

# **Updated Proposed 2020-2021 Budget Schedule and Process**

**To:** Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee

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### **Strategic Directions**

Transform Student Learning

- Create a Culture for Student and Staff Well-Being
- Provide Equity of Access to Learning Opportunities for All Students
- Allocate Human and Financial Resources Strategically to Support Student Needs
- Build Strong Relationships and Partnerships Within School Communities to Support Student Learning and Well-Being

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Updated Proposed 2020-2021 Budget Schedule and Process be approved.

### Context

The Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee mandate is to consider and make recommendations to the Board on finance matters, including procurement and contract awards, referred to it for consideration, review the impact of enrolment and policy change on the Board's budget, including reviewing the impact of enrolment trends, and marketing strategies to bolster enrolment in declining areas of the city; and consider strategies to balance the capital and operating budget over a multi-year period, and to make recommendations to the Board to balance the annual capital and operating budget. The Committee also considers facility related issues, including leases, plant operations, maintenance, architect selection and sketch plan approvals.

Staff have updated the 2020-2021 budget schedule below:

### Proposed Budget Schedule

It should be noted that this schedule assumes that the relevant information on staffing and funding levels are provided by the Ministry in the usual timelines. Should there be a delay in this information due to the current labour negotiations the schedule will be adjusted as needed.

Month	Milestone
10 October 2019	Present budget schedule for Trustees to review
7 November 2019	<ul> <li>Presentation of GSN consultation documentation (oral update)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Review of Budget Drivers</li> </ul>
January 22, 2020	Update on budget reductions in 2019-20 by Ward
	<ul> <li>Report on 2018-19 operating results</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report for 2019-2020 financial position</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Updated budget timelines based on Trustee feedback</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Update on GSN consultations</li> </ul>
February 26, 2020	Three year enrolment and financial position projections
	<ul> <li>Public communication and consultation plan on 2020-2021 budget</li> </ul>
	Financial Facts presentation
March 12, 2020	Presentation and approval of school based staffing
	<ul> <li>Staff present 2020-2021 budget including year two</li> </ul>
	recommendations from 2019-2020 budget and preliminary
	options to balance
	<ul> <li>Update if available on GSN announcement</li> </ul>
April 2, 2020	Regular FBEC meeting
April 20, 2020	<ul> <li>Staff analysis of GSN announcement with release of detailed budget working papers</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Final options to balance 2020-2021 budget presented</li> </ul>
	including a detailed budget report.
	Capital Revenues analysis based on GSN announcements
May 5, 2020	Public deputations on budget
May 13, 2020	2020-2021 Operating Budget Discussion
	2020-2021 Capital budget reviewed
May 25, 2020	Tentative Meeting for budget discussion
June 9, 2020	FBEC meeting for approval of the Board 2020-2021
	Operating and Capital Budgets.
June 17, 2020	<ul> <li>Board Meeting to approve 2020-2021 Operating and Capital Budgets</li> </ul>

#### **Action Plan and Associated Timeline**

This budget implementation plan will be updated regularly to reflect requested changes and Ministry announcements.

### **Resource Implications**

The Board is required to pass a balanced operating and capital budget with submission of the appropriate documents to the Ministry of Education by 30 June 2020.

#### **Communications Considerations**

The Board website will include a section on the budget process, where all documents relating to the budget process will be accessible. The Budget webpage will include a meeting schedule, how to depute at meetings and information on community consultation.

## **Board Policy and Procedure Reference(s)**

Not Applicable.

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