

EXECUTIVE REPORT TO FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

TO: Finance and Facilities Committee

FROM: Manny Figueiredo, Director of Education

DATE: May 19, 2016

PREPARED BY: Stacey Zucker, Executive Superintendent of Board Operation and Treasurer

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RE: 2016-17 Budget Estimates

Action ✓ Monitoring □

Recommended Actions:

- 1. That the Board approve the 2016-17 Salary and Benefit expenditures in the amount of \$463,228,610 and that the Executive Superintendent of Board Operation and Treasurer be authorized to proceed with the expenditure of funds as outlined in Appendix C dated May 19, 2016
- 2. That the Board approve the 2016-17 Non-Salary expenditures in the amount of \$66,437,596 and that the Executive Superintendent of Board Operation and Treasurer be authorized to proceed with the expenditure of funds as outlined in Appendix C dated May 19, 2016
- 3. That the Board approve the 2016-17 Capital Budget expenditures in the amount of \$107,033,031 and that the Executive Superintendent of Board Operation and Treasurer be authorized to proceed with the expenditure of funds as outlined in Appendix D dated May 19, 2016. The Executive Superintendent of Board Operation and Treasurer is further authorized to secure short-term financing of project expenditures until such time as permanent funding is secured, if required.

The following appendices provide information regarding the 2016-17 Budget:

Appendix A 2016-17 Summary of Enrolment Projections

Appendix B 2016-17 Operating Budget: Summary of Revenues and Expenditures
Appendix C 2016-17 Summary of Expenditures by Economic Classification

Appendix D 2016-17 Capital Budget
Appendix E 2016-17 Staffing Summary

Rationale/Benefits:

The Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) is financially responsible with a clear focus on providing the system with the resources and supports necessary to support our Board Priorities. The budget presented for the 2016-17 school year reflects this approach.

Our Board Priorities focus on Student Learning and Achievement through effective instructional strategies, building student and staff well-being through positive climate strategies, improving our communication through comprehensive strategies, investment in school renewal to improve school facilities and strengthening our collaboration with new and existing community partners to enhance opportunities for students. Our budget aligns our resources to fulfill this commitment. By aligning our resources through this budget in support of our priorities, we do believe that all students will achieve their full potential.

Highlights:

The following are the key highlights of the 2016-17 Budget:

- Alignment of resources with the Board's approved Priorities has been achieved
- Compliance with all Ministry class size and other regulatory requirements have been achieved (i.e. the 2016-17 Preliminary Operating Budget is balanced.)
- The Board incorporated budget reductions related to:
 - Declining enrolment
 - School closures
 - Attrition

Background:

Overall

The fiscal year for all School Boards in Ontario runs from September 1 to August 31. The basic legislated financial requirements of a School Board are to develop and maintain a balanced budget and be in compliance with the Ministry of Education basic enveloping requirements. The 2016-17 Budget Estimates meets these requirements.

Process

HWDSB's Finance and Facilities Committee has been working towards bringing forward a balanced budget which meets the requirements of the Ministry as well as aligns with the strategic directions of the Board. The Finance and Facilities Committee usually meets on a monthly basis but began meeting on a weekly basis on March 31, 2016 to review all aspects of the 2016-17 Budget Estimates. At the same time, the following reports were brought forward to the Board for approval:

- January 25, 2016- Approval of Key Parameters/Assumptions to Guide 2016-17 Budget Development
- April 18, 2016 Approval of 2016-17 School Based Staffing

In addition, the preliminary special education budget for 2016-17 was shared with the Special Education Advisory Committee on April 27, 2016.

The key objective of the Budget Development Process is to align the allocation of resources with the Board Priorities, identify school based staffing requirements; identify budget challenges and opportunities, and the development of key messages to be included in the communication plan.

Enrolment (Appendix A)

The Ministry of Education allocates funding to School Boards using a model that is based on enrolment and the needs of students in each board. Enrolment is based on Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) enrolment for October 31st and March 31st. These two fixed-in-time FTE enrolment values are combined to produce the annualized Average Daily Enrolment (ADE). HWDSB enrolment projections are based on historical enrolment trends and student retention rates on a school by school basis. These enrolments are reviewed by the school administration and adjustments are made if required.

An estimated ADE of 34,134 elementary students has been used to develop the 2016-17 Budget Estimates which is a decrease of 164.00 ADE or .48% from the 2015-16 Budget Estimates. This decrease is consistent with the decline in enrolment experienced by the Board since 2014-15 now that FDK is fully implemented. An ADE of 14,110.25 has been estimated for secondary students, a decrease of 837.00 or 5.6% from the 2015-16 Budget Estimates. This is consistent with the decline in enrolment that the Board, and the Province, has been experiencing over the past 12 years. The overall projected ADE is 48,244.25 which represent a 2.03% decrease from the 2015-16 Estimates.

Operating Revenue Projections (Appendix B)

The Ministry of Education's Electronic Financial Information System (EFIS) forms have been used to calculate the Grant for Student Needs (GSN). 98% of total operating revenue comes from the Province through the GSN. The 2016-17 GSN is estimated to be \$518.1 million which is an increase of approximately \$2.1 million or .4% over the 2015-16 Budget Estimates. The increase in GSN funding for HWDSB is due to declining enrolment, school closure and increases to salary benchmarks announced by the Ministry on March 24, 2016 to fund the Central Labour Agreements.

The remaining \$11.6 million in operating revenue comes from other Ministry grants and miscellaneous revenue. This amount is consistent with prior years.

Operating Expenditure Projections (Appendix B and C)

The operating expenditures are projected to be \$525.7 million, an increase of approximately \$3.0 million or .58 % from the 2015-16 Budget Estimates.

Operating expenditures include a salary component (approximately 87%) and a non-salary component (approximately 13%).

The operating expenditures budget has been increased for a number of reasons including:

- Required increases for benefits, leases and other known fixed increases.
- Increases to salaries in accordance with the Central Labour Agreements (funded by the Ministry).
- Additional staffing to meet class size compliance and student need

The operating expenditures budget has also been decreased for a number of reasons including:

- To reflect decreases in expenditures as a result of declining enrolment.
- To reflect the savings as a result of school closures.
- To reflect the savings as a result of reduction in transportation services to realign budget with actual spending.
- To reflect savings from one time computing equipment expenditures that were in 2015-16 Budget

Capital Budget (Appendix D)

Each year, the Board prepares a capital budget based on the capital projects expected to be completed during the year. These projects are either funded by the Ministry of Education through various capital grants or by the Board through proceeds of disposition of surplus properties. In 2016-17, the Board is projected to spend approximately \$64.7 million on capital related projects.

In addition, the Board will pay interest on debentures for previous capital projects in the amount of \$7.6 million. This amount is fully supported by the Ministry through the GSN.

Conclusion

The Budget Estimates reflect the projected funding and proposed expenditure needs for 2016-17.

Once information on actual enrolments becomes available, it is likely that budget revisions will be required. The Ministry requires the submission of Revised Estimates, in December 2016, based on actual October enrolment and funding from the Province will be adjusted to reflect any changes. In addition, the Ministry continues to announce other Provincial operating grants and these will be included along with the corresponding expenditures.

It is also important to note that this budget is based on staff's interpretation of the best known information regarding ongoing implementation of the Central Labour Agreements at this time and will likely change once all labour issues are resolved. Any revenue and expenditure effects will be included in the Revised Estimates in December 2016.

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2016/2017 Budget Estimates

Enrolment Projections

	2015/2016 Budget Estimate	2016/2017 Budget Estimate	Increase (Decrease) ADE	Increase (Decrease) %
Elementary				
Full Day Kindergarten	6,298.00	6,351.00	53.00	0.84%
Primary	10,597.00	10,280.00	(317.00)	(2.99%)
Grades 4 -8	16,795.00	16,946.00	151.00	0.90%
Special Education	608.00	555.00	(53.00)	(8.72%)
Total Elementary Enrolment	34,298.00	34,132.00	(166.00)	(0.48%)
Total Secondary Enrolment	14,947.25	14,110.25	(837.00)	(5.60%)
Total Enrolment	49,245.25	48,242.25	(1,003.00)	(2.04%)

Average Daily Enrolment (ADE)

Average Daily Enrolment is calculated based on the existing two count dates (October 31 and March 31) within the board's fiscal year. The full-time equivalent of pupils enrolled will be weighted at 0.5 for each of the count dates,.

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Summary of Operating Revenues and Expenditures

	2016/2017 Budget Estimates	2015/2016 Budget Estimates	Increase (Decrease) Over 2015/2016 Budget Estimates		2014/2015 Actuals	
	\$	\$	\$	%	\$	
Revenues:						
Grants for Student Needs	518,107,303	516,047,691	2,059,612		516,316,110	
Other Ministry Grants	6,334,508	6,131,658	202,850		10,887,094	
Miscellaneous	5,224,395	4,458,028	766,367		5,933,968	
Total Revenues:	529,666,206	526,637,377	3,028,829	0.58%	533,137,172	
Expenditures:						
Program Instruction:						
Classroom Teachers	314,131,769	309,385,371	4,746,398		309,770,089	
System Principals, Consultants & Support	5,258,630	5,008,103	250,527		4,669,139	
Occasional Teachers	8,435,000	9,300,000	(865,000)		11,470,483	
Educational Assistants	30,117,194	29,772,191	345,003		30,419,082	
Early Childhood Educators	12,121,123	11,904,564	216,559		10,962,452	
Professional & Para-Professionals	16,516,296	16,253,901	262,395		16,304,192	
Class Texts, Instructional Supplies	16,608,078	17,110,190	(502,112)		15,511,046	
Instructional Computers	4,616,910	5,774,800	(1,157,890)		5,314,730	
Instructional Staff Development	3,502,969	3,036,971	465,998		3,801,879	
School Administration	33,155,885	33,155,918	(33)		33,679,108	
Continuing Education	4,534,747	4,262,697	272,050		6,087,843	
	448,998,600	444,964,706	4,033,894	0.91%	447,990,043	
Program Support:						
Board Administration & Governance	13,140,701	13,309,677	(168,976)		13,117,982	
School Operations	50,116,414	50,162,994	(46,580)		53,747,671	
Transportation	15,410,491	16,200,000	(789,509)		14,759,594	
	78,667,606	79,672,671	(1,005,065)	(1.26%)	81,625,247	
Non-Operating:					687,211	
Contingency:	2,000,000	2,000,000	-		-	
Total Expenditures:	529,666,206	526,637,377	3,028,829	0.58%	530,302,501	
Accumulated Surplus	-				2,834,671	

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Summary of Expenditures by Expense Type

	2016/2017 Budget Estimates	2015/2016 Budget Estimates	Increase (De Over 2015 Budge	5/2016 [°]	2014/2015 Actuals	
	* *	\$	\$	%	\$	
Remuneration						
Salaries & Wages	383,732,556	378,152,269	5,580,287		379,594,582	
Employee Benefits	65,261,723	64,354,666	907,057		64,278,747	
Temporary Assistance	14,234,331	15,734,331	(1,500,000)		18,695,130	
	463,228,610	458,241,266	4,987,344	1.09%	462,568,459	
Consumables						
Professional Development	3,642,769	3,215,971	426,798		3,933,753	
Textbooks & Supplies	22,144,057	22,437,900	(293,843)		21,429,509	
Energy	9,877,900	9,877,900	-		10,100,170	
Repairs & Minor Renovations	3,520,000	3,202,840	317,160		3,434,943	
Computing Equipment	1,020,516	2,147,746	(1,127,230)		3,719,863	
Rentals	2,316,922	2,681,180	(364,258)		1,735,953	
Fees & Contractual Services	6,412,477	6,594,339	(181,862)		8,261,757	
Other Expense	875,894	815,387	60,507		893,000	
	49,810,535	50,973,263	(1,162,728)	(2.28%)	53,508,948	
Transportation	14,627,061	15,422,848	(795,787)	(5.16%)	14,225,094	
Contingency	2,000,000	2,000,000	-			
Accumulated Surplus	-	-	-		2,834,671	
Total Expenditures	529,666,206	526,637,377	3,028,829	0.58%	533,137,172	

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2016-17 Capital Budget

Summary of Funding Sources and Expenditures

	2016/2017 Budget Estimates	2015/2016 Budget Estimates	Increase (De Over 2015 Budget Est	/2016
	\$	\$	\$	%
Funding Sources:]			
Ministry Capital Allocation	52,244,000	64,305,423	(12,061,423)	(18.76%)
Estimated Proceeds of Disposition	12,500,000	5,000,000	7,500,000	150.0%
Ministry Capital Debt (Interest) Support Payment	7,609,723 *	7,882,809	(273,086)	(3.46%)
Temporary Accommoation	722,014	302,500	419,514	138.7%
Amortization	33,957,394	29,738,383	4,219,011	14.2%
Total Funding Sources	\$ 107,033,131	\$ <u>107,229,115</u> \$	(195,984)	(0.18%)
Expenditures:				
Construction in Progress	64,744,000 "	69,305,423	(4,561,423)	(6.58%)
Capital Debt Interest	7,609,723 *	7,882,809	(273,086)	(3.46%)
Temporary Accomodations	722,014	302,500	`419,514 [°]	138.7%
Amortization	33,957,394	29,738,383	4,219,011	14.2%
Total Expenditures	\$ 107,033,131 ^	\$ 107,229,115 \$	(195,984)	(0.18%)

NOTES

- * The Ministry fully funds the payment of debentures related to previously approved capital projects. These are corresponding revenues and expenses related to the interest payments for these amounts.
- " See Appendix D-1 for Construction in Progress projects.
- ^ Each year, the Board prepares its capital budget based on the expected projects to be completed during the year. Sometimes, due to unforeseen circumstances, not all of the work gets completed.

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Construction in Progress

New North Secondary School
Nora F. Henderson Secondary School
Tiffany Hills Elementary School
New Greensville Elementary School
New Beverly Elementary School
Dalewood Elementary School Renovation
Franklin Road Elementary School
Ridgemount Elementary School
Pauline Johnson Elementary School
Secondary Facility Benchmark Projects
Elementary Facility Benchmark Projects
Secondary Program Strategy Projects
School Renewal Projects

Total

Expenditures	Funding Sources							
Total		School						
Estimated	Capital	Consolidation	Full Day	Other	SRG	Proceeds of	Total	
Capital Budget	Priorities	Capital	Kindergarten	Ministry	and SCI	Disposition	Funding	
14,000,000	14,000,000						14,000,000	
4,000,000	4,000,000						4,000,000	
1,000,000	1,000,000						1,000,000	
500,000	500,000						500,000	
3,000,000		3,000,000					3,000,000	
500,000						500,000	500,000	
2,427,000		450,000	494,000	1,483,000			2,427,000	
3,520,000		2,384,000	494,000		642,000		3,520,000	
3,797,000		2,422,000	1,375,000		-		3,797,000	
11,000,000					7,000,000	4,000,000	11,000,000	
11,000,000					5,000,000	6,000,000	11,000,000	
2,000,000						2,000,000	2,000,000	
8,000,000					8,000,000		8,000,000	
\$ 64,744,000	19,500,000	8,256,000	2,363,000	1,483,000	20,642,000	12,500,000	\$ 64,744,000	

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Summary of Staffing

2016/2017 Budget Estimates	2015/2016 Budget Estimates	Inc (Dec) Over 15/16 Budget	Notes	2014/15 Actual
2,100.30	2,115.50	(15.20)	2	2,112.70
1,006.93	1,059.50	(52.57)	2	1,079.00
3,107.23	3,175.00	(67.77)		3,191.70
585.00	582.00	3.00	3	579.00
230.00	226.00	4.00	2	220.00
166.10	167.10	(1.00)	5	168.60
160.00	161.00	(1.00)	2	165.00
197.50	198.50	(1.00)	4	198.50
357.50	359.50	(2.00)		363.50
40.67	39.67	1.00	2,6	38.67
4.00	4.00	0.00		4.00
44.67	43.67	1.00		42.67
10.50	10.50	0.00		10.50
4,501.00	4,563.77	(62.77)	_	4,575.97
112.00	114.00	(2.00)	7	115.00
430.00	432.50		4	441.50
5.50	5.50	0.00		5.50
547.50	552.00	(4.50)	_	562.00
8.50	8.50	0.00		8.50
5,057.00	5,124.27	(67.27)		5,146.47
	44.67 10.50 4,501.00 112.00 430.00 5.50 547.50	44.67 43.67 10.50 10.50 4,501.00 4,563.77 112.00 114.00 430.00 432.50 5.50 5.50 547.50 552.00 8.50 8.50	44.67 43.67 1.00 10.50 10.50 0.00 4,501.00 4,563.77 (62.77) 112.00 114.00 (2.00) 430.00 432.50 (2.50) 5.50 5.50 0.00 547.50 552.00 (4.50) 8.50 8.50 0.00	44.67 43.67 1.00 10.50 10.50 0.00 4,501.00 4,563.77 (62.77) 112.00 114.00 (2.00) 7 430.00 432.50 (2.50) 4 5.50 5.50 0.00 547.50 552.00 (4.50) 8.50 0.00

2015/16 Budget staffing represents impact of enrolment projections, legislative and collective agreements, class size compl Reflects impact of change in enrolment

Staffing enhancement to support student need

Staffing changes due to school closure

Staffing changes due to restructuring Professionals & Paraprofessionals

Staffing changes due to Ministry transferring EPO revenue to GSN allowing temporary positions to be permanent

Staffing changes to reflect restructuring of Board Admin & Governance due to retirements