

Name of Committee: Community Use of Schools Community Advisory Committee (CUSCAC)

Meeting Date: December 3, 2024

Notes

Attendance via Zoom Meeting:

Sara Ehrhardt, Ward 15 Trustee (Co-Chair); **Judy Gargaro**, Etobicoke Philharmonic Orchestra (Co-Chair); **Zakir Patel**, Ward 19 Trustee; **Susan Fletcher**, SPACE; **Dennis Keshinro**, Belka Enrichment; **Dave McNee**, Quantum Sports and Learning Association; **Heather Mitchell**, Community Sport Collective; **Jessica Murphy**, The Leacock Foundation; **Adib Razavi**, Strong Play Canada; **Andres Tucci Clarke**, Sistema Toronto Academy; **Alex Viliansky**, Felix Swim School; **Graham Welsh**, Toronto Sports Social Club; **Jonathan Wood**, Toronto Accessible Sports Council.

Also present were: **Dennis Hastings**, Ward 1 Trustee; **Maia Puccetti**, Executive Officer, Facilities and Planning; **Monday Gala**, Superintendent of Education, FOS21; **Jonathan Grove**, Senior Manager, Operations, Maintenance and Community Use; **Shirley Adderley**, Regional Manager, Central Services; **Ndaba Njobo**, Manager, Facility Issues and System Liaison; **Ugonma Ekeanyanwu**, Facility Permitting Coordinator; **Salin John**, Facility Permitting Team Leader; **Louisa Ng**, Senior Permit Clerk; **Stephanie Harris**, Comptroller, Finance and Enterprise Risk Management; **Jenesse James**, Executive Assistant, Facilities and Planning.

The following guests participated by electronic means: Sandy Alava-Burbano, Heritage HCCS; Sam Glazer, Congregation Beth Haminyan; Edmund Wang, Scarborough Mandarin Parents Association; Nicolas Hurtado, North Toronto Soccer Club Nitros/Kicks; Fernanda Pisani, CTS Community Swim; Svitlana Androshchuk/Helen Shumilova, Ukrainians in North York

Regrets:

Susan Orellana, Jack of Sports Foundation; Patrick Rutledge, Big League Book Club.

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Call to Order / Quorum / Acknowledgement	The meeting was called to order by Judy Gargaro at	Susan Fletcher

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of Traditional Lands	8:01 a.m.	Dennis Keshinro
Approval of Agenda	The agenda was approved	Jessica Murphy Heather Mitchell
Approval of Minutes: November 12, 2024	The minutes were approved	Heather Mitchell Jonathan Wood
Declarations of Possible Conflict of Interests	Nil	
Delegations	Nil	
<p><u>Permit Unit Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on ongoing items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Permit rate increases: staff report to be presented and discussed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff has been continuing the process of reviewing the permit fees. More time will be needed to refine models and understand variations. Continued collaboration with CUSCAC and the Permit Fees Working Group will ensure a thorough and accurate resolution. Key recommendations include harmonizing permit fee rates across all days of the week, addressing caretaking charges to come closer to cost recovery, and reviewing pool fees and LNSP program subsidy. It is to be noted that modeling revealed significant 	

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	<p>challenges, especially for permit holders using multiple spaces on weekends. The fee increases, initially planned for January, will likely be delayed until March, with the possibility of spreading the increases over a longer period, possibly extending into the next school year. Staff will provide a revised report in early 2025 to allow time for a Permit Fee Working Group meeting and for feedback from this committee.</p>	<p>Action Items:</p>
<p>Committee Goal Related 2024/25:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review for Committee Policy and procedures (Fall 2024) • Budget matters • How can we be more strategic about CUS? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CUSCAC will be reviewed by Standing Committee in January 2025. Following the review, it is anticipated that guidance will follow to address ways in which the committee can further clarify its policy and procedures. • No updates • No updates 	<p>Executive Officer Puccetti will clarify the timeline of the review and the opportunity for the committee to recommend any changes</p>
<p><u>Outstanding Action Items</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pools Working Group Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Maintenance Schedule and 	<p>The Capital Project Status Update was presented at FBEC on November 27, 2024, which contained the</p>	<p>Action Items:</p>

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<p>Renewal Project integration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update from TDSB Pool Committee ● Exterior Facilities Working Group Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cricket fields (deferred to Spring 2025) ● Communication and Website Working Group Update (deferred to the completion of the Permit Fee Working Group) ● AGM summary 	<p>School Renewal Projects (Appendix B), including a list of pool projects being completed. A list of pools slated for maxi inspections is scheduled to be shared in February.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No Updates ● With the completion of the Year B membership election, a community co-chair will be elected at the January 2025 meeting of CUSCAC 	
<p>Trustee Update</p>	<p>The 2025 budget consultations are ongoing, with two key processes for advocating financial support for community use of schools: the Ministry of Education's</p>	

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	<p>consultation and the Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs. Trustees are encouraged to engage in both to document community needs and emphasize the value of utilizing public school buildings.</p> <p>The Finance, Budget, and Enrolment Committee meeting on November 27, 2024, discussed the Major Capital and Renewal Projects report, as well as the final submission on 2025-2026 Education Funding, which included comments on Community Use of Schools funding and its lag behind inflation.</p> <p>At the November Organizational Board meeting, elections were held for the various Committees of the Board. Trustees Ehrhardt and Patel have been re-elected as Trustees to CUSCAC. Trustee Patel has also been elected as the Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees.</p>	
Other Business	December 3 rd is International Day for Persons with Disabilities. Organizations are encouraged to review their policies and procedures to ensure maximum inclusion for staff, clients, and all individuals served.	
Next Meeting Date	Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 8:00 a.m.	

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Adjournment	Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at 9:53 a.m.	Alex Viliansky Andres Tucci Clarke