Audit Committee

Thursday, May 30, 2019 Room 340D

Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board 20 Education Court, P.O. Box 2558 Hamilton, ON L8N 3L1

AGENDA: 5:30

HWDSB

1.	Call to Order					
2.	Approval of the Agenda					
3.	Review of March 21, 2019 Audit Committee Report to Board					
4.	Declaration of Conflicts of Interest – Signoff on form					
5.	. Update on School Board Sector Issues					
6.	. Update from Regional Internal Audit Team					
7.	 Resolution into Private Session as per the Education Act, Section 207.2 a) the security of the property of the board. b) the disclosure of intimate, personal or financial information in respect of a member of the board or committee, an employee or prospective employee of the board or a pupil or his or her parent or guardian. 	D. Danko				
8.	Meeting resumes in Public Session					
9.	. Any Other Business					
10. Adjournment						

COMMITTEE REPORT

Presented to: Board Date of Meeting: April 15, 2019

From: Audit Committee Date of Meeting: March 21, 2019

The committee held a meeting from 5:41 p.m. to 8:10 p.m. on March 21, 2019 at 20 Education Court, Hamilton, ON, in Meeting Room 340D with Trustee Danko presiding.

Members present were: Trustees Christine Bingham, Dawn Danko and Paul Tut. External members present were: Carol Calvazara and John Laratta. Trustee Alex Johnstone and Student Trustee Cameron Prosic were also in attendance.

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Election of the Chair

On the motion of Paul Tut the Audit Committee appoints Trustee Dawn Danko as Chair of the Audit Committee for the remainder of 2019.

CARRIED

B. Regional Internal Audit Mandate

In 2016: SB31 'Update on Regional Internal Audit Consistency Measures' was issued. This memo introduced a revised Regional Internal Audit Mandate that states:

"All school boards in the province should adopt the updated version of the mandate in 2016-17. Further, the mandate should be presented to the audit committee annually and re-signed in any year there is a change in the signatories so that all parties are aware of and approve the mandate."

On the motion of Paul Tut the Audit Committee recommends that the Audit Committee adopt the Regional Internal Audit Mandate.

CARRIED

MONITORING ITEMS:

B. Annual Review of Audit Committee Terms of Reference

Committee members reviewed the Terms of Reference and no changes were made.

C. Review of Audit Committee Work Plan

Committee members reviewed the Annual Work Plan.

D. Update on School Board Sector Issues

School boards across Ontario are currently in the process of developing their budgets for 2019-2020 which is due to the Ministry June 30, 2019. The actual grant amounts will not be known until the end of April and staff are working with Executive Council and the Finance and Facilities Committee to look at ways to balance the budget while minimizing the impact to students and aligning with the Board's strategic directions.

Declaration to the Chair of the Audit Committee of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board by a Member of the Audit Committee as to Whether or Not the Member has a Conflict of Interest

1.)	This Declaration applies to: (check one)						
		а)		nittee meetings of the cal year 2018-19;	e Audit Committee		
		b)	any chang	ges subsequent to th	e fiscal year declar	ation.	
2.)	defi	ned by ·2.		_, declare that I do no			
3.)	by S beca by t	, declare that I have a conflict of interest as defin- (name of member) y Subsection 4(2) of O. Reg 361/10, Education Act, RSO 1990 C.E-2 ecause one or more of my: parent(s), child(ren)or spouse is/are employ y the Board at this time. trike out if inapplicable)					
Dated	d at C	ity, On	tario this	day of		, 2018.	
				Audit C	dit Committee Member		

Note: Subsection 4(2) O. Reg 361/10, Education Act, RSO 1990 C.E-2 states:

"4(2) For the purposes of clause (1)(c), a person has a conflict of interest if his or her parent, child or spouse is employed by the board".

Written declarations must be submitted to the Chair of the committee at the first meeting of the committee in each fiscal year as per Subsection 14(1) O. Reg 361/10.



MEMO

To: Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Audit Committee

From: Jenny Baker, Regional Internal Audit Manager

Date: 30 May 2019

Subject: Regional Internal Audit Status Report – Public Session

This memorandum will serve to update the Audit Committee of the Regional Internal Audit Team's work since March 21, 2019.

C. Other

Annual Independence Assertion

In compliance with S1110 of the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing, I am confirming that the regional internal audit team is organizationally independent and has been allowed to carry out its' responsibilities in an unbiased manner, free from interference in determining the scope of internal audit projects, performing work, and communicating results.