Franklin Hill Elementary School Elementary Cycle 3 category: *FHES: A sustainable school in action!* has won at the local level for Lanaudière – Kathleen L'Archevêque, Melissa D'Ambrosio and their Cycle 3 students;

Laurentian Regional High School Secondary Cycle 1 category: *The Café* has won at the local level for the Laurentides – Katrine Marrin and her students;

McCaig Elementary School Elementary Cycle 3 category: *Let's Growhas* won at the local level for the Laurentides – Vicki Fraser and her Cycle 3 students;

Mountainview High School:

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Although the calculation for number of administrators is based on weighted enrollment, ISME, number of buildings and number of staff, given that there has been an increase in bullying and acts of violence (58 in 2020-2021 and 80 so far in 2021-2022), videotaping of acts of violence which are then shared on social media, observation of an increased lack of social skills, an increase of disrespect, an increase of vaping in the school, vandalism, verbal abuse to teaching and non-teaching staff, many RHS parents and students sharing their concern with the great amount of issues

which have arisen this year, because all of the RHS feeder schools have increased in numbers and RHS is on the cusp of having a 10% increase in student numbers (it seems as though we are only approximately 6-7 students away from this), RHS administration cannot properly implement the ABAV plan, and the junior high school in Laval with 400 less students than RHS has 2 VPs, can an additional administrator be added to Rosemere High School beginning in the 2022-2023 school year?

The Chairperson thanked Ms. Fraser for her question indicating that with increasing enrolment there are several schools facing the same challenge. The Council appreciates that this concern has been brought to its attention. He asked the Director General for her input on this concern.

The Director General concurred that the increasing enrolment and the need to ensure that all schools have the required number of administrators is a concern. The RAC (Resource Allocation Committee) does look at the numbers but it does contextualize students and staff when allocating resources. Most of the RAC membership is made up of in-school administrators, so the in-school needs are well understood and taken into consideration. The concerns of RHS are heard. The Governing Board expressed its needs well in its response to the consultation on the criteria for the selection of a principal. It must also be noted that there are some decentralized measures that can be used to provide additional resources to answer specific needs within a school.

April 14 and 23, 2022 – Auditions were held for the Star Fest portion of the Laurier Gala and Star Fest. It was wonderful to be able to have live auditions and the judges faced hard choices when selecting the sixteen acts that will perform on May 26, 2022;

April 19, 2022 – Attended Laval Junior Academy's (LJA) Truth and Reconciliation initiative with Parent Commissioner Adam Gordon. In 2018, the Council created a First Nations, Métis and Inuit Committee to address the needs of this community within the school board. Pedagogical Services has also been instrumental in ensuring that the students in the schools receive indigenous education. Special thanks to the Principal of LJA and his team, as well as all teachers who promote truth and reconciliation education in the classroom and those who strive to make everyone feel valued;

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Visited Laval Junior Academy with Commissioner Donna Anber and the Director General to tour the newly renovated wing of the school that includes a *condo* for learning life skills and a sensory room for the development of sensory skills and good decision-making. The tour included being able to observe how these rooms work and it is very interesting to see the teachers with the students in these rooms and what a calming effect the surroundings can have;

Visited Laurentia Elementary School with Parent Commissioners Tara Anderson and Adam Gordon, along with the Assistant Director General and the Director of Material Resources and Transportation, to look at some of the more difficult challenges that the school is facing with space. There are changes planned that will address these challenges;

April 26, 2022 – The QCGN (Quebec Community Groups Network) held a press conference on Bill 96: *An Act respecting French, the official and common language of Québec*, to publicly oppose the Bill, as it is appalling and divisive, and will have a huge impact on the English community of Québec and others. On May 14, 2022, QCGN will be holding a public rally on Bill 96. The Québec government has done some backtracking on Bill 96, in that rather than having CEGEP students take three core subjects in French, they will now have to take three French courses.

## Community Comments

Commissioner Melissa Wall advised that on April 1<sup>st</sup> the Mountainview Elementary School staff pranked the Principal by wrapping up everything in his office and washroom. A good laugh was had by all as it promoted team spirit;

Commissioner James Di Sano noted that Laval Junior Academy held its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Adopta-Tree fundraiser;

Commissioner Donna Anber advised that Grenville Elementary School was interviewed by

#### Orientation 2: Offer students a variety of choices through 21st century programs and curriculum

Congratulations to the two students from Laval Junior Academy and the twelve students from Laval Senior Academy on their awards of distinction received at the 2022 Montréal Regional Science & Technology Fair. A special thanks to the teachers at Laval Junior Academy and at Laval Senior Academy, for their devotion to the students in this competition;

It must be highlighted that these two schools are public schools competing against a large group of private schools and CEGEPs. Congratulations to these students and the school teams on their success;

### Orientation 1: Retain and support quality employees

Administrative professionals are silent leaders in the schools/centres/head office that help make sure that everything runs smoothly. Congratulations to all who make a difference every day;

## Proud Moments

April 20, 2022 - McCaig Elementary School Gladiators hosted their 12<sup>th</sup> Annual International Ice Hockey Tournament with opponents from France and Switzerland. This was a very successful event. It celebrates sportsmanship and also represents Orientation 5 of the CTSP, *Engage students in physical activities 60 minutes a day.* A special thank-you to Dan Strina, Teacher at McCaig, for all the work he puts into this tournament to promote student engagement;

*Laurier News Bulletin – Earth Day Special Edition:* This special edition was sent to all stakeholders and it is worthwhile to take the time to watch it. It is on sustainable development. Congratulations to the Communications team on this interesting special edition;

### Upcoming Events

May 18, 2022 - CDC Pont-Viau will be holding an in-person open house from 5-8 p.m. Everyone is invited to come to explore the paths to success that the centre offers. The school board is proud to say that the majority of graduates from programs at CDC Pont-Viau have excellent job opportunities. The school board often hires graduates of these programs;

May 26, 2022 – The annual Laurier Gala & Star Fest is back and will be held at the Château Royal in Laval;

June 9, 2022 – The Lobster Gala is also returning and will also take place at the Château Royal.

#### 7.0 Business Arising

There were no items.

8.0 Decision Items

8.3 Information Resources

#### 8.3.1 Fibre-Optic Partnership

In response to questions, the Director of Information Resources advised that the portion of the agreement concerning the maintenance fees was concluded on August 31, 2021, and that the new fees negotiated are approximately fifty percent lower than what the school board pays in fees for other areas of its network.

Fibre-Optic Partnership WHEREAS the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board (SWLSB) adopted resolution no. 990922-IT-0034, entering into a partnership with the Commission scolaire de Laval (CS de Laval) and the Commission scolaire des Affluents for the construction of a fibre-optic network;

WHEREAS the fibre-optic network was constructed by Telus and the initial twenty years of network maintenance fees were included in the construction costs;

WHEREAS the CS de Laval, as the representative of the partners, revised the agreement with Telus in 2010 to extend the network no-maintenance fees until August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS the

Commissioner Anick Brunet MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee –

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WHEREAS section 8.3 of the Directive stipulates that any selection committee secretary must be a permanent employee holding a management or professional position in order to act on behalf of the public body;

Commissioner Vincent Cammisano MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee – Student Success, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board name Priscilla Lingaya, Procurement Coordinator of Material Resources and Transportation, as a Selection Committee Secretary, effective April 28, 2022.

Carried unanimously

8.5.6 MRT Relocation Project (Capital Investment & Maintenance)

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