



CHAPTER 65

An Act respecting the Montreal Catholic School Commission

[Assented to, the 27th of May, 1937]

HIS MAJESTY, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The Montreal Catholic School Commission shall continue to form a corporation with the jurisdiction, for Catholic school purposes, which is at present assigned to it by the various acts which govern it, subject to the explicit amendments of this act. Continuing of Commission as corporation.

The said Commission is composed of nine members appointed as follows: Composition.

a. three by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, one of whom must be English-speaking.

b. three by the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal; and

c. three by the executive committee of the city of Montreal, one of whom must be English-speaking.

The quorum of the Commission shall be five members. Quorum.

2. All the qualifications required to be a member of the Montreal Catholic School Commission shall be as follows: Qualifications of commissioner.

1. Be a Roman Catholic;
2. Be domiciled in the city of Montreal and be a taxpayer of the said city;

3. Possess the other qualifications deemed useful by the authority which makes the appointment.

Pedagogic Council.

3. A Pedagogic Council is instituted, formed of at most twenty members, all Roman Catholics, appointed by the Montreal Catholic School Commission on the previous recommendation of the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal. The quorum of the said Council shall be that determined by the Commission.

Powers.

The Pedagogic Council shall have the powers vested in it by the Commission.

Supervision.

It shall exercise its functions under the supervision of the Montreal Catholic School Commission and of the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal.

General-chairman.

4. The Montreal Catholic School Commission shall choose from among its members a person to act as general-chairman, whose yearly salary fixed by the Commission shall not exceed three thousand dollars.

Salary.

Duties.

The duty of the general-chairman shall be to preside over the meetings of the Commission and, besides his vote as a member of the Commission, he shall have the right to a casting-vote in case of equality of votes.

General secretary.
Salary.

The Commission shall appoint during pleasure a general-secretary who shall be at the same time treasurer, and whose salary shall not exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

Duties, etc.

The general-secretary shall be *ex-officio* secretary of the Pedagogic Council, and he shall have all the duties and functions which are conferred by the Education Act upon secretary-treasurers of school commissions, subject to the provisions of this act.

Term of office.

5. The members of the Montreal Catholic School Commission and of the Pedagogic Council shall be appointed for three years.

Appointments.

The first appointments shall be made by the competent authorities before the 1st of July, 1937, and, thereafter, every appointment as a member of the Commission or of the Pedagogic Council shall be made within fifteen days of the vacancy.

Persons disqualified from office.

6. Neither the mayor nor the members of the executive committee nor the aldermen of the city of Montreal shall be appointed members of the Commission or of the Pedagogic Council.

7. The present members of the Montreal Catholic School Commission, including the general-chairman, shall continue in office until the 1st of July, 1937, when they shall be replaced by the persons who shall be appointed in conformity with this act. Term of office of present members.

The administrative and pedagogical boards shall continue to exercise their respective jurisdiction and powers until the 1st of July, 1937, and the members who form part thereof shall remain in office until that date. Id., of certain of boards.

8. In any acts, orders-in-councils, by-laws, resolutions or ordinances, agreements or engagements or public deeds relating to the Montreal Catholic Schools, wherein are employed the words "central board" to indicate the central board of the Montreal Catholic Schools, the said words shall signify the "Montreal Catholic School Commission"; and likewise the words "district commission" or "pedagogical board of the Montreal Catholic School Commission", shall designate the "Pedagogic Council of the Montreal Catholic School Commission". Interpretation.

9. The act 18 George V, chapter 50; sections 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the act 7 George V, chapter 28; sections 6 and 7 of the act 19 George V, chapter 46; sections 2, 4 and 5 of the act 20 George V, chapter 58, and section 3 of the act 22 George V, chapter 60, are repealed. Provisions repealed.

Any provisions of the general or special acts incompatible with the provisions of this act are repealed, and all other provisions of the general and special acts which do not contravene, directly or indirectly, those of this act shall remain in force. Provisions to remain in force.

10. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. Coming into force.

