

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
Thursday, June 5, 2014
FROM 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
At the English Montreal School Board, Montreal, Qc.

ATTENDANCE	
Beliveau, Serge	ETSB
Benudiz, Sidney	ISAT (Dep.12:00)
Bordonaro, Tino	FPPE
Bruzzese, Sam	AAESQ
Brown, Christie	MELS, SSAACC
Chechile, Michael	LBPSB
Finn, Cindy	ACES Chair
Foltin, Deborah	LITTORAL Vice-Chair
Fossey, Jean-Paul	QPAT
Furfaro, Sandra	EMSB
Goldberg, Jill	MELS, SSAACC
Greschner, Fred	ACES
Helm, Mike	NFSB
Joly, Sebastien	QPAT
Korb, Tina	SWLSB
Lau, Sunny	BISHOP's
Lothian, Marian (V.C.)	WQSB
Quinn, Kim	CREE

Rosa, Angela	Secretary
Ryan, John	Coordinator
Scott, Arlene	FPPE
Truesdale, Christine	LEARN (Arr: 9:45 AM)
REGRETS	
Adams, Andrew	QPAT
Benson, Fiona J.	McGILL
Della Rocco, Cosmo	PROCEDE
Halman, Heather	PROCEDE
Levy-Sommer, Corinne	ISAT
Mason, Ralph	AAESQ
Martini, Domenic	CONCORDIA
Mosher, Lisa	ESSB
Pigeon, Stephen	CQSB
Pompa, Paul	QPAT
Robertson, Kenneth J.	COLLEGES
Somerville, Gail	RSB
Stewart, Marielle	ADGESBQ

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1. WORDS OF WELCOME	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cindy Finn welcomed everyone to the last meeting of the year. She acknowledged Marian Lothian joining the meeting by video-conference from the Western Quebec School Board.
2. APPROVAL OF THE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2014 meeting was accepted.

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3. REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADM Chantal Beaulieu was intended to be present but unfortunately had to send regrets. Her report was be given by Jill Goldberg and Christie Brown. • Jill Goldberg highlighted the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Budget: The Liberal government recently announced its first budget - the budgetary rules will offer a more detailed portrait but the budget does offer some system cost increases for education – more to come. ○ Maternelle for 4-years-olds: No new information to report, except that the committee is meeting on Monday and will look at the implications and probability of including decile 8 schools in the mix. The number of classes allowed per board will most likely be finalized too. MELS is also looking at the definition of “milieu défavorisé” to make sure that all objectives are attained. ○ Report from the Groupe d’Experts: Although this report was mandated by the previous government it is currently under review by the new government and we should be hearing some feedback soon. ○ Regional Offices: The consensus is that the impact on the English services will be minimal. It will be a work in process as they begin to redeploy the personnel. • Christie Brown reminded the members that a monthly report is tabled at the ADGESBQ which covers information on the various dossiers and initiatives handled at SSAACC. It is highly recommended to read this report as it will keep members informed and up to date. Today she reported on the items included in the May report, a copy of which has been forwarded to all LCEEQ members. (refer to report for full details) • Some discussion was had on the details of the document deposited for the training project for Elementary Math Teachers. In collaboration with LCEEQ-PDSC, an Elementary Math Task Force team is in the process of developing a PD plan for elementary math teachers that will begin in the 2014-2015 school year. More information will be provided to MAST and the DEEN Table in the coming weeks.

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4. OUTCOMES OF THE ANNUAL SEMINAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A very detailed document with notes on the April 9th seminar was distributed to all members. • Future work will involve moving the identified priorities into action and to decide the best way to do this. • Most members felt than one day is not enough time for the seminar and will consider going back to having a two-day event next year. • The highlights brought forward included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improve communication with a new sub-committees, to continue to promote LCEEQ as a voice and think tank ▪ Increase communication to milieu – help our reseau to know us better – proposal for a sub-committee to work on this. ▪ Planning for next years – two options were offered and a round table was had to determine which direction is the preferred one. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scenario A: Similar to the status quo where every meeting should have a theme – themes to be identified by table. • Scenario B: Take a new approach – identify one theme and work on that over the year. • Feedback: The Table agreed that a middle ground would be the best option. Multiple themes can be identified and then some can be chosen to work on more in depth than was done in the past. LCEEQ felt that a certain degree of flexibility must be allowed and working on just one theme might be too restrictive.
5. DIRECTIONS FOR 2014-2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The members were divided into four break-out groups as follows and were asked to discuss what topics should be considered and name any experts that could be invited to present. The Steering Committee will then review the feedback and develop a plan to bring forward at the next meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group I (Christie, Fred, Deborah, Kim) - Group II (Serge, Sunny, Jill, Tina, Michael) - Group III (Arlene, Mike H., Christine, JP, Sam) - Group IV (Cindy, Sandra, Tino, Sebastien) • Guiding Questions for the break out groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ With regards to the topics: Timely? Pertinent? Explore in depth? ▪ Prioritize topics - if more than one are identified ▪ Does your chosen topic contain various stands? ▪ Suggestions for presenter names

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ FOR Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What role will you play re: these topics? • What is the implication for your organization? • How may your organization contribute?
6. MEETING DATES FOR 2014-2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A copy of the proposed meeting dates for 2014-2015 was deposited. • The location for all the meeting will be constant throughout the year – at the English Montreal School Board. • Members shared their concern on the low attendance for this year`s seminar. Everyone agreed that this important event should be prioritized for next year.
7. LCEEQ BUSINESS ITEMS	<p>7.1 <u>DSCA Report</u></p> <p>Jill Goldberg reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Liette Picard, Director of Complementary Services at MELS announced her retirement - Christie Brown has been given an increased leadership role at DSCA - Erin Gruell’s Freedom Writers Institute – SSAACC in collaboration with QESBA and ADGESBQ is pleased to have sent a second participant to the F.W.I summer session. Last year the winner was Brett Mitchell from ESSB and this year the winner is Wendy King from ETSB. The Cree School Board also sent a participant. Kim Quinn will share an article written by their participant depicting her experience. - Christie Brown continued her report on the various initiatives – all details can be found on the monthly SSAACC-DSCA Update for the month of May 2014

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	<p><u>7.2.YCT Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Ryan reminded all that the intent of this committee was to provide an opportunity for senior high school teachers and counselors to meet with cegep staff to better understand the existing gaps. Traditionally the committee has sponsored a conference with approximately 120 participants. The committee is looking at a different plan for the upcoming year. A group of about 30 people met on May 9 and looked at how the YCT can best address the needs of the milieu and made the following recommendations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Plan for smaller regional sessions at more frequent intervals ✓ Data analysis in different subject areas ✓ Look at transition from elementary to secondary • LCEEQ members were asked to forward their comments and feedback to John Ryan's attention. It was also reported that more time will be allotted on the LCEEQ agenda for YCT reports. <p><u>7.3 Annual 2015 Conference – Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Ryan followed through on his mandate from the Steering Committee to determine the possibility of having John Hattie (Visible Learning) as the featured speaker for February 9-10, 2015. He was pleased to report that Mr. Hattie is available and has been booked for one day – the session on the second day will be led by members of his team. This will most likely change the structure of the conference and in addition LCEEQ is looking at increasing participation up to 1000 people – more details to come and any possibility of subsidies still to be determined. • The viability of hosting an additional two-day National Conference welcoming participants from across Canada and the northern United States is still being studied.

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	<p><u>7.4 Report of Expenses 2014-2015</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The document listing LCEEQ expenses for 2013-2014 was deposited. <p><u>7.5 Budget 2014-2015 – Overview</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christie Brown reported that Canada-Quebec Entente is still not officially signed, but that funding for LCEEQ is expected to be available as in past years. Christie reminded everyone that there was a discussion on the STEM conference and although there was no STEM conference this past year she expects planning will begin for one next year.
8. ADJOURNMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cindy Finn adjourned the meeting after the following brief announcements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A thank you to John Ryan for all the work he did over the course of the year. ✓ All meetings in 2014-2015 will take place at EMSB ✓ LCEEQ will expect a new DG rep as Marielle Stewart is retiring in July 2014 and a new QAIS director will be named to replace Sidney Benudiz as he will be assuming another role. Meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM

Respectfully submitted by Angela Rosa