



Approved minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Central Québec School Board held on Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Eastern Québec Learning Centre, 3005 rue William Stuart, Québec (Québec) G1W 1V4.

Present:	Stephen Burke	Chairman
	Heather Clibbon	Commissioner
	Sara Downs	Commissioner (telephone; joined meeting at 7:19 p.m.)
	Christian Falle	Parent Commissioner
	Debbie Ford-Caron	Commissioner (telephone; joined meeting at 7:17 p.m.)
	Chantal Guay	Commissioner (videoconference)
	Kevin Jack	Commissioner
	Wyna Marois	Commissioner
	Esther Paradis	Commissioner
	Stephen Pigeon	Director General
	Patsy Poulin	Parent Commissioner (videoconference)
	Jean Robert	Vice-Chairman
	Jo Rosenhek	Commissioner
	Aline Visser	Commissioner
Absent:	Isabel Béland	Parent Commissioner
	Stephen Nellis	Parent Commissioner
	Jo-Ann Toulouse	Commissioner
In attendance:	Laurent Després	Outgoing Director of Financial Services, Buildings and Equipment
	Gina Farnell	Director of Complementary Educational Services
	François Garon	Computer Technician
	Pierrette Laliberté	Director of Human Resources and Assistant Director General
	Yves Lorange	Incoming Director of Financial Services, Buildings and Equipment
	Patti L. Moore	Secretary General
	Marty Patterson	President, CQTA
	Mark Sutherland	Director of Instructional Services

15-08.01 Call to order

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and officially welcomed Mr. Yves Lorange, incoming Director of Financial Services, Buildings and Equipment.

15-08.02 Approval of the agenda

It was MOVED by A. Visser, SECONDED by P. Poulin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the agenda be approved with one addition: 12 d) QESBA 12 -Year Award.

15-08.03

Public question period

M. Patterson asked the Chairman if the Council of Commissioners had read the proposed collective agreement of teaching, professional and support staff sent by the Management Negotiating Committee for English-language School Boards (CPNCA) in January and if so, whether they were in agreement. S. Burke stated that as the document was adopted by all nine English Boards, no further comments would be forthcoming. He encouraged negotiation with the government.

M. Patterson queried whether the Council of Commissioners had received feedback from the management team over the summer months. S. Burke responded that no discussions have yet taken place. S. Burke further stated that he has great respect for all teachers and knows that they will treat our students well through this challenging process.

15-08.04

Question Period for Students

No students were present.

15-08.05

Correspondence from Students

No correspondence was received.

15-08.06

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 19, 2015

It was MOVED by J. Rosenhek, SECONDED by P. Poulin and RESOLVED; THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners held on Friday, June 15, 2015 be accepted as circulated.

H. Clibbon, W. Marois, E. Paradis and C. Guay abstained from voting.

15-08.07

Business arising from the minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

15-08.08

Report from the Chairman

The Chairman had sent a report to commissioners that addressed the following:

- *Chapeau les filles* - June 22nd, 2015
- CSBA in Saskatoon - July 1st to 4th, 2015
- QESBA Brief to the Election System Study Panel - July 10th, 2015
- Election Systems Study Panel Hearings - July 17th and August 11th, 2015
- Agenda Meeting - August 10th, 2015
- Tax Letter 2015
- Chairman beginning of the year message

15-08.09

Director General's Report

The Director General formally addressed the Council and provided a report on the following items:

- a) Negotiations
- b) CQSB Induction Week for New Teachers
- c) Principals' and Vice-Principals' Meeting
- d) Report on Leaves of Absence / Resignations, etc.
- e) June Examination
- f) Labour Relations Committees
 - i) Senior Staff of Service – Directors, Coordinators and Management Staff
 - ii) Senior Staff of Schools and Centre – Principals
 - iii) Teachers
 - iv) Professionals
 - v) Support Staff

15-08.10

New Business

- a) Budget Management Process 2015-2016 - Youth Sector (adoption)

WHEREAS section 96.25 of the Education Act stipulates that school principals are to be consulted on school board policies;

WHEREAS sections 78.3 and 193.9 of the Education Act provide for consultation of school governing boards and the Parents' Committee on various matters concerning the organization of services provided by the School Board;

WHEREAS section 275 of the Education Act stipulates that "the school board shall make public the objectives and principles governing the allocation of subsidies, school tax proceeds and other revenues among its educational institutions as well as the criteria pertaining thereto";

WHEREAS the Central Québec School Board determines these objectives and principles annually in the Budget Management Process;

WHEREAS the draft Budget Management Process – Youth Sector for the 2015-2016 school year was accepted in principle by the Council of Commissioners on March 25, 2015;

WHEREAS appropriate consultation has taken place;

It was MOVED by W. Marois, SECONDED by A. Visser and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Council of Commissioners accept the Budget Management Process – Youth Sector for the 2015-2016 school year as in **Appendix 1** to the minutes.

New Business (continued)b) Budget Management Process 2015-2016 - Adult and Vocational Sector (adoption)

WHEREAS section 110.13 of the Education Act stipulates that centre principals are to be consulted on school board policies;

WHEREAS section 110.3 of the Education Act provides for consultation of centre governing boards on various matters concerning the organization of services provided by the School Board;

WHEREAS section 275 of the Education Act stipulates that “the school board shall make public the objectives and principles governing the allocation of subsidies, school tax proceeds and other revenues among its educational institutions as well as the criteria pertaining thereto”;

WHEREAS the Central Québec School Board determines these principles and objectives annually in the Budget Management Process;

WHEREAS the draft Budget Management Process for the 2015-2016 school year was accepted in principle by the Council of Commissioners on March 25, 2015;

WHEREAS appropriate consultation has taken place;

It was MOVED by J. Robert, SECONDED by J. Rosenhek and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Council of Commissioners accept the Budget Management Process – Adult and Vocational Education Sector for the 2015-2016 school year as in **Appendix 2** to the minutes.

c) Adoption of the 2015-2016 Operating, Capital and Debt Service Budget

WHEREAS as specified by the Education Act, the Central Québec School Board must adopt and submit to the *ministère de l'Éducation, de l'Enseignement supérieur et de la Recherche* (MEESR) its Operating, Capital Investment, and Debt Service Budget for the 2015-2016 school year;

WHEREAS the draft budget shows a deficit of \$281,792 for the year;

WHEREAS this deficit represents the limit of accumulated surplus appropriation for our School Board;

WHEREAS in a letter dated July 7, 2015 the MEESR authorized our School Board to adopt a budget where expenses exceeded revenues for 2015-2016 by no more than \$281,792

It was MOVED by K. Jack, SECONDED by H. Clibbon and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Operating, Capital Investment and Debt Service Budget for the 2015-2016 school year be approved and submitted to the *ministère de l'Éducation, de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche*.

New Business (continued)d) Adoption of the 2015-2016 Gross and Net Taxation Rates

WHEREAS as specified by the Education Act, the Central Québec School Board must set the school tax rate at the time of the adoption of the budget of the school board;

WHEREAS the budgetary projections set the gross taxation rate at \$0.35 per \$100.00 of real evaluation;

WHEREAS this rate is determined by the *ministère de l'Éducation, de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche* and is the maximum established in the Education Act;

WHEREAS the budgetary projections set the net taxation rate at \$0.30730 per \$100.00 of real evaluation;

It was MOVED by J. Rosenhek, SECONDED by C. Guay and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the gross and net taxation rates be adopted as presented.

e) Adoption of the Interest Rate on Outstanding Tax Accounts

WHEREAS the Education Act requires school boards to collect school taxes and to charge interest on outstanding accounts;

WHEREAS section 316 of the Education Act stipulates that the interest rate payable on school taxes is fixed by the School Board;

It was MOVED by W. Marois, SECONDED by A. Visser and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT pursuant to Section 316 of the Education Act (R.S.Q. ch I-13-3), the Central Québec School Board set an interest rate of 14.5% on overdue tax accounts for the 2015-2016 school year.

f) Eastern Québec Learning Centre: Entente with Jeffrey Hale-Saint Brigid's

WHEREAS the Eastern Québec Learning Centre offers the Health Assistance and Nursing Program which includes several internships for students;

WHEREAS a formal agreement must be signed between the Central Québec School Board and the *Hôpital Jeffrey Hale-Saint Brigid's*;

WHEREAS the *Hôpital Jeffrey Hale-Saint Brigid's* has agreed to provide students with the opportunity to carry out their internships in their establishments;

It was MOVED by H. Clibbon, SECONDED by E. Paradis and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Central Québec School Board enter into an agreement with the *Hôpital Jeffrey Hale-Saint Brigid's* in order to enable Central Québec students in the Health Assistance and Nursing program to carry out their internships; and

THAT the Director General be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the School Board.

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New Business (continued)

- g) Eastern Québec Learning Centre: Entente with Regroupé au CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale

WHEREAS the Eastern Québec Learning Centre offers the Health Assistance and Nursing Program which includes several internships for students;

WHEREAS a formal agreement must be signed between the Central Québec School Board and the *Regroupé au CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale*;

WHEREAS the *Regroupé au CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale* has agreed to provide students with the opportunity to carry out their internships in their establishments;

It was MOVED by C. Guay, SECONDED by J. Robert and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Central Québec School Board enter into an agreement with the *Regroupé au CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale* in order to enable Central Québec students in the Health Assistance and Nursing program to carry out their internships; and

THAT the Director General be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the School Board.

- h) Eastern Québec Learning Centre: Entente with Champlain des Montagnes residence

WHEREAS the Eastern Québec Learning Centre offers the Health Assistance and Nursing Program which includes several internships for students;

WHEREAS a formal agreement must be signed between the Central Québec School Board and the *Champlain des Montagnes residence*;

WHEREAS the *Champlain des Montagnes residence* has agreed to provide students with the opportunity to carry out their internships in their establishments;

It was MOVED by J. Rosenhek, SECONDED by C. Guay and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Central Québec School Board enter into an agreement with the *Champlain des Montagnes residence* in order to enable Central Québec students in the Health Assistance and Nursing program to carry out their internships; and

THAT the Director General be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the School Board.

New Business (continued)i) Formation of a Selection Committee: Bank of Professionals

WHEREAS the Central Québec School Board wishes to constitute lists of professionals, architects and engineers, for future building repair and renovation projects for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018 for the following regions:

- Saguenay/Chibougamau region
- Mauricie/Thetford Mines region
- Québec City region

WHEREAS work would be assigned to the firms on a rotating basis;

WHEREAS in accordance with the Act respecting contracting by public bodies and the Regulation respecting service contracts of public bodies stipulate that for professional services, selection committees must be formed to analyze tenders for professional services;

It was MOVED by W. Marois, SECONDED by H. Clibbon and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT a Selection Committee be formed for the purpose of analyzing tenders for the services of architectural and engineering firms that will be consigned to a list of professionals to which will be assigned work for building repair and renovation projects during the three-year period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018; and

THAT a Selection Committee be formed of (a member of AC: to be determined), the Coordinator of Buildings and Equipment, the Secretary General as secretary for the committee and commissioner W. Marois.

j) Interim Principalship: La Tuque High School

WHEREAS the Principal of La Tuque High School is on sick leave for an undetermined period;

WHEREAS Mr. Jason Barwise and Mrs. Sarah-Lynn Doucette were released for part of their teaching duties to assume responsibilities as Vice-Principal during the absence of the principal from April 2015 to June 30, 2015;

WHEREAS the above assignment ended on June 30, 2015;

WHEREAS there is a need to assume this leadership position during the Principal's prolonged absence;

WHEREAS Mr. Jason Barwise, teacher at La Tuque High School and acting part-time Vice-Principal since April 2015, has demonstrated his abilities to assume the interim appointment as Principal of La Tuque High School;

New Business (continued)

j) Interim Principalship: La Tuque High School (continued)

WHEREAS the Policy on Recruitment, Selection and Hiring states the following, under article 5.7 "The Council of Commissioners may agree to waive all or part of the Recruitment, Selection and Hiring Policy for Senior Executives, Senior Staff of Services and Senior Staff of Schools for part-time or temporary position of 6 months or less and positions of 50% or less throughout the school year"

WHEREAS the appointment of Mr. Jason Barwise is for a period of less than 6 months;

It was MOVED by E. Paradis, SECONDED by J. Rosenhek and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT Mr. Jason Barwise be appointed as Interim Principal of La Tuque High School, effective July 1, 2015 and until further notice, but for a period of 6 months or less.

k) Jeffrey Hale Memorial Project

WHEREAS Jeffery Hale's contribution to the Québec City, English-Speaking community - including the education system - was generous, significant, far-reaching and long-lasting;

WHEREAS the majority of projects supported or initiated by Jeffery Hale continue to this day;

WHEREAS the Jeffery Hale Foundation - as well as seven other community organisations - have pledged their help in restoring Jeffery Hale's tomb at the Woodbury Park Cemetery in England - which would include steps, a path, and a memorial bench;

WHEREAS the Foundation is seeking a donation in order to include the Central Québec School Board in the project (a minimum of \$500);

It was MOVED by H. Clibbon, SECONDED by K. Jack and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT as an exceptional measure, due to the extraordinary contribution that Jeffery Hale made to all sectors of life in Québec, including the Education system, the Council of Commissioners of the Central Québec School Board feels honour-bound to support this project; and

THAT the Central Québec School Board contribute \$500 to the project; and

THAT the Central Québec School Board logo be included on the memorial bench.

New Business (continued)1) Acceptance of Major Renovation Projectsi. Hiring of a Contractor: A.S. Johnson Memorial School - boiler repairs

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners mandated the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman, in collaboration with the Director General or the Assistant Director General, to authorize all necessary decisions during the summer months (June 20, 2015 - August 19, 2015);

WHEREAS the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman, in collaboration with the Director General or the Assistant Director General, were authorized to sign all documents pertaining to contracts to be concluded during the summer months, within the adopted budget;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners mandated the Director General to report all decisions to the Council of Commissioners at the August 19, 2015 regular meeting;

WHEREAS the School Board had reserved part of the *Maintien des bâtiments* budget for the A.S. Johnson Memorial School boiler room repairs;

WHEREAS plans and specifications were prepared and a public call for tenders for general contractors was placed on SEAO (*Système électronique des appels d'offres du gouvernement du Québec*) on June 1st, 2015 and opened on June 22nd, 2015;

WHEREAS the architect and the engineers recommended that the tender be accepted as it met the requirements and specifications of the project;

It was MOVED by A. Visser, SECONDED by J. Robert and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Council of Commissioners ratify the decision to accept the tender that met the specifications for the A.S. Johnson Memorial School boiler room repairs (919, rue Mooney Ouest, Thetford Mines (Québec) G6G 6H3) as submitted by Descimco (415 rue Adanac, Québec (Québec) G1C 6B9) in the amount of \$129,915.00 (taxes not included).

ii. Hiring of a Contractor: Valcartier Elementary School - exterior siding and windows

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners mandated the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman, in collaboration with the Director General or the Assistant Director General, to authorize all necessary decisions during the summer months (June 20, 2015 - August 19, 2015);

New Business (continued)1) Acceptance of Major Renovation Projects (continued)ii. Hiring of a Contractor: Valcartier Elementary School - exterior siding and windows (continued)

WHEREAS the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman, in collaboration with the Director General or the Assistant Director General, were authorized to sign all documents pertaining to contracts to be concluded during the summer months, within the adopted budget;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners mandated the Director General to report all decisions to the Council of Commissioners at the August 19, 2015 regular meeting;

WHEREAS the School Board had reserved part of the *Maintien des bâtiments* budget for the Valcartier Elementary School's exterior siding and windows;

WHEREAS three contractors were invited to submit tenders for the Valcartier Elementary School: exterior siding and windows and two quotes were received;

WHEREAS the architect recommended that the tender be accepted as it met the requirements and specifications of the project;

It was MOVED by J. Rosenhek, SECONDED by K. Jack and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Council of Commissioners ratify the decision to accept the tender that met the specifications for the Valcartier Elementary School exterior siding and windows project (1748, boulevard Valcartier, St-Gabriel-de-Valcartier (Québec) G0A 4S0) as submitted by Durand Construction (1220, boulevard Lebourgneuf, #25; Québec (Québec) G2K 2G4) in the amount of \$75,493.00 (taxes not included).

iii. Selection of Contractors for the Implementation of a Preventive Maintenance Program 2015-2018

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners mandated the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman, in collaboration with the Director General or the Assistant Director General, to authorize all necessary decisions during the summer months (June 20, 2015 - August 19, 2015);

WHEREAS the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman, in collaboration with the Director General or the Assistant Director General, were authorized to sign all documents pertaining to contracts to be concluded during the summer months, within the adopted budget;

WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners mandated the Director General to report all decisions to the Council of Commissioners at the August 19, 2015 regular meeting;

New Business (continued)1) Acceptance of Major Renovation Projects (continued)iii. Selection of Contractors for the Implementation of a Preventive Maintenance Program 2015-2018 (continued)

WHEREAS a public call for tenders for general contractors was placed on SEAO (*Système électronique des appels d'offres du gouvernement du Québec*) on June 1st, 2015 and opened on June 23rd, 2015;

WHEREAS the Coordinator of Buildings and Equipment recommended that the lowest tender which met the requirements and specifications of the project be accepted;

It was MOVED by E. Paradis, SECONDED by W. Marois and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Council of Commissioners ratify the decision to accept the tender (*) that met the specifications for:

Schefferville: Av Tech (2300, Léon-Hamel, bureau 101, Québec (Québec) G1N 4L2)

- 2015-2016: \$18,310.00
- 2016-2017: \$18,860.00
- 2017-2018: \$19,426.00

Mauricie: Multi-Énergie Best (7975, boulevard des Forges, Trois-Rivières (Québec) G8Y 1Z5)

- 2015-2016: \$8,004.56
- 2016-2017: \$8,157.47
- 2017-2018: \$8,370.18

Québec: Av Tech (2300, Léon-Hamel, bureau 101, Québec (Québec) G1N 4L2)

- 2015-2016: \$18,311.00
- 2016-2017: \$18,140.00
- 2017-2018: \$18,474.00

Saguenay: Pro Combustion (1301, rue Manic, Chicoutimi (Québec) G7K 1G7)

- 2015-2016: \$2,069.56
- 2016-2017: \$2,069.56
- 2017-2018: \$2,069.56

Chibougamau: Av Tech (3386, boul. St-François, Jonquière (Québec) G7X 2W9)

- 2015-2016: \$9,096.00
- 2016-2017: \$9,277.92
- 2017-2018: \$9,463.48

(*taxes not included).

New Business (continued)m) One-Year Bus Contracts

It was MOVED by E. Paradis, SECONDED by W. Marois and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Central Québec School Board accept the following one-year transportation contracts for the 2015-2016 school year; and

Transporter	Capacity	Territory	2014-2015 Index 1.52% Excluding Tax	2015-2016 (\$) Index 1.91% Excluding Tax
Autocar Jeannois Inc.	Berlin	Alma	\$23,542	\$23,992
Pierre Giroux	Berlin	Îles d'Orléans	\$21,481	\$21,891
Nicole Lefebvre	Berlin	Tewkesbury	\$23,416	\$23,863
Claire Rousseau	Taxi	Val-Bélair (to École St-François)	\$29,947	\$30,519
Taxi Ghislain Bergeron	Berlin	Fossambault to DDO	\$17,283	\$17,613
Autobus Charles A. Morton	5- Row / 8-Row	Chapais	\$49,490	\$50,435
Nadia Lapointe	Berlin	Ile d'Orléans	\$7,607	\$7,752

THAT the Director General be authorized to sign the contracts on behalf of the School Board.

n) Recommendations Regarding the Central Québec School Board International Student Program

WHEREAS the existing structures and resources of the Central Québec School Board (CQSB) International Student Program (ISP) hinder timely communication with clients and therefore, do not promote a positive impression of the program;

WHEREAS the existing structures and resources of the Central Québec School Board (CQSB) International Student Program (ISP) do not allow the Board to adequately support, maintain and grow the program;

WHEREAS streamlining the current structure would result in considerable savings in time and money as well as an increase in the efficiency of the ISP process;

WHEREAS the current Web site and promotional materials are dated and need to be renewed;

It was MOVED by E. Paradis, SECONDED by A. Visser and RESOLVED; THAT CQSB divest itself of the majority of the student recruitment process and set up ententes with independent agencies who would assume these responsibilities in their entirety (based on commission); and

THAT a new post be created to provide direct and immediate follow-up support at the Board; and

15-08.10

New Business (continued)

n) Recommendations Regarding the Central Québec School Board International Student Program (continued)

THAT a priority be placed on the re-conception and construction of a more appealing and dynamic web-site; and

THAT promotional materials be up-dated and/or renewed; and

THAT the Central Québec School Board schools outside the greater Quebec City area be considered as host schools and that an active recruitment process be undertaken with this in mind.

H. Clibbon abstained from voting.

o) Fiche d'autorisation: Modification of a Contract - CQSB Exterior Masonry

WHEREAS the masonry of the heritage portion of the building is more damaged than expected due to water infiltration and ineffective repairs carried out previously;

WHEREAS the cost of the renovation represents more than 10% of the original tender;

WHEREAS the cost of the original contract was awarded to Gervais-Jacques for an amount of \$87,130.00; the total cost of the additional work is estimated at \$56,000.00 and the revised total cost of the project is now \$143,147.00; a 64.3% increase;

WHEREAS an authorization form must be submitted to the Secretariat of the *Conseil du trésor* when a public body has modified a contract which causes an additional expense totalling more than 10% of the original tendered price of the contract;

WHEREAS the authorization form provides all the reasons for the excess cost;

It was MOVED by W. Marois, SECONDED by K. Jack and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Council of Commissioners approve the modifications as well as the authorization form to be sent to the Secretariat of the *Conseil du trésor*.

That the Chairman be authorized to sign the form.

New Business (continued)p) Derogation for the Hiring of a Contractor: Riverside Regional High School

WHEREAS construction work at 1770 *rue* Joule followed the confirmation of the relocation of pupils from Riverside Regional Elementary School to 1750 *rue* Joule on May 15, 2015;

WHEREAS the work at 1750 *rue* Joule must begin in the fall of 2015 and the Riverside Regional High School students must be moved to 1770 *rue* Joule;

WHEREAS the development of plans could not take place before the Riverside Regional High School principal and school team had agreed on their needs regarding the distribution and layout of the classrooms and building spaces;

WHEREAS meetings between the Riverside Regional High School principal and school team were held in May and June of 2015 and the conclusion of their discussions forwarded to School Board professionals on June 18, 2015;

WHEREAS the demolition work had been scheduled with the purpose of speeding up the construction process;

WHEREAS the work must be completed within the shortest possible timeframe in order to ensure the least interference possible with the onset of the school year;

WHEREAS initially, according to the professionals hired by the Central Québec School Board, the scope of work was estimated to fall under the threshold of \$100,000.00, hence allowing a process of tender by invitation;

WHEREAS management relied on the professionals' estimate and conducted a tender by invitation on July 14, 2015;

WHEREAS the three bids, opened on August 5, 2015, exceeded the threshold of \$100,000.00;

WHEREAS considering the urgency of ensuring that the premises be ready as early as possible in order to minimally interfere with the onset of the new school year scheduled to start on August 31, 2015, it was decided to retain the lowest compliant bidder;

WHEREAS the tendering method used derogates from the Central Québec School Board Policy on Supply, Service and Construction Contracts;

It was MOVED by D. Ford-Caron, SECONDED by A. Visser and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Council of Commissioners agree to waive the Central Québec School Board Policy on Supply, Service and Construction Contracts and to award the project to *Les Constructions Tect-Hab inc.* (1644, boulevard Ste-Geneviève, Chicoutimi (Québec) G7G 3W6) in the amount of \$159,298.00 (taxes not included).

15-08.11

Committee Reports

a) Executive Committee

No meeting was held.

b) Parents' Committee

No meeting was held.

c) Special Needs Advisory Committee

No meeting was held.

d) Transport Advisory Committee

No meeting was held.

e) Audit Committee

No meeting was held.

f) Evaluation of the Director General

No meeting was held.

g) Ethics and Governance Committee

No meeting was held.

h) Human Resources Committee

No meeting was held.

i) Riverside Schools Ad Hoc Committee

No meeting was held.

15-08.12

Quebec English School Boards Association

a) Election of the 2015-2016 CQSB members to the QESBA Board of Directors

WHEREAS the Québec English School Board Association (QESBA) Board of Directors consists of two members appointed by each member board;

WHEREAS the nominations must be received no later than August 28, 2015;

It was MOVED by A. Visser, SECONDED by W. Marois and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT the Central Québec School Board members on the QESBA Board of Directors be Debbie Ford-Caron and Stephen Burke.

b) CQSB Representative on the QESBA Executive Committee

WHEREAS the Québec English School Board Association (QESBA) Executive Committee membership shall consist of either the Board Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson from each of the nine English school boards;

Whereas the nominations must be received no later than September 18, 2015;

It was MOVED by A. Visser, SECONDED by D. Ford-Caron and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT Stephen Burke be nominated as the Central Québec School Board representative on the QESBA Executive Committee.

c) QESBA Award of Merit

The criteria for the QESBA Award of Merit were outlined for all members. No nominations were put forth at this time.

d) QESBA 12-Year Award

Two CQSB commissioners are eligible for the 12-year award: Heather Clibbon and Jo-Ann Toulouse. Their names will be forwarded to QESBA.

15-08.13

Next meeting

The next regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners will be held on Friday, September 25, 2015.

15-08.14

Question period

a) Public

M. Patterson asked the Chairman if the school board understands the importance of ensuring that Riverside Regional High School will be ready for the first day of school. S. Pigeon responded that a sizeable team is indeed taking this very seriously and that all necessary supports are in place for the students of Riverside.

15-08.14 **Question period (continued)**

b) Commissioners

No questions were asked.

15-08.15 **In-camera session**

No in-camera session was held.

15-08.16 **Adjournment**

The meeting was ADJOURNED at 8:45 p.m. on a MOTION by H. Clibbon, SECONDED by A. Visser.

Patti L. Moore
Secretary General

Stephen Burke
Chairman

Approved on September 25, 2015.