# Minutes

# Ward 7 Hybrid Council Meeting

## Thursday May 18, 2023 6:30 pm

## Ursula Franklin Academy Small Cafeteria & Via Zoom

## [Meeting Presentation](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Jb175VgR1-TWQQDmqxSjOquWrPmY9atT/view?usp=sharing)

### Welcome/Introductions

* The meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm by Trustee Debbie King
  + Trustee King gave the [Land Acknowledgement](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Community/Indigenous-Education/Resources/Land-Acknowledgement)
  + Meeting Chair Christy Heath introduced fellow Shared Service Liaison, Wilmar Kortleever who is running the Zoom meeting
  + Christy reviewed the [Agenda](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SHrlJjBbuklW6iyMlNkxwS-aPsk9LEvq0vROv0nYvCs/edit?usp=sharing) and went over housekeeping items and the [Community Agreement](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1vGjFDanC5eqWAgVsx3VvBp98ePZQTcuBbHj7S9Z8_lg/edit?usp=sharing).
* School Ward Reps who were in attendance introduced themselves briefly

### Moment of Joy

* Superintendent Erin Altosaar shared the [Ward 7 Joy](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MKybPCaqzpx2SI-Si0r7YCeHGqVfS-Uf/view?usp=sharing) <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MKybPCaqzpx2SI-Si0r7YCeHGqVfS-Uf/view?usp=sharing>
  + Students at Howard Park JPS Presented the Musical Shrek
  + Annette JPS and High Park Alternative held a Family STEM Night

### FSLCAC & PIAC Updates

* [French as a Second Language Community Advisory Committee (FSLCAC)](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Community/How-to-Get-Involved/Advisory-Committees/Community-Advisory-Committees/French-as-a-Second-Language-Community-Advisory-Committee)
* [Parent Involvement Advisory Committee (PIAC)](https://www.torontopiac.com/home)
  + PIAC held a very successful [Ready Set Engage: Bridging the Gap Conference](https://www.torontopiac.com/whats-happening/conferences), their first in-person conference since 2020.

### Trustee Update

* [**Meeting Presentation: pages 22-27**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Jb175VgR1-TWQQDmqxSjOquWrPmY9atT/view?usp=sharing)
* [May is Asian Heritage Month at the TDSB](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/home/ctl/Details/mid/43823/itemId/110) p.22
* [May is Jewish Heritage Month at the TDSB](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Media/News/ArtMID/2750/ArticleID/1802/Jewish-Heritage-Month-%E2%80%93-May-2023) p.22
  + June 4 event to commemorate the 90th anniversary of [Christie Pits Riot.](https://www.myseumoftoronto.com/programming/microhistories-christie-pits-riot/) A special pre-game program will take place from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. that will include student performances. [The baseball game featuring the Toronto Maple Leaf Baseball Club vs. the Hamilton Cardinals will begin immediately afterwards at 2:00 p.m.](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/home/ctl/Details/mid/43823/itemId/119)
* You can still have your say on the [Multi-Year Strategic Plan Renewal](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Leadership/Boardroom/Multi-Year-Strategic-Plan/MYSP-Renewal)p.22
* Information on the  [Student Census Survey](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/research/Research/Parent-and-Student-Census) p.22
* Recent Staff Reports p.23:
  + [Human Rights Annual Report 2021-2022](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15355)\*
  + [Caring and Safe Schools Annual Report 2021-2022](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15355)
  + [Learning Opportunities Index Policy Update](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15466)\*
  + [Fundraising Policy](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15466) (P021)\*
  + [Science/STEM and Robotics Update](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15338)
  + [Special Education and Inclusion Annual Report](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15338)
  + [The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement, Year 1 Update](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15510)
  + [Central Student Interest Programs](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15555)
  + [A Collaborative Approach to School and Community Safety](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15555)
* Motions and Advocacy p.24
  + [Bill 98, Better Schools and Outcomes Act:](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/home/ctl/Details/mid/43824/itemId/117) TDSB submission with perspectives on surplus properties, multi-year plans, business affairs of the board, support personnel, design standardization, integrity commissioners and integrated planning with municipalities.
  + [Urgent Meeting Request re: Unfunded Benefit and Sick Leave Costs:](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/home/ctl/Details/mid/43824/itemId/113) In 2023-24, TDSB employee benefit and sick leave costs are projected to be underfunded by $47.3 million. TDSB has no control over these costs as they are set by other levels of government.
  + [Special Incidence Portion Claim Funding:](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/home/ctl/Details/mid/43824/itemId/112) The Ministry’s SIP amount covers only a fraction of the cost to our school board that is required to properly support students with significant learning needs. The remaining amount must be covered through other Special Education and operational grants.
  + [IDC4U: Deconstructing Anti-Black Racism Course Code:](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=15510) Motion moved by King/Dawson on behalf of Student Trustees to request Ministry of Education assign the course a unique course code
* [2023-2024 Budget Development](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/budget) p.25, 26
  + Ministry of Education Funding announcement now received
  + Pandemic Recovery Funding will not continue
  + Some funding highlights include:
    - New formula for student transportation funding
    - Safe and Clean Schools Supplement
    - Stabler summer learning supports
    - No increase for staff benefit or sick leave costs
  + Next Steps
    - May 23: Financial Position Update and Options to Balance Budget
    - June 1: Consideration of the Staff report on options to balance the Operating Budget
    - June 7: Board-wide budget Information sessions
    - June 12: Delegations on Proposed Budget
    - June 13: Trustee feedback
    - June 20, 22: Review and consideration of final Operating and Capital Budgets
  + PIAC Advocacy Letter Templates
    - [Parent Advocacy Letter Template](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NZ1aDgORJ6bbrTy3iSPQ7J5iKEzKA-S6/view?mc_cid=362726632a&mc_eid=a3b2dbe83c)
    - [School Council Letter Template](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aUsPK0BK9vLJ_Vj92LzNQjOXgafUDCIp/view?mc_cid=362726632a&mc_eid=a3b2dbe83c)
* Topics throughout the system and ward p.27
  + Addressing Staff Absences
    - An arrangement has been made with the Elementary Teachers Federation of Ontario (ETFO) to put approx 235 occasional teachers into the system
    - Teaching staff has also been redeployed from centrally assigned staff to cover staff absences
  + Safety Concerns
    - [Addressing School Safety](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/Caring-Safe-Schools/Addressing-School-Safety)
  + Experiences of Hate and Bias
    - [Trustee King’s remarks on the Human Rights 2021-2022 Annual Report](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1q7xQZkz3JOUGXqQv0STHpogoXP4LZOCF/view?usp=sharing) <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1q7xQZkz3JOUGXqQv0STHpogoXP4LZOCF/view?usp=sharing>
    - <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Equity-Anti-Racism-and-Anti-Oppression/Anti-Hate-Anti-Racism-Strategy>
    - <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/CEBSA/Reports>

### Links and Information

* Minutes from past Ward 7 Meetings
  + <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/ward7/Ward-7/Ward-Council>
* Event: [Halting Hate, Resisting Racism and Increasing Inclusion: Building Better Communities of Care Through Our Schools](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4aa8a623a6fbc07-antioppression). WednesdayMay 24, 20235:30-8:00 pm. Ursula Franklin Academy.