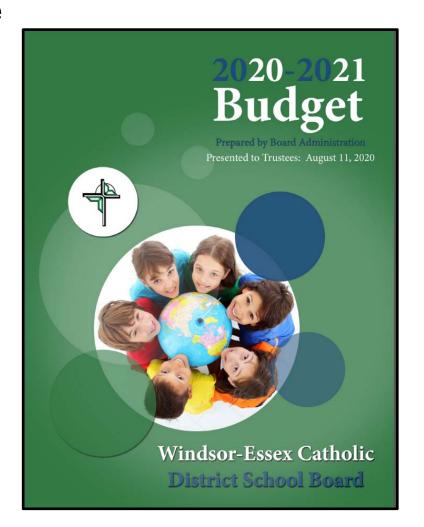


2020-21 Budget Presentation

August 11, 2020

Annual Budget Report

- Accompanying document to the presentation
- Available to all stakeholders
- Meant to serve as a reference to assist stakeholders in understanding the contents of the budget, as well as the process followed by senior admin to prepare the budget
- All budget materials available on-line at www.wecdsb.on.ca



GSN Overview

- Announced June 19, 2020
- Total sector funding estimated at \$25.52B (2% increase over prior year)
- No new initiatives identified
- No cost saving measures cited
- Several allocations transferred into the GSN
- Includes support for centrally negotiated collective agreements
- COVID -19 support announced in GSN:
 - \$25M provincially including...
 - \$10M for mental health support for students
 - \$15M for technology-related costs

GSN Overview continued....

Class Size Changes & Online Learning:

- Elementary (grades JK-8):
 - No changes to the funded class size averages
- Secondary (grades 9 − 12):
 - Funded average class size change from 28 to 23
- Online Learning:
 - Adjustment to support the requirement for secondary students to take two online credits to graduate from secondary school
 - Reflects funded average online class size of 30

GSN Overview continued...

Targeted Investments:

- Supports for Students Fund:
 - Flexible funding that replaces Local Priority Funding
 - For CUPE, referred to as "Investments in System Priorities"
- School Operations Allocation:
 - Cost benchmark increases of 2% provided to help manage increases in commodity prices
- Supply Teacher Benchmarks:
 - Increased by the equivalent of one extra day

COVID-19 Budget Assumptions

- Budget development occurred simultaneously with Return to School planning.
- Limited to no information with respect to how incremental COVID-19 related costs would be funded.
- Problematic to cost incremental expenses as the exact learning model, and price points and necessity of certain supplies (i.e. masks for students) were undetermined.
- As a result, budget was developed assuming school would resume as normal, without including incremental COVID-19 costs.

COVID-19 Ministry Funding

New Investments:

 On July 30, 2020, the Ministry announced \$309M of incremental provincial funding. Board allocations were

provided August 4th.

Maea August 4 .	Provincial Amount (\$M)	WECDSB Amount (\$)
Health & Safety Training	10	92,691
Mental Health Supports	10	126,943
Support for Students with Special Needs	10	115,912
Additional Staffing - Custodians	50	494,897
Additional Staffing - Teachers	30	?
Masks and PPE	60	?
Cleaning Supplies	25	?
Transportation - Cleaning Supplies & PPE	40	?
Public Health Nurses	50	?
Lab Testing Capacity	24	?
TOTAL	309	830,443

COVID-19 Ministry Funding

Previously Announced Investments:

 On August 4, 2020, the Ministry also confirmed Board allocations of previously announced funding as follows:

	Provincial Amount (\$M)	WECDSB Amount (\$)	_
Technology	15	144,008	GSN
Mental Health	10	126,943	GSN
Enhanced Cleaning in Schools & on Buses	4	40,910	PPF
TOTAL	29	311,861	

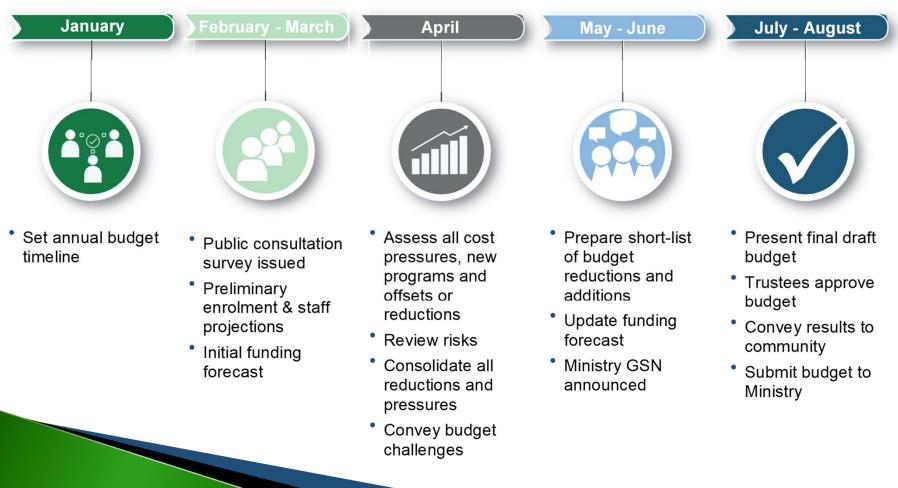
COVID-19 - EFIS Reporting

- On August 5th, Ministry directed Boards who have not yet submitted EFIS to:
 - report the additional funding as revenue in EFIS, and
 - report COVID-19 related expenses in EFIS

•	Provincial Amount (\$M)	WECDSB Amount (\$)
Total new investments	309	830,443
Total investments announced previously	29	311,861
TOTAL COVID-19 FUNDING	338	1,142,304
	Revenue (\$M)	Gross Expense (\$M)
Existing budget amounts as presented To be added to EFIS per Ministry	266.993 1.142	268.709 1.142
TOTAL REPORTED IN EFIS	268.135	269.851

Budget Process & Timelines

FIVE-STAGE STRATEGIC BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



Budget Process continued...

1. Calculate Estimated Revenue Entitlements

- Forecast student enrolment
- Calculate estimated grant entitlements

2. Calculate Estimated Expenses

- Based on enrolment, estimate staffing requirements, salaries & benefits to meet contractual and legislative requirements
- Estimate balance of expenditures
- Calculate Board by-law contingency reserve

3. Calculate In-year surplus (deficit)

 If deficit exists, accumulated surplus to a maximum of 1.0% of operating revenue can be used to balance the budget, with Board of Trustee approved recovery plan. Any deficit in excess of this requires Ministry approval.

Budget Consultation

Structure:

Online and phone survey

Content:

Focused on Board priorities

Results:

- 2,049 responses received (vs. 1,299 in 2019-20)
- Detailed responses: Appendix II



Budget Challenges & Risks

Prevalent in 2020-21:

- COVID-19 safety
- Uncertainty of cost of return to school plans and impact of COVID-19 pandemic
- Replacement costs
- WSIB costs
- International Education revenues if travel restrictions remain in place
- Local labour agreements

Budget Challenges & Risks

Ongoing:

- Cost of phasing-in post age 65 retirement benefit liability
- Projecting enrolment
- Managing costs for students with individual needs
- Aging infrastructure and renewal needs
- No direct funding for Faith initiatives
- Controlling staffing costs (80% of total budget)
- Capital deficit
- Providing for a 0.5% contingency with available funds

Enrolment

- Key driver for most Ministry grants ~ 2/3 of grants vary with enrolment
- Challenging to project as actual results will differ

Projected enrolment for 2020-21 was...

- Prepared by Human Resources
- Based on historical data updated for current circumstances
- Presented to and approved by Executive Council for use in budget development

Enrolment continued...

Summary of Enrolment

Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Average Daily Enrolment (ADE)			2020-21 Budget Estimates	(2019-20 Budget to 2020-21 Budget)			
Emoment (ABE)	Otatements	Lotimates	Lotimates	#	%		
Elementary							
JK-K	2,389	2,299	2,334	35	1.5%		
1-3	3,851	3,931	3,916	(15)	(0.4%)		
4-8	7,120	7,020	6,950	(70)	(1.0%)		
Total Elementary	13,359	13,250	13,200	(50)	(0.4%)		
Secondary < 21							
Grade 9 to 12	6,899	6,825	7,000	175	2.6%		
Total Secondary < 21	6,899	6,825	7,000	175	2.6%		
TOTAL DAY SCHOOL	20,258	20,075	20,200	125	0.6%		
Secondary > 21	141	140	180	40	28.6%		
High Credit	4	8	9	1	19.5%		
Visa (Tuition Paying)	147	151	75	(76)	(50.2%)		
TOTAL BOARD	20,550	20,373	20,464	91	0.4%		

Day School Enrolment projected to be 20,200 pupils.

Change

This is an increase of 125 pupils over 2019-20 Estimates.

Tuition paying pupils projected to decrease by 76 pupils from 2019-20 budget due to the closure of the Canadian border.

Staffing Highlights

Summary of Staffing

Classroom Teachers	Statements 1,224	Estimates 1,191	Estimates 1,206	# 15	% 1.2%
Non-Teachers	639	637	654	17	2.7%
Total Classroom	1,863	1,828	1,860	32	1.7%
Non-Classroom Admin, Governance	50	50		(4)	(4.00()
& Transportation*	59	52	51	(1)	(1.9%)
	169	176	51 175	(1)	(0.2%)
& Transportation*			_	, ,	, ,

Salaries & benefits comprise 79.5% of the total Board budget.

Total salaries and benefits for 2020-21 is \$213.7M.

- Teacher increase mainly due to positions added with Supports for Students Funding.
- Non-Teacher increase due to CYW, Psychotherapist, EA positions added as a result of Investment of System Priorities and Education Worker Protection Funding. Additionally, ECE and School Office positions were added.
- Administration decrease due to reallocation to School Support category.

^{*} Includes 9 Trustees + 2 Student Trustees

Budget Overview

Revenue

\$267.0M-

Gross ExpenseLess: Exemptions

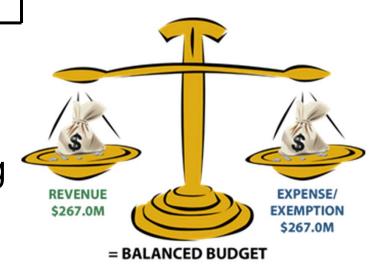
\$268.7M

(1.7M)

Net Expense

\$267.0M⁴

Budget contains provision for contingency = 0.5% of operating allocation or \$1.2M Balanced & compliant



Adjustment for Exemptions

Background:

- First introduced to Trustees in November Interim Financial report (January 2020)
- O.Reg. 280/19 Calculation of Maximum In-Year Deficit came into effect on August 22, 2019
- Introduced the concept of "adjusted in-year deficit" which allows for the following 3 exemptions from the deficit for compliance purposes:
 - 1) Adjustment for specific committed capital projects
 - 2) Adjustment for committed sinking fund interest
 - 3) Adjustment for amortization of employee future benefits

Adjustment for Exemptions con't...

In 2018-19, \$4.5M of Accumulated Surplus was internally appropriated to fund future years employee benefit amortization expenses.

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 Surplus and exemptions used in 19-20 Revised Budget and 2020-21 budget to balance

	2019-20	2019-20	2020-21
(\$Thousands)	Budget	Revised	Budget
(\$TTiousarius)	Estimates	Estimates	Estimates
Revenue	259,633	261,733	266,993
Less: Gross Expenses	259,633	263,866	268,710
In- Year Surplus (Deficit) Available for Compliance	-	(2,133)	(1,717)
Adjustment for exemptions:			
(1) Adjustment for specific committed capital projects	n/a	-	-
(2) Adjustment for committed sinking fund interest	n/a	64	64
(3) Adjustment for amortization of employee future benefits	n/a	2,797	1,653
Subtotal Exemptions	-	2,860	1,717
Adjusted In-Year Surplus/(Deficit)	-	727	0

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Financial Summary

(\$Thousands)	2018-19 Financial Statements	2019-20 Budget Estimates	2020-21 Budget Estimates	(2019-20	inge 0 Budget 1 Budget)
				\$	%
Revenue					
Operating	236,292	232,408	239,686	7,278	3.1%
Capital	20,951	21,110	23,361	2,252	10.7%
Other	6,287	6,116	3,946	(2,170)	(35.5%)
TOTAL REVENUE	263,530	259,633	266,993	7,359	2.8%
Expenses					
Instruction	198,563	195,803	200,967	5,164	2.6%
Administration	7,884	7,048	7,085	37	0.5%
Transportation	9,190	9,281	9,302	21	0.2%
Pupil Accommodation & Other	44,817	46,340	50,158	3,817	8.2%
Provision for Contingency	-	1,161	1,197	36	3.1%
TOTAL EXPENSES	260,454	259,633	268,709	9,076	3.5%
In-Year Surplus/(Deficit)	3,075	0	(1,717)	(1,717)	-
Adjustment for exemptions	-	-	1,717	1,717	
Adjusted In-Year Surplus/(Deficit)	3,075	0	0	0	

0.5% of 2020-21 operating revenue

Revenue Highlights

- Total estimated revenue for 2020-21 is \$267.0M
- Increase of \$7.4M from prior year budget.
- Main contributors include increased enrolment, continued Ministry investments and an increase in benchmarks, primarily to fund negotiated rate increases.

	Amount (\$M)
2019-20 Budget Estimates	259.63
New and increased funding investments (i.e., Supports for Students Funds)	2.05
Decreased funding (reduction in Temporary Accommodation Grant)	(0.20)
Net change in benchmarks, including class size changes net of attrition protection impact	2.39
Increased grant revenue due to increase in enrolment	1.17
Increased grant revenue due to increase in other enrolment (ESL/FSL, Continuing Education, Indigenous)	0.70
DCC revenue increase, offset by increase in amortization expense	2.65
VISA tuition revenue decrease, net of International Student Recovery change	(0.73)
Decrease in Priorities and Partnerships Funding - offset by decrease in PPF Expenses	(0.59)
Decrease in interest income	(0.14)
Other net revenue changes	0.06
2020-21 Budget Estimates	266.99

Expenditure Highlights

- Total estimated gross expenses for 2020-21 is \$268.7M
- ▶ Increase of \$9.1M over prior year budget.

Amount (\$M)

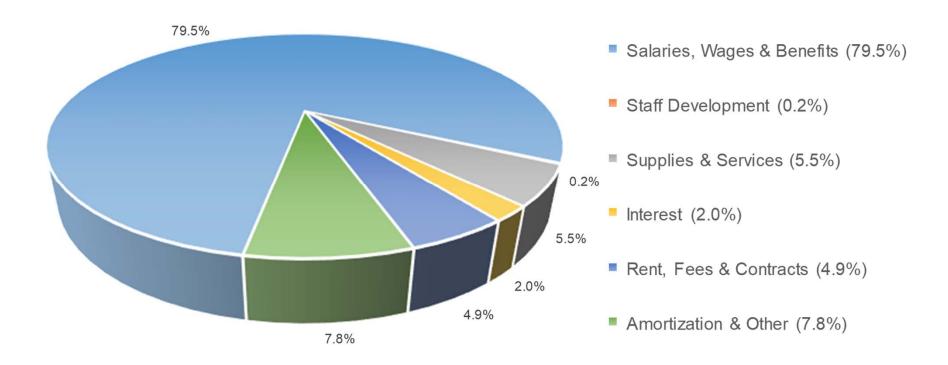
2019-20 Budget Estimates	259.63
Negotiated increase in salaries, net supported by increased benchmark funding	2.23
Increase staffing, funded by Student Supports Funding and other	3.15
Benefit expense phase-in increase, net	1.50
Expenditure additions	0.65
Expenditure reductions	(0.40)
Debenture interest decrease	(0.40)
Amortization expense increase, offset by increase in DCC revenue	2.65
Decrease in PPF expenses, offset by decrease in PPF revenue	(0.52)
Other net expenses	0.21
2020-21 Budget Estimates	268.71

Expenditure Highlights continued...

Notable increases relate to:

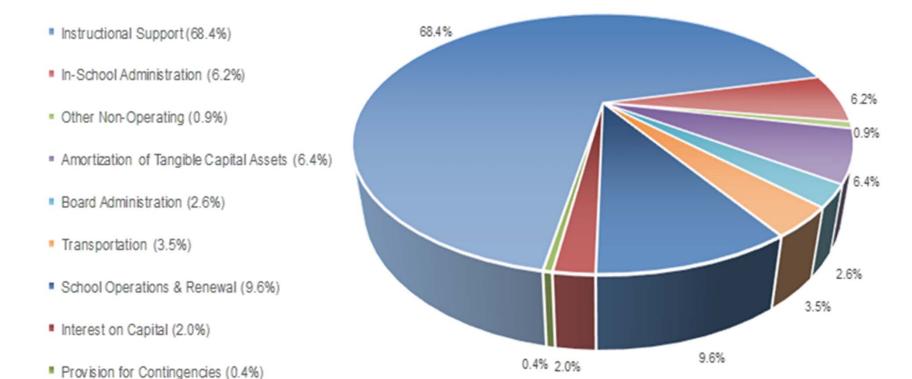
- Salary benchmark increases to reflect 2019-22 central labour agreements.
- Additional staffing positions funded by the Supports for Students Fund.
- PSAB Benefit expense increase.

Expenditure Highlights continued...



Labour related costs represent 79.5% of total expenses.

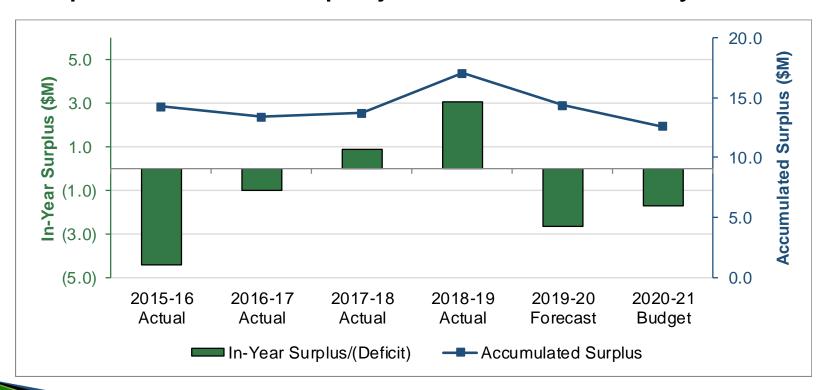
Expenditure Highlights continued...



- Instruction Support is the largest spend at 68.4%
- Board administration costs are 2.6% of total expenses

Accumulated Surplus

The Board continues to have a healthy total surplus at \$12.6M projected at 2020-21 year-end



Accumulated Surplus continued...

Components of Accumulated Surplus

(\$Thousands)	2020-21 Estimates	
Operating surplus	5,421	unrestricted
Amortization of Employee Future Benefit Expenses	50	restricted
School Renewal	172	restricted
Benefit Plan	932	restricted
Unfunded Post Age 65 Retirement Benefit Liability Phase-In (2012-13 to 2015-16)	5,145	restricted
Sinking fund interest	902	restricted
TOTAL	12,622	

\$5.4M of the \$12.6M projected accumulated surplus is unrestricted for use in operations

Faith Centered Learning

- 2020-21 budget reflects commitment to our Catholic distinctiveness
- In 2020-21, \$1.0M unfunded specialized resources are allocated to assist classroom teachers and provide systemwide retreats and activities, which ensure the delivery of faith-oriented programming





International Education

 Closure of the Canadian borders has directly impacted the Board's ability to recruit and enroll students, reducing the number of students in the program considerably

	2016-17 Actual		2017-18 Actual		2018-19 Actual		2019-20 Budget (restated)		2020-21 Budget
Enrolment		•		•		•		•	
Elementary	12	•	9	•	12	•	12	•	10
Secondary	86	•	111	•	135	•	139	•	65
Total Enrolment (FTE)	98		120		147		151		75
		•		•		•		•	
Revenues	981,174	•	1,430,644	•	1,572,890	•	1,675,802	•	855,475
Expenses	721,694	•	899,898	•	1,059,020	•	1,144,141	•	835,842
NET CONTRIBUTION	259,480	•	530,746	•	513,870	•	531,661	•	19,633

Special Education

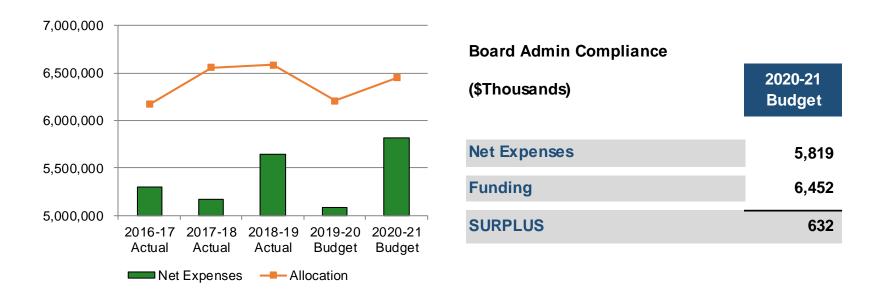
 Funding must be used solely for the purposes of supporting students with special needs

(\$Thousands)	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Actual	2018-19 Actual	2019-20 Budget	2020-21 Budget
Funding	26,162	27,297	29,020	27,861	29,426
Net Expenses	30,738	31,474	32,270	31,431	33,193
In-Year Surplus/(Deficit)	(4,576)	(4,177)	(3,249)	(3,570)	(3,768)

- 2020-21 funding increased by \$1.6M (5%)
- 2020-21 net expenses increased by \$1.8M (5%) mainly due to negotiated salary increases and additional positions added utilizing the Supports for Students Fund.
- 2020-21 projected deficit supported by funding redirected from other programs and services

Board Administration

 Board's net administration and governance expenses in a fiscal year cannot exceed the administration and governance grant



▶ 2020-21 Funding > Net Expenses by \$0.6M :: Compliant

Capital and Debt

2020-21 capital asset additions of \$35.9M

	Amount (\$)
Buildings	31,833,214
Land Improvements	3,850,000
Computer hardware and software	169,500
TOTAL PLANNED ASSET ADDITIONS	\$35,852,714

- Funding for additions is available from multiple sources
- ▶ \$268.7M gross expenditure budget includes:
 - Depreciation of capital assets (\$17.1M)
 - Interest on long-term debt (\$5.4M)
 - continues to be reduced annually

Summary

- The budget is balanced consisting of \$267.0M of revenues and expenditures after exemptions.
- The budget is compliant with Education Act.
- There is inherent risk in some areas of the budget.
- Budget approval date: August 11, 2020
- Budget submission date to Ministry: August 19, 2020
- Submitted budget in EFIS will be grossed up by \$1.142M for COVID-19 funding and expenses.
- Any questions???

