



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, BUDGET REPORT

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

7:00 pm

Board Room

Administration Building

133 Greenbank Road

Ottawa, Ontario

- Trustees Present:** Justine Bell (electronic communication) , Donna Blackburn, Donna Dickson (electronic communication) , Lyra Evans, Julia Fortey, Jennifer Jennekens, Matthew Lee, Cathryne Milburn (electronic communication) , Suzanne Nash, Amanda Presley (electronic communication), Lynn Scott
- Staff Present:** Pino Buffone (Director of Education), Brett Reynolds (Associate Director of Education), Randy Gerrior (Associate Director of Business Operations), Jesse Mark (General Counsel, Governance & Legal Services), Shawn Lehman (Superintendent of Employee Services), Kevin Gardner (General Manager, Financial Services), Julie Cyr (General Manager, Early Learning), Sandy Owens (General Manager, Business & Learning Technology), Diane Pernari (General Manager, Communications & Public Relations), Michael Guilbault (Multimedia Coordinator, Communications), Tamara Persaud (Board/Committee Coordinator)
- Non-Voting Representatives Present:** Susan Gardner (OCETFO), Tracy Shapiro (OCSSAN), Stephanie Kirkey (OSSTF), Chris Walsh (OSSTF), Corinne Lassaline (OSSTF-PECCS), Anthony Wong (SEAC), Jason Glover (PIC), Inini McHugh (ACE), Melodie Gondek (OSSTF - ESP), Philip Battison (OSSTF-PSSU), Susan Rab (OSSTF-OTs), Christine Moulaison (OCASC), Stephen Skoutajan (OCEFTO), Nina Stanton (IEC)

1. Call to Order - Chair of Committee of the Whole, Budget

Chair Jennekens called the public session to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Acknowledgement of Territorial Lands

Chair Jennekens acknowledged that this meeting is taking place on unceded Algonquin Homelands and thanked the Algonquin Nations for their stewardship of these lands since time immemorial.

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Nash,

THAT the agenda be approved.

Carried

4. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were filed.

5. Delegations

There were no delegations.

6. Matter for Action

6.1 Report 25-038: 2025-2026 Staff Recommended Budget (R. Gerrior)

Your Committee had before it Report 25-038, seeking approval of the staff recommended operating budget for the 2025-2026 school year.

Moved by Trustee Lee,

A. THAT the unconsolidated 2025-2026 operating budget of \$1,244,794,269 as presented in Report 25-038, 2025-2026 Staff-Recommended Budget and detailed in the 2025-2026 Staff-Recommended Budget Binder be approved; and

B. THAT the 2025-2026 capital budget of \$114,488,227 as presented in Report 25-038, 2025-2026 Staff-Recommended Budget and detailed in the 2025-2026 Staff-Recommended Budget Binder be approved.

Associate Director Gerrior and Director Buffone committed to providing information regarding the impact of the reductions made in the budget on the strategic plan as it relates to meeting objectives.

In response to queries articulated from members at the Committee of the Whole Budget meeting, Associate Director Gerrior and Director Buffone requested that members submit questions that require further investigation via email to be addressed at a future meeting.

Moved by Trustee Lyra Evans,

THAT the 10 June 2025 Committee of the Whole (COW) Budget meeting be paused and the discussion continue at the 16 June 2025 COW Budget meeting.

Defeated.

Moved by Trustee Jennekens,

THAT the Committee of the Whole (COW) Budget meeting scheduled for 11 June 2025 be cancelled and the discussion continue at the 16 June 2025 COW Budget meeting.

Defeated.

Moved by Trustee Lee,

THAT the Committee of the Whole (COW) Budget meeting be paused and the discussion continue at the 11 June 2025 COW Budget meeting.

Carried

7. Discussion Items

There were no items for discussion.

8. New Business - Information and Inquiries

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned until 7:00 p.m. on 11 June 2025.

Jennifer Jennekens, Chair