

POLICY AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Presented to: Board of Trustees
Submitted on: June 23, 2026
Submitted by: Acting Chair MacNeil
Date: June 2, 2026
Report No.: PP26-06

Members Present: Martha MacNeil (Acting Chair), Alethia O'Hara-Stephenson,
Lynn Topping, Laurie Whyte

Absent: Robin Ross

Other Trustees Present: Jen Edwards, Ralf Mesenbrink

The Policy and Priorities Committee held a hybrid meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Acting Chair MacNeil presided over the meeting. No conflicts of interest were declared.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Item 6(a) – Policy 205 School Volunteers

Christine de Boer, Policy Development Officer, provided a verbal presentation noting that the revised School Volunteers policy has been updated to align with new provincial police record check requirements. Following a public consultation period that generated 30 comments, staff clarified requirements regarding volunteer screening, police record check fees, and renewal timelines. The policy was further refined based on public feedback, with changes focused on improving clarity.

The Committee recommends:

That Policy 205 titled School Volunteers, attached with revisions as Appendix A to the report dated June 2, 2026, be approved.

Item 6(b) – Policy 509 Health Support Services

Christine de Boer, Policy Development Officer, provided a verbal presentation regarding the policy review for Policy 509 – Health Support Services noting that the policy has been revised to ensure alignment with PPM 81 and updated to strengthen the Board's commitment to student safety and well-being. The revised policy is recommended for a 30-day public consultation period.

The Committee recommends:

That Policy 509 titled Health Support Services, attached with revisions as Appendix A to the report dated June 2, 2026, be released for public consultation for a period of 30 days.