

CANADA

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

EASTERN SHORES SCHOOL BOARD

The regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board was held at the Administrative Office of the Board at 40 Mountsorrel, New Carlisle, Quebec on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at the hour of 9:30 a.m. The following persons were present:

COMMISSIONERS: W. Gifford Chairperson
M. E. Beaulieu (Video-Conference)
K. Eldridge, Vice-Chair (Video-Conference)
L. Martin
M. Clarke
G. Hayes
G. Briand
R. Mundle
K. Dickson

PARENT COMMISSIONER: K. Mackenzie
S. Wall (Video-Conference)
D. Martin (Video-Conference)

DIRECTOR GENERAL:
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL: S. Ward; Director of Finance
INTERIM SECRETARY GENERAL: M.A. Cooke

OTHERS: L. Mosher; Director of Education Services
D. Smith; Director of Human Resources
T. Renouf; Superintendent of Services
A. Guilbeault; Coordinator of Adult and Vocational Education Services
M. Howatson
G. Gagné, SPEC

ABSENT: D. Bourgouin, D. Gray, C. Carney, N. Joncas

Mr. Gifford, Chairperson, called this regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners to order and welcomed everyone present.

1. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No conflicts declared at this time.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

C19-06-406

It was moved by G. Briand that the agenda for this regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board be approved with the following addition to Varia:

English Parents Committee Association Request

CARRIED

3. **READING OF THE MINUTES**

3.1 **May 29, 2019**

C19-06-407

It was moved by K. Dickson that whereas the minutes of the special meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board held on May 29, 2019 were circulated six hours prior to the meeting in accordance with article 170 of the Education Act, the Secretary General be excused from the reading of same.

CARRIED

C19-06-408

It was moved by K. Dickson that the minutes of the special meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board held on May 29, 2019 be approved.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 Education Services Presentation

The Director of Education Services, L. Mosher, gave a verbal update on several dossiers.

- Full-time Pre-K
- Two 20 minute recesses
- Measures: Parascolaire
À l'école on bouge
- Special Education dossier
- Plan Numerique
- RSEC
- Math Camp
- Duke of Edinburgh program

Commissioner Beaulieu informed Council of a BCHS student who, at a national level, won second place in the Annual Remembrance Day Literary Contest.

4.2 Organizational Plan for Management

Tabled

4.3 Flemming Feasibility Study

To be seen under Item 7.2

4.4 Land: New Richmond, Hopetown and Percé

4.4.1 New Richmond

C19-06-409

It was moved by L. Martin that the piece of land registered under lot 5 017 394 located on the Range 4 East in the municipality of New Richmond be sold; and

That the process to sell said lot be mandated to the Societe Québécoise des Infrastructure in its entirety.

CARRIED

4.4.2 Hope Town

C19-06-410

It was moved by G. Briand that that the piece of land registered under lot 5523-54-2941-0-000-00005 017 394 located on Route 132 West in the Municipality of Hope Town be sold; and

That the process to sell said lot be mandated to the Societe Québécoise des Infrastructure in its entirety.

CARRIED

4.4.3 Percé

C19-06-411

It was moved by G. Briand to strike a committee composed of the following members to study the Percé School House dossier:

Mr. Wade Gifford	Margaret- Ann Cooke
Mr. Gary Briand	Trevor Renouf
Mr. Ron Mundle	

CARRIED

4.5 Notice of Motion to amend By-Law 8

Commissioner G. Briand gave notice of motion that, at the August meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board to be held on August 20, 2019 an amendment to the by-law for the time, date and place of Board meetings will be presented.

4.6 Future of North Shore Schools: Flemming, QEHS and Northern Lights

WHEREAS the Buildings Committee met to discuss the future of Flemming, Northern Lights and Queen Elizabeth High School;

WHEREAS the need to strike an ad hoc planning committee was recommended;

WHEREAS the recommended members of the committee were suggested as follows:
Four (4) commissioners including the chair and two (2) board staff.

WHEREAS the ad hoc committee will consult with the Buildings Committee and submit its findings;

C19-06-412

It was moved by M. Clarke that the Chair be mandated to name the individuals who will sit on the ad hoc committee and study the needs of the future of Flemming, Northern Lights and Queen Elizabeth High School.

CARRIED

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 Concordia University Letter

A letter was received from Concordia University asking that schools in Quebec adopt a revised curriculum that would include the basic facts about climate change. (Letter on file)

5.2 Thank you cards (2) Baie-Comeau High School Students

A card was received from BCHS students and staff thanking the Board for approving their trip to England. Another student sent in a card thanking commissioners for their generosity. (Cards on file)

5.2.1 Encounters with Canada

Three students who attended Encounters with Canada during the 2018-2019 school year sent in a card expressing their gratitude. (Card on file)

5.3 Thank you card from Bâtir ma Région

A thank you card was received from Carrefour Jeunesse-emploi MRC Côte de Gaspé thanking partners for their support in Bâtir ma Région. (Card on file)

5.4 MEES Correspondence

A letter was received from the MEES informing the school board of the amount allocated for the Measure *Location d'immeubles* for 2018-2019. (Document on file)

5.5 Regulation respecting free Instructional Material and certain financial contributions that may be required.

Bill 12 was approved on June 7, 2019 and comes into force on July 1, 2019. The "Regulation Respecting Free Instructional Material and Certain Contributions that may be Required", was published in the Gazette Officielle du Quebec on June 8, 2019. This regulation also comes into force on July 1, 2019.

5.6 Decree regarding 2 twenty minute recesses

Amendment to the Basic School Regulations to specify that the two recreation periods; one in the morning and one in the afternoon be a minimum of 20 minutes. Comes into force on July 1, 2019

5.7 Pat Drohan- offer of delegate services to RSEQ- Est-du-Quebec

Mr. Drohan has offered his services to represent ESSB at the RSEQ Est-du-Quebec sports table. We have not received renewal information from this organization at this time.

5.8 Nomination of ME Beaulieu to the North Shore Regional Committee

C19-06- 413

It was moved by G. Briand to ratify the nomination of Mary Ellen Beaulieu to sit on the North Shore Regional Committee for the Program of Access to Health Services and Social Services in the English Language.

CARRIED

5.9 QESBA – Director and Executive Committee delegates and Award of Merit

C19-06-414

It was moved by K. Eldridge that Wade Gifford be nominated to the Executive Committee of QESBA; and

It was further resolved that Mike Clarke be nominated to the Board of Directors of QESBA.

CARRIED

5.10 Resignation Letter

A letter was received from Commissioner Darryl Gray on June 17, 2019 stating his resignation as commissioner of Ward 3, effective immediately.

6. PUBLIC / STAFF PRESENTATIONS

6.1 International Students Dossier

M. Mcrae gave a verbal update on the International Students file. At this time, 40 applicants have registered in three different programs. Until the validation process with the two levels of Government have been received, no official number may be confirmed. Ms. McRae is confident that a majority of applicants will be approved to study in Canada.

A ten-minute break was called at this time.

6.2 Adult and Vocational Education Update

Ms. Guilbeault presented a PowerPoint for commissioners outlining her plans for Adult and Vocational Education in ESSB's centers. (Document on file)

6.3 RSEC update

Ms. Guilbeault gave commissioners an update about RSEC and presented the schedule to them.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 Human Resources Committee

Ms. Smith distributed an information document to Council. Mr. Briand, Chair of the Human Resources Committee deferred questions to Ms. Smith.

7.2 Buildings Committee

7.2.1 Flemming Feasibility Study

Mr. Renouf informed Council of the results of the feasibility study for Flemming School. The costs to build a new gymnasium to the school would be at a cost of approximately \$5.5 Million dollars. In order to build a new gym, the building would need to be put up to code at approximately another \$3-4 million. Following this information, the Building Committee recommended that a hold be put on this dossier.

Upon viewing of the Building Committee agenda, Mr. Gifford excused himself from the discussions as a conflict of interest with the Water Testing contracts came to his attention. 11:57

7.2.2 Water Testing Contracts

C19-06-415 It was moved by M. Clarke to grant a one-year contract to Devin Gifford in the amount of \$ 14,000.00 plus tax to test the water in Escuminac, Shigawake, Belle Anse and Wakeham. The contract includes two tests per month and in the event of a bad test, the Travel Policy ES-233 comes into effect for the reimbursement of expenses.

CARRIED

Following this decision, Mr. Gifford was asked to re-enter the room.

C19-06-416 It was moved by G. Briand to grant a one year contract to Annick Petitpas in the amount of \$ 8,500.00 to complete the water testing in Grosse Ile School and the gymnasium.

CARRIED

7.2.3 Janitor Contracts

C19-06-417 It was moved by M. Clarke to approve the following janitorial contracts for a one-year period:

- Evrest Service Entretien 9151-3713 Quebec Inc. at Metis Beach School in the amount of \$92,400 plus taxes;
- David Mann at Escuminac School in the amount of \$37,916.84 plus taxes;
- Orley Devouge at Belle Anse School in the amount of \$24,500 no taxes;
- Ent. STP 9253-4999 Quebec Inc. at Riverview in the amount of \$38,448 plus taxes

CARRIED

7.3 Sports Committee

Mr. Pat Drohan, president of the Sports Committee submitted the annual report and minutes as well as other documents coming from the AGM held in Percé on June 10-11, 2019. Commissioner Mundle, spoke about the event and made mention of the attendance.

8. DECISION ITEMS

8.1 Three year plan of Immoveables

WHEREAS the 2019-2022 Three Year Plan of Immoveables with distributed for Consultation on May 15, 2019;

WHEREAS no comments were received from this consultation;

C19-06-418 It was moved by G. Briand to approve the 2019-2022 Three Year Plan of Immoveables as presented. (Document on file)

CARRIED

8.2 Autorisation du Dirigeant

C19-06-419 It was moved by R. Mundle to approve the "*Déclaration du Dirigeant de l'organisme*", a document included in the "*Règlement relative à la délégation de fonctions devant être exercées par le dirigeant de l'organisme selon la Loi les contrats des organismes public*" and that the Chairperson, Wade Gifford sign for and in the name of Eastern Shores School Board.

CARRIED

8.3 NSCA CLC Letter of understanding

C19-06-420 It was moved by K. Eldridge to approve the letter of Understanding between ESSB and NSCA for the use of Video Conferencing Equipment in Riverview and Fermont Schools. (Copy on file)

CARRIED

9. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Mr. Gifford gave a verbal summary of his activities since the last meeting.

10. **ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL'S REPORT**

Ms. Ward had no new items to bring to the attention of the Council.

11. **QUESTION PERIOD**

Mr. Gifford offered the floor to Mr. Gagné. Mr. Gagné requested permission to meet with Mr. Gifford following the adjournment of the meeting.

12. **DATES OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Council and Executive meetings will be held on August 20, 2019 at 6:00 and 6:30 p.m. respectively. A working session is being considered for August 19, 2019.

13. **VARIA**

13.1 **English Parents' Committee Association Request**

The English Parents' Committee Association English Parents' Committee Association has asked members to share information about the formation of a human chain in schools to show support for EMSB. Commissioners were favorable to the initiative.

14. **IN-CAMERA**

C19-06-421

It was moved by R. Mundle to move In-Camera at 12:29 p.m.

CARRIED

C19-06-422

It was moved by M. Clarke to move out of In-Camera at 12:40 p.m.

CARRIED

Following the conclusion of the In-Camera session the following motion was adopted:

14.1 **Release and Transaction**

WHEREAS following consultation with the Council of Commissioners, the Chairperson was mandated to negotiate an agreement with Employee 1133;

WHEREAS said employee has accepted the terms and conditions set out in the release and transaction document;

C19-06-423

IT WAS MOVED BY G. Briand that the Board approve the ratification of the release and transaction between Eastern Shores School Board and Employee 1133 (confidential document on file)

CARRIED

15. **ADJOURNMENT at 12:42 P.M.**

C19-06-424

It was moved by R. Mundle that there being no further business the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

Secretary General

Chairperson