



Cree School Board
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COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

November 11, 2020 | Meeting via TEAMs

1. THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE PASSED:

- Audited Financial Statements for the year ending June 30, 2020
- Amended Christmas Holidays 2020-2021
- Amended School Calendars 2020-2021
- Service Agreement with Elephant Thoughts 2020-2021
- Initiate and Budget Component for Project EQ-02-2100 Construction of Adult Learning Center in Whapmagoostui, Eastmain, and Nemaska
- Initiate and Budget Component for Project EQ-02-2201 Extension and/or Reorganizing of three schools in Waswanipi
- Initiate and Budget Component for Project EQ-02-2401 Construction of a 2nd Elementary School and/or Re-organizing of three schools in Mistissini
- Initiate and Budget Component for Project EQ-02-2002 Re-organization of Maquatua Eeyou Schools in Wemindji
- Budget Transfers for 2015-2016 Supplementary Allocation Projects (\$3.6M)
- Budget Transfers for 2016-2017 Supplementary Allocation Projects (\$4.3M)
- Budget Transfers for 2017-2018 Supplementary Allocation Projects (\$11.72M)
- Budget Transfers for 2018-2019 Supplementary Allocation Projects (\$12.05M)
- Purchase of Heating Fuel – *Whapmagoostui 2020-2021*

2. GOVERNANCE:

- Nemaska Commissioner Gertie Jolly was elected as the Audit Committee Chairperson 2020-2021



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Message from the Chairperson:

On behalf of the Council of Commissioners, I would like to express our gratitude to the Cree School Board's administration and staff, whose diligence and dedication have ensured that our youth, adult, and post-secondary sectors continue to provide services and support during this very challenging period. When we are all concerned with ensuring the safety of our students, staff, and communities, innovation and rapid implementation of COVID-19 measures have been key; the Cree School Board team has continually risen to this challenge. During this past Council meeting, we were thankful to see an emphasis on our ability to support staff's well-being and health by ensuring rest periods with the 2020-21 school calendar change.

All of the extraordinary work being done this year related to the COVID-19 response continues on top of the normal short term and long term plan that the board has implemented: adult learning centres are planned for Whapmagoostui, Eastmain, and Nemaska; important renovation projects move forward in our community schools; programs supporting students continue. While we deal with the crisis at hand, our focus on the future must remain strong, and so it is with gratitude that I express my thanks to all who work for the Cree School Board in our youth, adult, and post-secondary sectors. Everything you do, each and every day, allows us to meet our future goals in education within the Cree Nation of Eeyou Istchee, while we also work to keep each other safe and healthy in the present.

Dr. Sarah Pash, Chairperson

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Council members present:

Dr. Sarah Pash

Chairperson

Stella Lameboy Gilpin

Vice-Chairperson, Wemindji

Robin Pachanos

School Commissioner, Chisasibi

Brenda Hester

School Commissioner, Waskaganish

Gertie Jolly

School Commissioner, Nemaska

Jasmine Namagoose

School Commissioner, Eastmain

Daisy Shecapio

School Commissioner, Oujé-Bougoumou

Maitée Saganash

School Commissioner, Waswanipi

Minnie Loon Petawabano

School Commissioner, Mistissini

Adam Enosse

MoCreebec Observer

Absent:

Rebecca Masty-Kawapit

School Commissioner, Whapmagoostui

Andriana Trapper

Washaw-Sibi Observer

For further information on the subjects discussed at this meeting, please contact your local School Commissioner.

The next scheduled special meeting is December 1st & 2nd, 2020. Please note that all meetings are open to public and minutes of past meetings can be accessed through contacting the Office of the Secretary General at secretarygeneral@cscree.qc.ca.