

Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee (Special Meeting) Report No. 01

FBEC:064A
Wednesday, November 25, 2020
4:30 p.m.
Electronic Meeting

Members Present Trustees Parthi Kandavel (Chair), Shelley Laskin, Zakir Patel,

Robin Pilkey, Jennifer Story, David Smith and Manna Wong

Also Present Trustees Michelle Aarts, Alexander Brown, Rachel Chernos Lin,

Trixie Dovle, Dan MacLean and Christopher Mammoliti

All trustees participated by electronic means in accordance with

amendments to Section 7 of Ontario Regulations 463/97,

Electronic Meetings.

Part A: Committee Recommendations

1. Contract Awards, Facilities [3975]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see FBEC:064A, page 1) presenting contract awards. The Committee received the contracts on Appendix A and approved the contracts on Appendix B.

Moved by: Trustee Wong Seconded by: Trustee Patel

The Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the contracts on Appendix C, as presented in the report, be approved.

Carried

2. Contract Awards, Operations [3996]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see FBEC:064A, page 13) presenting contract awards. The Committee received the contracts on Appendix A and approved the contract on Appendix B.

Moved by: Trustee Pilkey **Seconded by:** Trustee Laskin

The Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee RECOMMENDS that the contract on Appendix C, as presented in the report, be approved.

Carried

3. Reserve Status as a Result of 2019-2020 Operations: Update [3991]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see FBEC:064A, page 29) presenting an update on the status of reserves at the completion of the 2019-2020 school year.

Moved by: Trustee Story Seconded by: Trustee Laskin

The Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the report be received.

Carried

4. 2020 Actual Enrolment: Update [3977]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see FBEC:064A, page 33) presenting information on actual enrolments as of October 2020.

Moved by: Trustee Wong Seconded by: Trustee Story

The Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the report be received.

Carried

5. 2020-21 Revised Estimates: Update [3998]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see FBEC:064A, page 69) presenting information on the revised estimates for 2020-2021.

Moved by: Trustee Laskin **Seconded by:** Trustee Smith

The Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee RECOMMENDS:

- (a) That the report be received:
- (b) Whereas, the Toronto District School Board was committed to do everything possible to open schools safely for its students and staff for the 2020-21 school year; and

Whereas, in order to do so, the Board used working fund reserves and other reserves that had been set aside for specific purposes; and

Whereas, since budget estimates continue to be revised and based on actual enrolments which have declined due to the pandemic, there are significant changes from the original budget projections as well as the potential of ongoing risks to the board's financial forecast:

Therefore, be it resolved:

- That the Chair write to the Minister of Education to advocate for the full reimbursement of reserve funds and other pandemicrelated costs that the TDSB and other school boards were required to spend to safely open and operate schools;
- ii. That the letter at Part (a) be copied to the Ontario Public School Boards' Association.

Carried

Part (b) was added as business arising, on motion of Trustee Laskin, seconded by Trustee Story.

6. 2021-22 Operating Budget Communications Overview [3994]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see FBEC:064A, page 79) presenting proposed communications support for the 2021-2022 operating budget.

Moved by: Trustee Story Seconded by: Trustee Wong

The Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the report be received.

Carried

7. Draft 2021-22 Budget Strategic Drivers and Consultation Plan [3995]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see FBEC:064A, page 85) presenting information on the budget strategic drivers for 2021-2022.

Moved by: Trustee Story Seconded by: Trustee Wong

The Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee RECOMMENDS that the proposed 2021-22 Budget Strategic Drivers and Consultation Plan be approved.

Carried

Staff undertook to revise the document based on feedback provided at the meeting.

Part B: For Information Only

8. Call to Order and Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands

The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m.

9. Declarations of Possible Conflict of Interest

No matters to report

10. Delegations

re French Immersion in Virtual School

1. Fiona de Ree, Parent

11. Adjournment

On motion of Trustee Laskin, seconded by Trustee Story, the meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Part C: Ongoing Matters

No matters to report

Submitted by: Parthi Kandavel, Committee Chair