School

The Director of Human Resources advised that the Selection Committee was unanimous in its choice

Day, Time and Place of
Regular Meetings of the
Council of Commissioners
and the Executive
Committee 2024-2025

Council of Commissioners

Assistant Director of the Legal, Corporate and Communications Department, as its Contract Rules Compliance Monitor (RARC), effective July 6, 2024;

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

FURTHER THAT this resolution replaces resolution no. CC-220330-CA-0069.

Engagement of Contractor

Roof Renovation and
Ventilation Replacement
Project

John F. Kennedy

Mileage

First 5,000 km	\$0.62/km
Each additional km	\$0.55/km
Carpooling	\$0.78/km

Commissioner James Di Sano advised that the SWLF Lobster Gala held on June 13, 2024, was very successful and the evening raised \$50,000.00, for the kids. He wished the Council and Director ~~xxx~~

The chairperson thanked Ms. Nawaz noting that she is very inspirational.

Student Representative to Council, Kerry Chapman noted that he very much appreciated the experience of being a part of the CSC and being able to contribute to the future of the students, especially as he comes from the usually underrepresented Adult Education sector. He went on to highlight what the Adult Education sector has been doing during the 2023-2024 school year:

- x Numerous courses offered at CDC Vimont – Lachute such as English education, francization, and Social Integration Services Program (SIS);
- x More classes are being offered online during the day and in the evening;
- x Increased enrolment at CDC Vimont. Unfortunately, there has been a decrease in enrolment at CDC Lachute, but there are still 82 students registered. The sector is remaining hopeful that the adult centres will continue to expand, but it must be noted that this sector needs to be promoted and recognized as a great education alternative;
- x In November 2023, the teachers organized a rummage and bake sale to raise money for AGAPE; we raised \$500.00 through the bake sale;
- x Participated in a volleyball and a basketball tournament and won the Annual Adult/Voc Ed Co-ed Volleyball Tournament, which is amazing for a centre that does not have a gym;
- x Roxanne Brunet from CDC Lachute won Fondation Espoir Jeunesse d'Argenteuil writing contest;
- x Amy Bérubé from CDC Lachute won the Défi OSEntreprendre provincial competition for her article; (i)3.3 (4 Tw (educ)s)-5.3 (E)6.9 i217 09458 bereduc raised

