

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
 Friday, June 7, 2013
 FROM 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
 At Riverdale High School (CLC) – Pierrefonds, Qc

ATTENDANCE	
Beliveau, Serge	ETSB
Bordonaro, Tino	FPPE
Brown, Christie	MELS
Bruzzese, Sam	AAESQ
Chechile, Michael	LBPSB
Dupuis, Margaret	LEARN
Finn, Cindy	ACES
Foltin, Deborah	Littoral
Fossey, Jean-Paul	QPAT
Furfaro, Sandra	EMSB – Co-Chair
Gendron-Brodeur Lyse	RSB
Goldberg, Jill	MELS
Halman, Heather 11:20	PROCEDE
Helm, Mike	NFSB
Joly, Sebastien	QPAT
Keenan, Gloria	PROCEDE
Korb, Tina	SWLSB
La France, Leo	MELS
Lau, Sunny Man Chu	Bishops University
LeBihan, Nicole	FPPE
Mosher, Lisa	ESSB
Pigeon, Stephen	CQSB – V.C.

Pompa, Paul	QPAT
Roy, Elaine	MELS-DSCA
Ryan, John	Coordinator
Scott, Arlene	FPPE
Somerville, Gail	ACES
Stewart, Marielle	ADGESBQ (V.C.)
Truesdale, Christine	LEARN
REGRETS	
Adams, Andrew	QPAT
Beauchamp, Catherine	Bishops University
Beamish, Anne	FPPE
Benson, Fiona J.	McGill University
Dupuis, Margaret	LEARN
Lafrance, Michel	ISAT
Levy-Sommer, Corinne	ISAT
Lothian, Marian	WQSB
MacLEAN, Randy	AAESQ
Martini, Domenic	Concordia University
Robertson, Kenneth J.	Colleges
TBC	Kativik
TBC	Cree

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1. WORDS OF WELCOME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sandra Furfaro welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced a new member to the Table, Arlene Scott representing the Association of Professionals. 			
2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND MINUTES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve the agenda as presented was accepted. Motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2013 meeting was accepted. Notes of the Annual Seminar held on April 11, 2013 were reviewed 			

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<p>3. REPORT BY LEO LA FRANCE</p>	<p>Leo La France reported on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personnel and administrative changes at the MELS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Alain Veilleux has announced his retirement (ii) Law confirming the division of the ministries was passed this week (iii) Vocational education is under co-management at least for the next year (iv) Tables Inter-Ordres will continue for the time being but are being reviewed • Entente Canada-Quebec: The length of the agreement will be five years and the level of funding is expected to be the same as the last agreement. Pending the signing of the bi-lateral agreements with the provinces, Leo has asked the school boards to be prudent with spending until the entente is finalized. • The Minister has identified her priorities for the upcoming year: The top priorities being student success and kindergarten for four-year olds. • Budget: Is expected by June 14, 2013 • History Program: No changes are expected for September 2013, but consultations are being planned for the future. • Policy on Sports and Physical Activity: MELS is working on developing a national policy on sports and physical activity. There will be an ongoing public consultation. Leo encourages everyone to take a look at it because it will affect several areas within our school system, • Professional Development: The MELS will not be offering any PD unless it is a new initiative. The PDSC might be able to support the Anglophone sector in this area. • Legislation: The amended Bill 24 was adopted last week in the National Assembly offering changes to candidates running for school board elections. Bill 23 on pre-K programs appears headed for adoption and some important progress was also made late last week on Bill 25 - this law is necessary in order for Boards to adopt their budgets for next year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLCs: SSAACC will be depositing a proposal to the DGs that will address the issue of sustainability of the existing 37 CLCs and to plan for the necessary resources within the new 2013-2018 Canada - Québec Entente. • Partnership Agreements: MELS will continue to support the school boards in this area. The Partnership Support Group will be available next year but with some possible changes to the members. • Jill Goldberg is continuing the work for the “School Improvement Initiatives in the English Educational Community”. SSAACC is identifying common goals for all the ongoing and permanent initiatives. More information to come. <p>Question and answer period followed</p>			
<p>4. PRESENTATION OF KEY ISSUES</p>	<p><u>Strategic Plan 2013-2016</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the recommendations made at the LCEEQ Annual Seminar held on April 11, 2013 was to overhaul the LCEEQ Strategic Plan. • The focus of a two special meetings of a joint Steering Committee, with the additional help of a few individual members, resulted in Draft IV of the strategic plan deposited today. • The original six goals have been reduced to four. The intent of any of the previous goals was not abandoned, but items were reorganized under four major themes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needs of the English Educational Community • Interaction with the Ministries (MELS – MESRT) • Professional Development • Internal operation of the Committee • Members were asked to review the proposed Strategic Plan (2013-2016) carefully prior to the meeting on June 7th. 			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the meeting members were given coloured dots to indicate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • full agreement (green), • cautions that you would put forward (yellow), • areas that need to be reconsidered (red). <p><u>Small Group Work</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The four goals were addressed in small groups so that any necessary changes (exclusion, inclusion, clarification of wording....) can be made so that a final document can be presented at the first General meeting in September. • Members attending by video conference are asked to forward their comments – particularly in the yellow and red categories – prior to the meeting so that these will be included in the deliberations. 			
<p>5. MEETING THEMES FOR 2013-2014</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Meeting dates for 2013-2014</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed schedule was accepted • <u>Items for the Agenda for September 19, 2013</u> Suggested items included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ratification of strategic plan - Update on Bill 14 - Information on the ongoing initiatives at MELS, who are our reps...do we have reps.. - Data analysis of exam results - Develop a mechanism for PD and evaluation of PD - Adult and vocational training: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Transitions from high school to vocational training 			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Develop initiatives to break down the stereotypes o Valorization - Discussion with Universities: (Example-French Universities are considering adding a teacher competency for cultural differences) - Discuss concerns with the electronic audio files for exams - Reporting for students with special needs - Look at increasing collaboration with DSCA 			
<p>6 LCEEQ BUSINESS ITEMS</p>	<p><u>6.1. DSCA REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New staff has been hired at DSCA – Elaine will forward an updated organizational chart in the Fall. - DSCA is increasing communication and collaboration with various sub-committees - Christie Brown reported on the MELS Success Projects for Math/Science, and History <p><u>6.2. REPORT OF EXPENSES 2012-2013</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expense report showing details from July 1, 2012 to June7, 2013 was deposited. <p><u>6.3. BUDGET 2013-2014 – OVERVIEW</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leo La France reported on the analysis being done to bring the budget in line with the new Entente Canada-Quebec. More information will be reported in September. <p><u>6.4. CONFERENCE 2014</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - John Ryan reported on the steps that have been taken so far: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The keynote speakers have been confirmed • Six local workshop proposals have been received. To receive the forty proposals needed, John asked the members to encourage their leading practitioners back at 			

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	<p>the boards to submit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Conference committee is looking at possibly offering a session for parents, as was done in the previous year. This first time ever session proved to be very popular. • The Conference committee is also looking at ways to bring in the students' voice, keeping in mind adult education and vocational training. <p>❖ VARIA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ On behalf of LCEEQ, two retiring members were thanked for their active participation and extended best wishes for a happy retirement: Lyse Gendron-Brodeur and Nicole LeBihan. ➤ John Ryan also thanked the outgoing members and welcomed the new members who will be replacing them. ➤ Cindy Finn presented the co-chairs with a token plaque of appreciation and on behalf of everyone thanked them for all their hard work. ➤ Sandra Furfaro also thanked everyone for their support and congratulated the new Chair and co-chair. (Cindy Finn and Deborah Foltin) 			
<p>6. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING</p>	<p>The next meeting is scheduled on Thursday, September 19, 2013.</p>			

Respectfully submitted by Angela Rosa