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Welcome back to a new school year! I hope that you all enjoyed a relaxing summer break and are eager to embark on a new journey ahead. It is with great pleasure that I assume the role of Executive Director, representing you, esteemed members of the Association.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to Jan Langelier, Peggy McCourt, Julie Carpentier, Debbie Quain and Liana Navrozidis for the warm welcome back in the spring and for their invaluable assistance in ensuring a seamless transition into this new position.

I eagerly anticipate the challenges that lie ahead with enthusiasm and dedication and will continue to provide the members support and guidance whenever needed.

Wishing you all a successful and enriching school year!

Role of AAESQ

AAESQ is a professional provincial organization representing 500 English school, centre, and board level administrators across the Province of Quebec. The Association also represents 200 retired administrators.

The Association is committed to providing timely and accurate support to members in matters relating to working conditions, professional growth, and legal representation as it pertains to the public sector.

AAESQ represents the interests of the Association within and outside the education community and communicates relevant information to its members in a timely manner.

AAESQ aims to advocate for and encourage high-quality education by fostering excellence in leadership within the public education system.

AAESQ strives to encourage and facilitate the growth of leadership skills and values, ultimately contributing to the overall improvement of our public education system.

Word from the President

Dear colleagues,

My 30 years in education have taught me to say "yes" to helping people in various organizations. As rewarding as it is to be of service, representing members of our association is necessary to promote the importance of anglophone administrators in the Quebec education system. It is with great pleasure that I will work alongside Evelyne Alfonsi in a concerted effort to support and assist our AAESQ colleagues.

Welcome-Back and have a wonderful 2023-2024 school year.



Julie Carpentier
AAESQ President

Bill 40 Challenge Win

Congratulations to the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) on their victory on the Québec Superior Court challenge of Bill 40, An Act to amend mainly the Education Act with regard to school organization and governance.

In their judgment, the Court concluded that many provisions of Bill 40 are unconstitutional due to a breach of section 23 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. See attached press releases (in English and French) from QESBA for more details.

Executive Members

President	Julie Carpentier
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Information from Me. Anne-Marie Chiquette, Lawyer of AAESQ

HALF-YEAR RESULTS BY THE CAISSE DE DÉPÔT ET PLACEMENT DU QUÉBEC (CDPQ) FOR THE PENSION PLAN OF MANAGEMENT PERSONEL (PPMP)

Dear members,

As you know all too well, the first half of 2023 was marked by a more resilient economy than expected, which followed a year 2022 marked by a historic tightening of monetary policies by central banks, and by the deterioration of the economic and geopolitical environment, particularly with the war in Ukraine combined with the severe COVID-related lockdown in China contributing to inflationary pressures globally.

The resilience of the economy in 2023 has enabled most of the stock markets to rise. However, even though long-term interest rates ended the semester at a level similar to that of the beginning of the year, fears related to persistent inflation and increasing instability in the global banking system have generated a lot of volatility in the bond markets.

Even so, returns for the PPMP fund are positive at 3.8% for the first half of 2023, with a value of 5.5% over a 5-year period and 7.6% over a 10-year period.

The rate obtained for the PPMP index is 3.6%, which means that the PPMP fund has a better return than its benchmark index.

Investors are faced in 2023 with several contradictory signals from various sources, such as inflation, interest rates, employment and financial markets. This complexity highlights the importance of the diversification we have with the PPMP portfolio, as well as a prudent investment approach based on the long term.

Contact Information

Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. from Mondays to Fridays

- For non urgent matters, please email our office at info@aaesq.ca or call us at **(514) 426-5110**. Debbie Quain and Liana Navrozidis will be happy to assist you.
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- For questions regarding pension, please contact Me. Anne-Marie Chiquette at amchiquette@aper.qc.ca

*Evelyne Alfonsi
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