

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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AGENDA

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 16th, 2023

Hybrid Meeting

CEC: 320 Bloomington Rd W Aurora Ontario
Board Room

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Questions?

Please complete this [form](https://forms.gle/o7CuzGWgg82DL6SE7) to submit any questions

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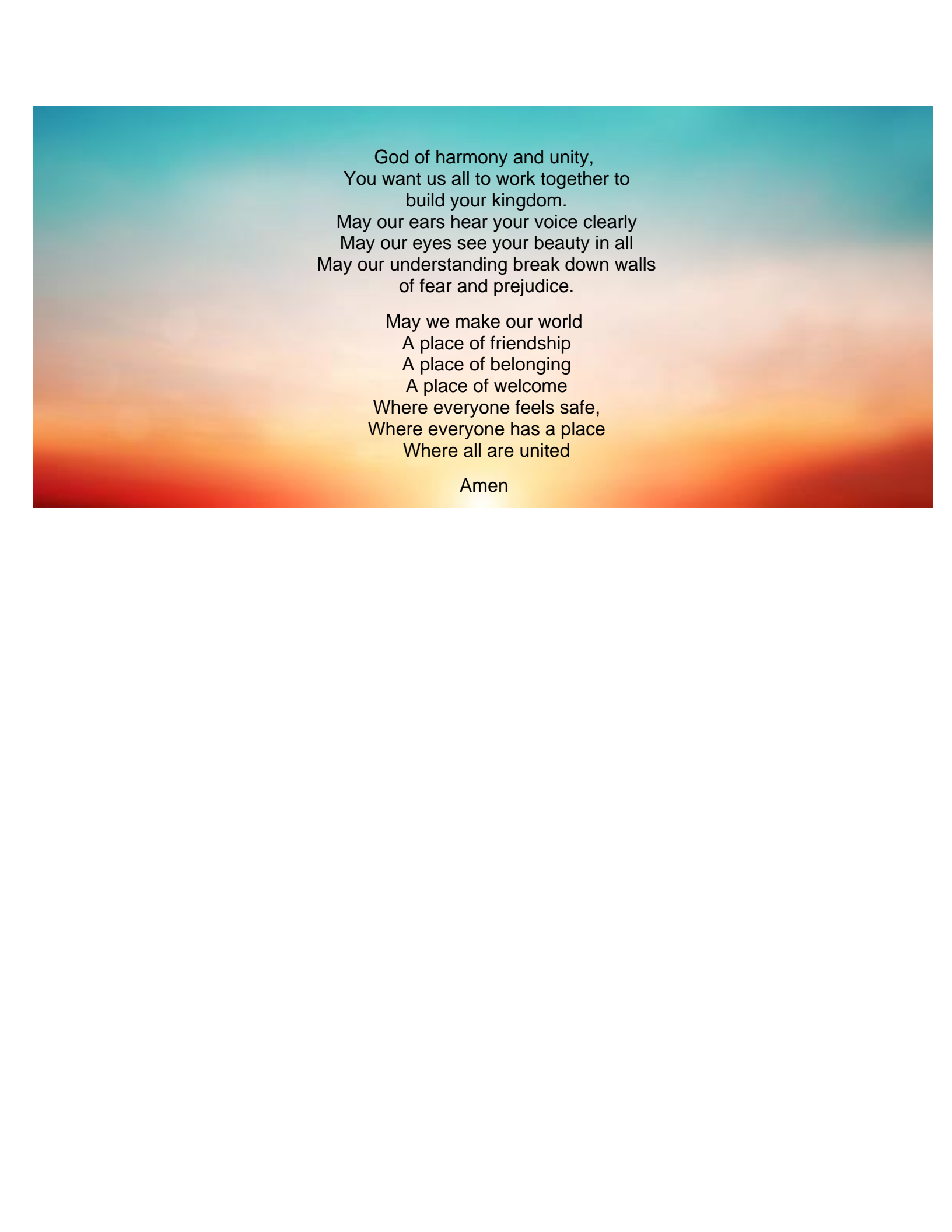
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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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	Time	Item	Resource
1.0	7:00	Call to Order	J. Wigston
2.0	7:02	Prayer Land Acknowledgement	J. Wigston D. Legris
3.0	7:04	3.1 Roll Call 3.2 Approval of New Materials	J. Wigston
4.0	7:10	Moment of Inspiration Mental Health Ambassador Video	M. Prinzo
5.0	7:15	Approval of Agenda of October 16, 2023	J. Wigston
6.0	7:16	Approval of Minutes of September 18 2023	J. Wigston
7.0	7:17	SEAC Report to Board Report 2023:08 – September 2023	J. Wigston
8.0	7:18	Information Items 8.1 Board Meeting Date: October 30, 2023	J. Wigston
9.0	7:19	Correspondence	J. Wigston
10.0	7:20	Presentations/Discussions 10.1 LDAYR Presentation 10.2 Budget Presentation 10.3 Student Services updates	A. Goncalves C. McNeil D. Candido
11.0	8:20	Business Arising	J. Wigston
12.0	8:25	Action Items	J. Wigston
13.0	8:30	Association News	SEAC Representatives
14.0	8:45	Items for Future Agenda Association Presentations Elections (December)	J. Wigston
15.0	8:55	Next Meeting: November 13, 2023	J. Wigston
16.0	9:00	Adjournment	J. Wigston



God of harmony and unity,
You want us all to work together to
build your kingdom.
May our ears hear your voice clearly
May our eyes see your beauty in all
May our understanding break down walls
of fear and prejudice.

May we make our world
A place of friendship
A place of belonging
A place of welcome
Where everyone feels safe,
Where everyone has a place
Where all are united

Amen

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Land Acknowledgement by YCDSB's First Nations, Métis and Inuit Steering Committee adapted with PCS by Alana Miraglia and Elaine Marshal in collaboration with SLP Department

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MINUTES of the SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A regular meeting was held in a hybrid format in person at CEC, 320 Bloomington Rd. W and virtually over Google Meet on **June 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Committee Members:	S, Byrne*, J. Gamboa*, A. Grella*, D. Legris*, J. Man*, L. Webb*, J. Wigston,
Association Representatives:	J. Akleh*, L. Campeotto*, M. Marcello*, C. Sandig*
Administration:	D. Candido, L. Lausic*, E. Strano*
Regrets:	S. Gatti, N. Lai, N. Welch
Recording:	C. Mong*
Guests:	A. Connolly, <i>Parent of YCDSB</i> J. Emery, <i>Kerry's Place</i> L. Marchetti, <i>Special Education Consultant - Hearing, YCDSB</i> A. Miraglia, <i>Itinerant Work Experience Teacher, YCDSB</i> F. Puma, <i>Parent of YCDSB</i> N. Whitebread, <i>Special Education Consultant, YCDSB</i> M. Willis, <i>Kerry's Place</i> M. Xue, <i>Parent of YCDSB</i> Y. Zhou, <i>Parent of YCDSB</i>

*Denotes virtual attendance

CALL TO ORDER / ATTENDANCE

1.0 Prayer and Land Acknowledgement

2.0 Approval of New Material

Nil – No New Material

2.1 Roll Call

3.0 Moment of Inspiration

PA DAY PLAY DAY: This is an annual event for hearing students of YCDSB. This event takes place in May.
Summer Learning Camp: YCDSB offered a Summer Learning camp for students accessing alternative program areas in gr K-8 with funds acquired from the MOE. The program provided a fun, safe, friendly environment with a focus on building various skills. At the end of the program a survey was sent to parents and the feedback was positive, we hope to run this program again next year.
Learning for life: A partnership with YCDSB and Kerry's Place. The program began in 2019, as a half day program. In response to feedback of past participants and families, with MOE funding, this summer YCDSB and Kerry's place was able to run a full day 2-week program at 2 high schools. This program focused on students daily living skills, social skills, community skills to name a few. In both 2019 and 2023, all students demonstrated improvement in all areas. The program received 100% positive feedback.

5.0 Approval of Agenda September 18, 2023

Motion– Agenda approved (Legris / Gamboa)

6.0 Approval of the Minutes June 12, 2023

Motion - Minutes approved (Byrne / Grella)

7.0 SEAC Report to Board

Report 2023:07 – June 2023

8.0 Information Items

8.2 Elks of Canada

8.3 VOICE Canada – Resources for the deaf and hard of hearing community

Items 7.0-8.3 Received on Block – with the removal of 8.1 (Grella / Legris)

9.0 Correspondence

10.0 Presentations / Discussions

10.1 Planning of SEAC Presenters for 2023-2024

- A google form will be sent to association representatives to schedule their associations' presentation.

10.2 Student Services Summer 2022 Recap and updates

- Superintendent Candido presented the successful summer programs and services delivered by the Student Services department over the summer.

10.3 SEAC Goals

- Discussion around goals for this school year and the direction SEAC is heading. A google form to gather association representative feedback will be shared.

11.0 Business Arising

Nil

12.0 Action Items

Nil

13.0 Association Reports

Autism Ontario: The association is working on recruiting SEAC members across the province.

14.0 Items for Future Agendas

- Budget Presentation

15.0 Next Meeting: Monday October 16, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. in a hybrid format over Google Meet and at CEC Board office, 320 Bloomington Rd W Aurora ON.

16.0 Motion to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.

Meeting adjourned (Grella / Legris)

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 2023: 08

To: Regular Board Meeting

September 26, 2023

A meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee was held on **September 18, 2023** in a hybrid format in person at the CEC, 320 Bloomington Rd. W and virtually over Google meet.

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1. **ACTION ITEM(S):** NIL
2. **CORRESPONDENCE:** NIL
3. **PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS/INFORMATION:**
 - Planning of SEAC Presenters for 2023-2024
 - Student Services Summer 2022 Recap and Updates
 - SEAC Goals
4. **ASSOCIATION REPORTS:** NIL
5. **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:**
 - Budget Update
6. **NEXT MEETING:** October 16, 2023

J. WIGSTON, CHAIR, SEAC

Budget and Financial Summary





Special Education Advisory Committee

October 16, 2023

Prepared by: William Kwon, Senior Specialist, Budget
Submitted by: Calum McNeil, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer of the Board
Endorsed by: Domenic Scuglia, Director of Education and Secretary of the Board

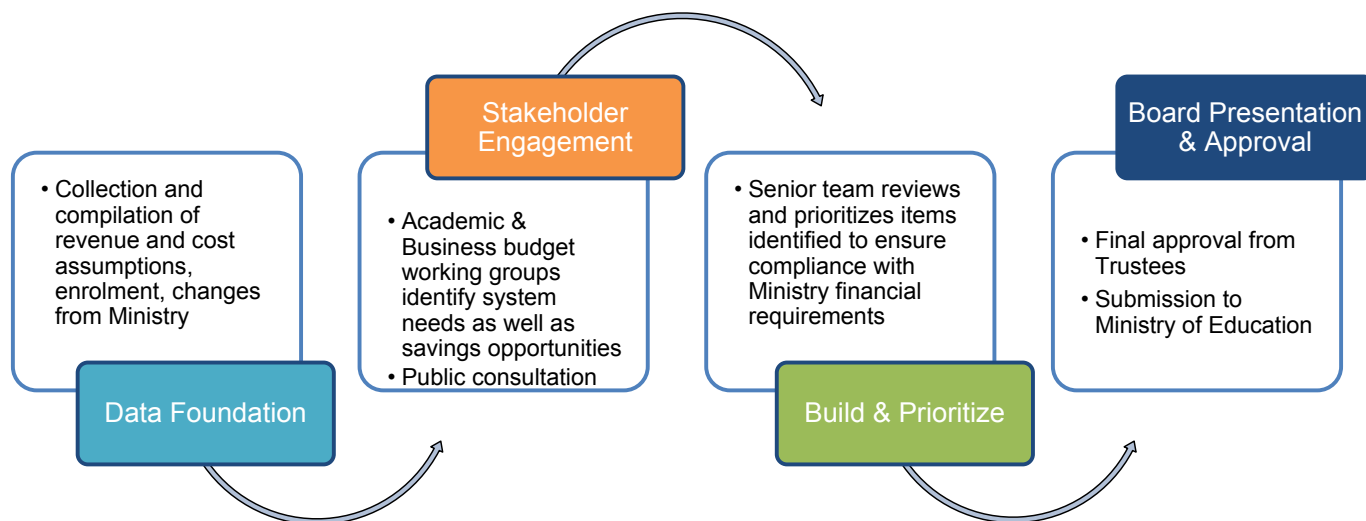


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Budget Process Overview



1. Estimates (March to June 30)

- Based on estimated October 31 and March 31 student enrolments

2. Revised Estimates (October to December 15)

- Based on actual October 31 enrolments and estimated March 31 enrolments

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GSN Special Education Grants (\$ millions)

2022-23	2023-24 EST	Grant Component	Calculation Base
39.0	39.0	SEPPA (Special Education Per-Pupil Amount) Allocation Recognizes the cost of providing additional assistance to the majority of students with special education needs.	ADE
26.0	26.0	DSENA (Differentiated Special Education Needs Amount) Allocation Addresses the variation among school boards with respect to students with special education needs and school boards' abilities to respond to those needs.	Demographic & Statistical Factors
3.0	2.8	SIP (Special Incidence Portion) Allocation Supports students with extraordinarily high needs who require more than two full-time staff to address their health and/or safety needs, and those of others at their school.	Application
2.4	2.4	SEA (Special Equipment Amount) Allocation Funding to school boards to assist with the costs of equipment essential to support students with special education needs.	ADE / Claims
0.6	0.6	ECPP (Education and Community Partnership Program) Allocation Education programs for school-aged children and youth who cannot attend regular school due to their primary need for care treatment or because of a court order to serve a custody or detention sentence.	# of Facilities
0.6	0.6	BEA (Behaviour Expertise Amount) Allocation Funding for school boards to hire board-level Applied Behavior Analysis professionals.	Base + ADE
0.1	0.1	ASSD (After-School Skills Development) Amount Provide students with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other special education needs who may benefit from the program with additional targeted skills development opportunities.	Base + ADE
\$71.7M	\$71.5M		

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Budget Pressure - Pay Equity

Legislative/Contractual Overview

- Pay Equity Act – legal obligation to maintain pay equity for female dominated job classes
- Collective Agreement – Joint Job Evaluation Committee rates bargaining unit positions per Terms of Reference

CUPE Local 2331 Pay Equity Maintenance

- Process started May 2019 and formed part of local contract negotiations
- Agreement in principle reached June 15th
- Settlement includes agreement on pay bands, point breaks, retroactive payments for pay equity, internal equity payments going forward

Financial Impact to Special Education

- 22/23: \$6.5M (including retroactive payments)
- 23/24 and ongoing: \$4.3M

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Financial Summary

(\$ in millions)	2021-22 Financial Statements	2022-23 Financial Statements	2023-24 Estimates
REVENUES			
GRANTS FOR STUDENT NEED (GSN)			
Special Education Grant	70.6	71.7	71.5
Grants for Self Contained Classes	3.2	2.3	2.4
Allocations from Other GSN Grants	1.3	1.3	1.2
Change in Deferred Revenue	(0.3)	0.1	0.9
Supports for Students Fund	3.3	3.1	3.4
GRANTS FOR STUDENT NEED (GSN) TOTAL	78.1	78.5	79.3
NON-GSN GRANTS			
Children's Treatment Network	0.9	0.9	0.7
Priorities & Partnerships Funds & Other Grants	1.0	0.8	0.4
NON-GSN GRANTS TOTAL	1.9	1.7	1.0
TOTAL REVENUES	80.0	80.2	80.3
EXPENSES			
Salary and Benefits	86.4	92.8	90.2
Other Expenses	1.7	2.0	2.3
Non-GSN Grant Expenses	1.9	1.7	1.0
TOTAL EXPENSES	90.0	96.5	93.5
Surplus / (Deficit)	(10.0)	(16.3)	(13.2)

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In-Year Deficit – Budget Pressures Impact

(\$ millions)	2022-23 Financial Statements	2023-24 Estimates
In-year Surplus / (Deficit) before Budget Pressures	(8.3)	(7.2)
Budget Pressures: ⁽¹⁾		
Supply	(2)	(1)
Declining Enrolment ⁽²⁾		(1)
Pay Equity ⁽³⁾	(6)	(4)
In-year Surplus / (Deficit) Reported	(16.3)	(13.2)

(1) Underfunding/overspend

(2) Declining enrolment impact shown for 2022-23 only

(3) Pay Equity impact shown separately as it is a new budget pressure



YCDSB SEAC Meeting Dates

2023-2024

September 18, 2023

October 16, 2023

November 13, 2023

December 11, 2023

January 15, 2024

February 12, 2024

March 4, 2024

April 8, 2024

May 6, 2024

June 17, 2024

Meeting date changes made in red



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