



Governance Committee

Date:	Monday, September 8, 2025
Time:	Following Committee of the Whole
Location:	CEC, St. Francis
Next Meeting Date(s):	October 20, 2025, 5-7 pm January 19, 2026, 5-7 pm March 2, 2026, 5-7 pm May 19, 2026, 5-7 pm
<p>Board of Trustees: Linda Cuff, Kathy Doherty-Masters, Winston Francis, David Guerin, Renée Kraft (Chair), Marisa Phillips, Robert Sikora, Conrad Stanley, Tracey Weiler (Vice-Chair)</p> <p>Governance Committee: Tracey Weiler (Chair of Governance), David Guerin, Kathy Doherty-Masters, Renée Kraft</p> <p>Regrets: N/A</p> <p>Administrative Officials: Annalisa Varano</p> <p>Recording Secretary: Alice Figueiredo</p>	

1. Call to Order (Trustee Weiler)

Meeting was called to order by Trustee Weiler.

1.1 Territorial Acknowledgement

Acknowledged by Trustee Weiler.

1.2 Prayer

Shared by Trustee Weiler.

2. Approval of Agenda (Trustee Weiler)

Trustee Weiler requested approval of the September 8th, 2025, Agenda.

It was moved by Trustee Guerin and seconded by Trustee Doherty-Masters that the agenda for September 8, 2025 Governance be approved.

Carried by Consensus

3. Declared Pecuniary Interest (Trustee Weiler)

None

4. Approval of the Minutes (Trustee Weiler)

Not Applicable as approved at the June Board meeting.

5. Discussion Items

5.1 Board Policy II 007 Code of Conduct

Trustee Weiler led a roundtable discussion regarding Board Policy II-007: Code of Conduct, noting that the policy requires updates for compliance with Ministry of Education requirements.

The discussion included feedback from legal counsel and Ministry of Education requirements.

Trustee Weiler requested that Trustees consider two outstanding issues:

1. Information complaint process
2. Submission of complaints

Discussion included:

- Current process: Public emails the Chair directly (Ministry requirement for checks and balances)
- Several trustees advocated for anonymous reporting options
- Chair Weiler clarified that the WCDSB Fraud and Accountability Line is for stakeholders to report to independent audit staff; public concerns go to the Chair
- Trustees discussed rewording the outstanding sections of the Code of Conduct and agreed that the Chair would send out a final version for review
- Outcome: Chair Weiler requested a motion for the Governance Committee to recommend Board Policy II-007 Code of Conduct for Board approval.

Trustee Weiler requested a motion to bring Board Policy II 007 Code of Conduct forward to the Board meeting for approval.

It was moved by Trustee Guerin and seconded by Trustee Kraft that the Governance Committee recommends bringing Board Policy II 007 Code of Conduct forward to the Board meeting for approval. Carried by Consensus

Trustee Weiler confirmed that she will send the updated Board Policy II 007 Code of Conduct for final review and comment.

6. Pending Items (Trustee Weiler)

N/A

7. Recommendations to Board (Trustee Weiler)

It was moved by Trustee Guerin and seconded by Trustee Kraft that the Governance Committee recommends bringing Board Policy II 007 Code of Conduct forward to the Board meeting for approval. Carried by Consensus

8. Adjournment (Trustee Weiler)

Trustee Weiler requested a motion to adjourn the meeting by the Governance Committee.

It was moved by Trustee Guerin and seconded by Trustee Doherty-Masters that the Governance be adjourned. Carried by Consensus

Time: 9:12 PM