

CANADA

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

EASTERN SHORES SCHOOL BOARD

The regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board was held at Motel Fraser situated at 325 Route 132, Chandler, Québec on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at the hour of 9:15 a.m. The following persons were present:

COMMISSIONERS: W. Gifford Chairperson
M. E. Beaulieu
M. O'Brien
J. McWhirter
K. Ward
G. Hayes
D. Hunt
D. Bourgouin
K. Dickson

PARENT COMMISSIONER: K. Mackenzie
R. Stewart (online) 9:45
J. Bizeau (online)
R. Di Tanna (online)

DIRECTOR GENERAL: D. Simoneau
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL: J. Bradbury; Assistant Director General
and Director of Adult and Vocational
Education

SECRETARY GENERAL: D. Gauthier

OTHERS: S. Ward; Director of Finance
M. Hayes-Dow; Director of Information Technology, School
Organization and Transportation
D. Foltin; Director of Education Services

ABSENT: R. Mundle, M. Syvret-Caplin sent their regrets.

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

1. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No conflicts were declared at this time.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

C23-10-045

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

- 12.1 Authorization to Sign- Land Purchase
- 12.2 RSEQ Est-du-Québec Representative

CARRIED

3. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3.1 Reading of the Minutes

3.1.1 August 22, 2023

C23-10-046 It was moved by K. Ward that whereas the minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board held on August 22, 2023, 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

3.1.2 September 1, 2023

C23-10-047 It was moved by M.E. Beaulieu that whereas the minutes of the special meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board held on September 1, 2023, 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

3.2 Approval of the Minutes

3.2.1 August 22, 2023

C23-10-048 It was moved by D. Hunt that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board held on August 22, 2023, be approved.
CARRIED

3.2.2 September 1, 2023

C23-10-049 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 September 1, 2023, be approved.
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

No Items

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 Ministère du Conseil exécutif – Collaboration and Sharing of Information

A letter was received asking the school board to collaborate with a company that was hired to survey the fibre optic cables that School Boards own with a view to improving cell phone coverage. A copy of the letter was received and placed on file.

5.2 Declaration of Appeal

The school board was served with a Declaration of Appeal regarding the findings of Judge Lussier and Bill 40. A copy of the document was received and placed on file.

6. CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Gifford gave a verbal report of his activities during the past month. He asked that commissioners notify when they will not be present at the in-person meetings by ensuring that the online forms filled out.

The Chair requested that Commissioners send him an email by Monday, October 9, 2023, with one subject they would like to see improve in the school board.

7. DIRECTOR GENERAL'S REPORT

Ms. Simoneau briefly presented her 41-page report. Included was a short video about a regional vocational skills project. The Director General's report was received and placed on file.

8. SPECIAL NEEDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE / CENTRAL PARENTS COMMITTEE

Two new parents are interested in the SNAC Committee. The first meeting of the committee should be in October.

The Central Parents Committee have not items at this time.

9. RESOLUTION ITEMS

9.1 Commissioners' remuneration

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board is composed of ten (10) commissioners, one (1) Chair and four (4) Parent Commissioners.

WHEREAS the Quebec Government decree #1164-2023, dated July 12, 2023, establishes the annual maximum amounts of remuneration to be paid to Commissioners who are members of the Council of Commissioners.

WHEREAS commissioners received a presentation detailing the maximum annual amounts for the 2023-2024 school year in a working session.

WHEREAS the total maximum annual amount allocated to Commissioners for 2023-2024 school year is \$ 142,357.00.

C23-10-050

IT WAS MOVED by D. Bourgouin that the Council of Commissioners of Eastern Shores School Board adopt the 2023-2024 distribution of the Commissioners remuneration as presented.

CARRIED

9.2 Transportation Agreement – CSS Chic-Chocs

C23-10-051

It was moved by K. Mackenzie to enter into a student transportation agreement with the Centre de services scolaire des Chic-Chocs for the 2023-2024 school year in the amount of \$ 216,809.42.

It was further resolved to authorise the Director General, Denise Simoneau to sign said agreement for and in the name of Eastern Shores School Board.

CARRIED

9.3 RCGIM – Delegate

C23-10-052

It was moved by K. Ward to nominate Jane Bradbury to sit at Le Réseau collectif de communications électroniques et d'outils de gestion Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine for the 2023-2024 school year.

CARRIED

9.4 Contract – Ethics Commissioner

WHEREAS the contract with the Ethics Commissioner has expired.

WHEREAS in accordance with paragraph 2 of article 2 in the contract between Eastern Shores School Board and the Ethics Commissioner, at the end of the term the Ethics Commissioner remains in office until his appointment is renewed by resolution of the Council or a new Ethics Commissioner is appointed by resolution of Council:

C23-10-053 **IT WAS MOVED** by M.E. Beaulieu to enter into a contract with Mr. Donatien Grenier to as Ethics Commissioner for a two-year period effective from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2025.

CARRIED

9.5 Sale of Bus – Public tender

C23-10-054 It was moved by M. O'Brien that the school board publish a call to tender for the sale of bus No. 725, a 2018 International PB105 and

That the D. Simoneau, Director General be authorised to sign and all documentation pertaining to the sale.

CARRIED

9.5.1 Director of Human Resources

Mr. Gifford and Ms. Simoneau provide a status report on the file at this time.

9.6 Transfert de contrat – Autobus Synnott Inc.

ATTENDU QUE la Commission scolaire Eastern Shores a conclu une entente de transport scolaire avec Transport Russel Langlais & fils Inc. soit le 2022-TRLF;

ATTENDU QUE la compagnie Transport Russel Langlais & fils Inc a été achetée par Autobus Synnott inc. et que le transfert de propriété entre en vigueur le 24 aout 2023;

ATTENDU QUE Autobus Synnott inc. s'engage à respecter les conditions prévues à l'entente conclue auprès de Transport Russel Langlais & fils Inc pour toute la durée de l'entente;

ATTENDU QUE le comité du transport a émis la recommandation d'approuver le transfert du contrat 2022-TRLF présentement conclus auprès de Transport Russel Langlais & fils Inc depuis le 14 septembre 2022 vers Autobus Synnott inc.

C23-10-055 **IL EST PROPOSÉ** par G. Hayes d'approuver le transfert du contrat 2022-TRLF conclus auprès de Transport Russel Langlais & fils Inc vers Autobus Synnott inc. à compter du 24 août 2023; et

QUE D. Simoneau, directrice générale, soit autorisé à signer pour et au nom de la Commission scolaire Eastern Shores tout documents relatifs au transfert de contrats susmentionné.

APPROVÉE

9.7. Adoption des circonscriptions électorales

ATTENDU qu'un projet de division du territoire a été présenté au conseil des commissaires lors de la réunion ordinaire tenue le 20 juin 2023 et approuvé par la résolution C23-06-008;

ATTENDU qu'un avis public a été publié indiquant la proposition des divisions électorales de la Commission scolaire Eastern Shores;

ATTENDU qu'aucun avis contraire n'a été reçu concernant la proposition des divisions électorales;

ATTENDU que le nombre minimal d'électeurs par circonscription est 322, et que la circonscription 10 en a seulement 316 électeurs;

ATTENDU que la circonscription 10 est une circonscription d'exception;

ATTENDU que la circonscription 10 est une île qui est seulement accessible par avion ou par bateau et qu'elle à 13 heures de route de la circonscription le plus près,

C23-10-056

IL EST RÉSOLU par commissaire K. Dickson que la proposition des divisions électorales de la Commission scolaire Eastern Shores soit approuvée telle quelle avec une circonscription en exception.

APPROVÉE

10. QUESTION PERIOD

No Items

11. DATES OF NEXT MEETING

11.1 November 14, 2023 (Hybrid)

Executive: 6:15 p.m.

Council: 6:30 p.m.

12. VARIA

Achat de Terrain – Signature Autorisée

ATTENDU QUE la Commission scolaire Eastern Shores (CSES) a un projet de construction d'une nouvelle école à New Carlisle;

ATTENDU QUE l'ampleur du projet nécessite l'acquisition d'un terrain adjacent;

ATTENDU QUE le vendeur et la Commission scolaire Eastern Shores ont signé la promesse bilatérale de vente et d'achat d'un immeuble connu et désigné comme étant une partie du lot 4 933 759 du cadastre du Québec, Bonaventure Québec, circonscription foncière de Bonaventure 1 situé sur la rue Dover à New Carlisle, Québec pour la somme de 70,000.00 \$ avant taxes si applicable;

ATTENDU QU'en date d'aujourd'hui, la vérification diligente et l'évaluation environnementale sont terminées et les résultats sont satisfaisants;

C23-10-057

IL EST PROPOSÉ par G. Hayes d'autoriser la directrice générale, Denise Simoneau, à signer pour et au nom de la Commission scolaire Eastern Shores tous les documents nécessaires à l'achat de ce lot et que la commission scolaire procède au paiement de 70,000.00 \$.

APPROVÉE

12.2 RSEQ -Est-du-Québec Representative

C23-10-058 It was moved by K. Mackenzie to delegate Marie-Claude Brulotte as a representative from ESSB for the elementary level on the RSEQ Est-de-Québec table.

CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT AT 10:32 A.M.

C23-10-059 It was moved by K. Mackenzie that, there being no further business, the meeting adjourns.

CARRIED

Secretary General

Chairperson