

## THAMES VALLEY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

### CHAIR'S COMMITTEE

**February 18, 2025, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Governor Simcoe**

#### **MEMBERS**

B. Mai (Chair)  
 D. Cripps  
 L. Pizzolato

#### **ADMINISTRATION AND OTHERS**

W. Tucker  
 K. Wilkinson  
 D. Hancock

#### **1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda**

Chair Mai called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

The agenda was approved, without objection.

#### **2. Conflicts of Interest**

None declared.

#### **3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Without objection, the minutes of the 2025 January 21 meeting were approved as printed.

#### **4. Unfinished Business**

##### **a. Chair's Committee Self-Assessment Survey 2023-2024 (Item #5)**

Self-assessment results were reviewed, and positive feedback was highlighted.

Discussion considered the timeline to administer and complete the surveys, and extending the frequency of the survey completion to every two years.

It was determined the Chair would raise committee self assessments at the Board Governance and Bylaw Committee to review the timeline of self assessments, and survey consistency.

##### **b. Reporting Out from Committee of the Whole, In-Camera (Item #7)**

It was determined this item would be deferred pending the return of the Supervisor of Board Services to address the item directly.

**c. City of London Discussion Regarding Playgrounds (Item #8.c.4)**

It was determined this item would be deferred to the March Chair's Committee meeting pending the Director's meeting.

**d. Near North District School Board Letter (Item #9)**

The Chair reported the letter was not discussed at the Ontario Public School Board's Association Western Region meeting.

It was determined there would be no further action at this time.

**e. Other Business: Board Meeting Schedule (Item #12)**

The Chair reiterated the discussion from the January Chair's meeting regarding adding additional Regular meetings to the approved meeting schedule.

Discussion considered making a recommendation to the Board to add regular meetings, Bylaws surrounding Regular Board meetings, the prescribed nature of Special Board meetings, and the process for making amendments to the Bylaws.

**5. Review Upcoming Meeting Agendas (Standing Item)**

**a. Board Annual Work Plan and Multi Year Strategic Plan**

The Board's Annual Work Plan and Multi Year Strategic Plan is referenced for information.

**b. 2025 February 25 Regular Board Agenda**

The committee reviewed the agenda and discussed the context of any recommendations coming from committee reports for the Public Board meeting of 2025 February 25.

**c. Agenda Request Items for Consideration**

**1. Thames Valley Education Fund Presentation to TVDSB Board**

The Chair provided a summary of the request noting the Thames Valley Education Fund (TVEF) requested to present to the Board in the fall for information.

Discussion considered the disconnect from external committees, the best process to bring updates to Trustees, and the importance

of updates and reports making connections and alignment with the Board's vision, mission and Multi Year Strategic Plan.

The following motion was moved and **ADOPTED**.

THAT the Thames Valley Education Fund update come under Trustee Updates from External Committees through TVEF.

It was determined this presentation will be added to the Regular Board workplan for the fall, and Trustees Larsen and Polhill coordinate the presentation from TVEF with Board Services.

**d. Correspondence**

**1. March Villager Article Trustees Pizzolato and Polhill**

A draft of the article submitted by Trustees Pizzolato and Polhill was reviewed for approval for inclusion in the March Villager.

**2. March Villager Article Trustees Mai and Moore**

A draft of the article submitted by Trustees Mai and Moore was reviewed for approval for inclusion in the March Villager.

The following motion was moved and **ADOPTED**:

THAT both articles be approved for inclusion in the March Villager.

**e. Public Input**

None.

**6. Trustee Communication (Standing Item)**

None.

**7. Trustee Membership (Standing Item)**

**a. Accessibility Working Group**

There is no update currently. It was determined the Director would follow up with the Human Rights department regarding membership.

**8. Trustee's Office Financial Report (Standing Item)**

The Trustee's monthly financial report was provided in the package for information.

**9. Other Business (Standing Item)**

Discussion considered Administration's current workload and the prioritization of reports for the remainder of the year.

The following recommendation was moved and **CARRIED**:

**THAT all Committee Chairs, with their designates, and the Chair of the Board, review the committee work plans to flag any non-essential reports for rescheduling; and that a session/workshop be booked to review the task.**

**10. In-Camera (Standing Item)**

The committee moved in-camera at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened in public session at 11:28 p.m.

**11. Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting date is scheduled for 2025 March 18.

**12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 p.m. by motion.

**Recommendations:**

THAT all Committee Chairs, with their designates, and the Chair of the Board, review the committee work plans to flag any non-essential reports for rescheduling; and that a session/workshop be booked to review the task.

**Beth Mai**  
Committee Chair

Recording Secretary: DH