

Approved minutes of the special meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Central Québec School Board held on Friday, January 30, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. by telephone at the Board Office, 2046, chemin St-Louis, Québec (Québec) G1T 1P4.

Present: Isabel Béland Parent Commissioner (by telephone)

Stephen Burke Chairman

Heather Clibbon Commissioner (by telephone)
Debbie Ford-Caron Commissioner (by telephone)
Pierrette Laliberté Assistant Director General
Wyna Marois Commissioner (by telephone)

Esther Paradis Commissioner

Jean Robert Vice-Chairman (by telephone)
Jo-Ann Toulouse Commissioner (by telephone)

Absent: Sara Downs Commissioner

Christian Falle Parent Commissioner
Stephen Nellis Parent Commissioner
Stephen Pigeon Director General
Patsy Poulin Parent Commissioner

Chantal Guay Commissioner
Kevin Jack Commissioner
Jo Rosenhek Commissioner
Aline Visser Commissioner

In attendance: Patti L. Moore Secretary General

15-01A.01 Call to order

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:21 p.m.

It was noted that the Chairman, the Assistant Director General and the Secretary General were present at the Board Office and that there was quorum.

15-01A.02 Approval of the agenda

It was MOVED by J.-A. Toulouse, SECONDED by E. Paradis and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED, that the agenda be approved as circulated.

15-01A.03 Public question period

No public was present.

15-01A.04 <u>Transportation: Municipality of Shannon</u>

WHEREAS as of January 1, 2015, the *Réseau de transport de la Capitale* (RTC) no longer provides services as far as the Municipality of Shannon but stops in Val-Bélair;

WHEREAS the Municipality of Shannon is not part of the agglomerate of Québec City;

WHEREAS the Central Québec School Board does not provide yellow-bus services for secondary students living in the Municipality of Shannon;

WHEREAS the Central Québec School Board does not have a budget to cover the additional costs required to transport students between Shannon and Val-Bélair;

WHEREAS the Central Québec School Board Transportation Advisory Committee is currently revising the CQSB Transportation Policy, which had not been updated in its entirety since 2005;

WHEREAS Central Québec School Board will be advising parents from that area – during the 2015-2016 registration period - that no services can be provided towards the agglomerate of Québec City;

WHEREAS secondary students living in the Municipality of Shannon and who choose to attend school in the agglomerate of Québec City will be eligible for the RTC reimbursement if they take advantage of this service starting from Val-Belair;

WHEREAS the CQSB Transportation Advisory Committee met on January 14, 2015 and again on January 26, 2015 to discuss the situation and to propose a solution;

It was MOVED by E. Paradis, SECONDED by W. Marois and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED; THAT parents be informed, no later than February 20, 2015, that henceforth, no transportation services will be provided for secondary students living in the Municipality of Shannon and attending school in the agglomerate of Québec City; and

THAT the wording of section 4.3 of the CQSB Transportation Policy be revised as follows; during the next public consultation and revision of said Policy:

SUGGESTED REVISION: 4.3 High School

All secondary students registered in schools under the jurisdiction of the Central Québec School Board whose place of residence is more than 2 km from the nearest school.

In most cases, Secondary students registered in high schools under the jurisdiction of the Central Québec School Board are not eligible for school bus transportation and shall use the public transportation network.

15-01A.04 <u>Transportation: Municipality of Shannon (continued)</u>

Secondary students will be provided access to school bus transportation in the event that there is no RTC or STS service or if they are required to transfer more than 2 times with the RTC or STS who reside in an area where there is no RTC or STS service and who choose to go to a school for which there is no existing yellow bus transportation will not be provided transportation services.

In addition, In exceptional circumstances, school bus transportation may be provided to high school students on school buses that already go to the high schools, have stops on the territory of the Ville de Québec where RTC transportation is available and have seats available. Service will only be provided from existing bus stops and must be requested annually. See Appendix 10 of the Transport Policy for the request form. The form is also available on the School Board's web site.

An annual fee to be recommended to the Council of Commissioners by the Transport Advisory Committee will be charged for each student.

In the event that a seat is required for an elementary student or a student who does not reside on Ville de Québec territory the oldest student will be required to resume use of the RTC transportation.

Students must adhere to the School Board's Transport Policy and rules of conduct.

Under no circumstances will the School Board consider modifying a bus route in order to accommodate students requesting school bus transportation, i.e. adding a stop, increasing the capacity, etc.

Every year, the Transport Department will inform the Grade 6 students concerned that they may be eligible for school bus transportation. Seats will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

15-01A.05 Public Question period

No public was present.

15.01A.06 Adjournment

The meeting was ADJOURNED at 5:29 p.m. on a MOTION by D. Ford-Caron, SECONDED by J. Robert.

Patti L. Moore	Stephen Burke
Secretary General	Chairman

Approved on February 18, 2015.