# Name of Committee: Environmental Sustainability Community Advisory Committee (ESCAC)

**Meeting Date**: **October 5, 2021**

Notes

A meeting of the Environment and Sustainability Community Advisory Committee convened on Oct. 5, 2021 from 6:33 p.m. to 8:06 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing, with Sheila Cary-Meagher and Manna Wong presiding.

## Attendance: via Zoom:

Sheila Cary-Meagher (Community Co-Chair), Manna Wong (Trustee, Ward 20), Michelle Aarts (Trustee, Ward 16), Ayana Buchanan (Community Member), Valerie Endicott, Anne Keary (Parent), Dan Maclean (Trustee, Ward 2), Bob Spencer (Community Member), Hilary Inwood (OISE).

Also present were: Richard Christie (TDSB), Kelly Crosthwaite (TDSB), Kristen Evers (TDSB), David Hawker-Budlovsky (TDSB), Peyton Leung (TDSB), Pam Miller (TDSB), Linda Naccarato (TDSB), Gigi Shanks (TDSB),

## Regrets:

Barbara Falby (For Our Grandchildren)

| **ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **RECOMMENDATIONS / MOTIONS** |
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| Call to Order / Quorum | * Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m. |  |
| Land Acknowledgement | * The meeting began with a Land Acknowledgement. |  |
| Approval of May 4, 2021 minutes | * May 4, 2021 meeting minutes were approved. |  |
| Review: May 4 input on 2021/22 environmental priorities | * Feedback provided by ESCAC at it’s May 4, 2021 meeting on 2021/22 environmental priorities was reviewed. |  |
| Annual Report 2021: Climate Action | * ESCAC provided feedback on draft climate actions to be featured in the 2021 Board report on climate action. * Discussion around electric vehicles: request for information regarding school bus fleet and emissions * Discussion around the improvement of building standards, considerations for window design and targeted retrofits * Suggestion to include principals as well as caretakers in training on building efficiency and operational excellence |  |
| TTC Riders | * Presentation by Shelagh Pizey-Allen from TTC Riders.   Information shared around petitions to support increased transit service for students. |  |
| Member Updates/Announcements | * Eco-Fair Toronto will be hosted online (Nov. 4 - 7): <https://ecofairtoronto.org/>      * Hilary Inwood: EcoSchools/OISE Fall 2021 webinars have launched: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/environment/Home/education/Professional-Development/Webinars-Events> * Upcoming annual TDSB/OISE Environment and Sustainability Education conference will be held on Nov.6. Registration is free for ESCAC members. Contact [Kristen.evers@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Kristen.evers@tdsb.on.ca) for details. |  |
| Next Meeting Date | * Tuesday, Nov. 2: 6:30 – 8:00pm |  |
| **Adjournment** | * **Oct. 5 2021 – 8:06pm** |  |