

#### Cree School Board Commission scolaire crie

# COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

June 21-22, 2022 | Meeting in Chisasibi, Quebec

### The meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 was attended by the following Commissioners:

**Dr. Sarah Pash** Chairperson

Daisy Shecapio
Vice-Chairperson, School
Commissioner, Oujé-Bougoumou

Robin Pachanos School Commissioner, Chisasibi

Sammy Blackned School Commissioner, Wemindji

**Jasmine Namagoose** School Commissioner, Eastmain

**Anthony Moses** School Commissioner, Waskaganish

Rebecca Masty-Kawapit School Commissioner, Whapmagoostui

Minnie Loon Petawabano School Commissioner, Mistissini

**Gertie Jolly**School Commissioner, Nemaska

Adam Enosse MoCreebec Eeyoud, Observer

### Council Members Absent on June 21, 2022:

Maïtée Saganash School Commissioner Waswanin

Adrianna Trapper Washaw-Sibi – Observe

#### **REQUIRED APPROVALS:**

- The creation and abolishment of positions that meet the current and growing needs of schools and administration building.
- The operations budget for the fiscal year 2022-2023 was presented for the continued management of personnel, schools, and administration buildings.
- Boreala Management Service Agreement for 2022-2023 provides services such as organizational effectiveness and human resources.
- Le Project N'We Jinan entered into a Service Agreement that aims to increase student retention by reinforcing Cree identity through artistic expression for 2022-2023.
- Sabtuan Adult Education Services presented school calendars for 2022-2023 school year for General Education and Vocational Training.
- Post-Secondary Student Services Living Allowance Increased for 2022-2023 to take effect August 1, 2022, by 10%.
- Greenfield Learning Literacy Lexia partnership for 5 years to provide additional support with Literacy Recovery Plan.
- Approval of change order to supplement funding needed to ensure compliance with the building code.
- Supplementary Allocation Projects of 2020-2021 requires a budget transfer from remaining projects to support mechanical upgrade, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and control system projects.
- Change in Supplementary Allocation 2022-2023 due to increased cost of construction, the initial budget for the project is consumed.
- Change in Supplementary Allocation 2021-2022 requires a hiring of an Architect professional for landscaping for the school yard improvement projects.
- Change in Supplementary Allocation 2020-2021 highlights engagement of professionals necessary to conduct the proposed plan.
- Change in Supplementary Allocation 2019-2020 due to additional resources required to carry out the project.
- Awarding of Contract to Construction Bon Air Inc. for the extension of the server room at the Head Office in Mistissini.
- Purchase of 330 laptops and 285 docking stations were purchased for Teachers to sustain quality of work and effectiveness.
- Discussion with the Cree Board of Health and Social Services of James Bay regarding shared services for Charter Aircraft.



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The meeting on Tuesday, June 22, 2022 was attended by the following Commissioners:

**Dr. Sarah Pash** Chairperson

Daisy Shecapio Vice-Chairperson, School Commissioner, Oujé-Bougoumou

Robin Pachanos School Commissioner, Chisasibi

**Jasmine Namagoose** School Commissioner, Eastmain

Anthony Moses School Commissioner, Waskaganish

Rebecca Masty-Kawapit School Commissioner, Whapmagoostui

Minnie Loon Petawabano
School Commissioner Mistissin

**Gertie Jolly** School Commissioner, Nemaska

### Council Members Absent on June 22, 2022:

Sammy Blackned School Commissioner, Wemindji

Maïtée Saganash School Commissioner, Waswanipi

**Adrianna Trapper** Washaw-Sibi – Observer

**Adam Enosse** MoCreebec Eeyoud, Observer

#### **Director General Reporting:**

- In support of the Cree CEGEP file, Cree School Board hired a Director of Higher Learning and is now working to gather information on the feasibility study.
- Re-location of PSSS Main office is being examined and a working group was established to help facilitate this project.
- Driving Training program is underway to finalizing all services agreements for the school year 2022-2023.
- There will be a Bully Free Manual Information Session on August 3 and 4, 2-4 representatives will be invited from each community.
- Recruitment Incentive to attract JBNQA Graduates to work for Cree School Board with available housing units within their respective community.
- Cree History Award will be awarded in 2022-2023 school year, once Secondary 3 and 4 history material is translated to French.
- Special Education Symposium planning is continued along with CBHSSSJB, CNG and internal members.
- Youth Sector Short-Term Recovery Plan resulted in each director contributing to continue build on the recovery plan.
  - Long-term recovery plan will be reflected from 2021-2022 school year data.
  - Youth Sector Pedagogical Recovery Plan provided an update of Response to Intervention, Empower Reading, Individual Education Plans and Attendances Rates.
- Analysis on Attendance and Online Learning is ongoing effort to ensure student learning, engagement and support services.

#### Information:

- Post-Secondary, Adult Education and Cree Teacher Training students enrolled as full-time received a special allowance on April 14, 2022.
- Review Panel examined the requirements outlined by the eligibility for applicants to be sponsored by Post-Secondary Student Services regarding beneficiaries under JBNQA and permanent resident conditions.
- All Post-Secondary and Secondary Level Off-Community Adult Students living, and lodging allowances extended for May and June 2022.



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#### Information:

- Organizational review of the structure determined that a creation of Deputy Director General of Adult and Higher Learning would be necessary to fully recognize of clientele.
- Bill 28 from the National Assembly of Quebec is an Act to terminate the public health emergency while maintaining transitional measures necessary to protect the health of the population.

#### Governance:

School Committee Elections were held in Waswanipi on April 20, 2022. Eight(8) elected members were elected to service for next threes years (2022-2025).

#### **Directives Given:**

A directive was given to,

- ensure breakfast program is offered in all schools and explore ways to offer lunch programs for our students.
- review the standards of Cree Culture and language programming for all schools and provide a report to Council.
- review the Teacher Training program and report be provided to Council on the plans to enhance and expand the training programs.
- enter into discussions with the Cree Board of Health and Social Services of James Bay regarding a proposed Memorandum of Understanding which would set out how the two (2) entities could share services for charter aircraft.

#### **Community Engagement:**

The Council of Commissioners discussed student, teacher, staff, and stakeholders concerns to help improve and support the school environment. Some of the focuses of the discussion were continued collaboration with local school committees, teacher hirings, promotion of Cree culture, availability of extracurricular activities, Mozaïk portal, graduation ceremonies.

For further information on the subjects discussed at this meeting, please contact your local Schools Commissioner. The next scheduled council meeting is September 13-14, 2022

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