

PRESENT: Garry Tanuan, Chair
Stan Cameron
Angela Grella
Connie Tang
Thomas Thomas
David West

ABSENT: Monique Forster
John MacKenzie, Chief Executive Officer
Jamaal Myers
Deborah Oldfield
Anu Sriskandarajah

1. CALL TO ORDER

Natural Science and Education Committee Meeting #/3/24 was held via videoconference, on November 25, 2024. Chair Garry Tanuan called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS TERRITORY

The Chair recited the Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territory.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING #2/24 HELD ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

RES.#NSEC 7/24

Moved By: Angela Grella

Seconded By: Thomas Thomas

THAT the meeting minutes from the September 23, 2024 Natural Science and Education Committee, be approved.

Carried

5. DELEGATIONS

None.

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.1 FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

RES.#NSEC 8/24

Moved By: Thomas Thomas

Seconded By: Angela Grella

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the presentation on Flood Risk Management and Stormwater Management by David Kellershohn, Associate Director, Engineering Services, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, be received for information.

Carried

6.2 CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF THE BOYD ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL

Connie Tang left the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Quorum was lost at 7:28 p.m. with the following members still in attendance: Garry Tanuan, Stan Cameron, Angela Grella, Thomas Thomas, and David West.

Darryl Gray, Director, Education and Training, advised that due to loss of quorum, Items 6.2 and 8.1 will be included on the next NSEC meeting.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

8. ITEMS FOR ACTION OF THE NATURAL SCIENCE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

8.1 SURVEY OF TEACHERS REGARDING OUT OF CLASSROOM LEARNING

Darryl Gray, Director, Education and Training, provided a brief overview of the upcoming release in early 2025 of a Survey of Teachers Regarding Out of Classroom Learning.

9. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION OF THE NATURAL SCIENCE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

None.

10. NEW BUSINESS

Darryl Gray, Director, Education and Training, reminded members to respond to the Doodle Poll confirming availability for the proposed 2025 NSEC meeting dates.

Darryl noted that staff are currently preparing advocacy materials for distribution to the province for funding of Natural Science-based learning in the out of doors. Sabrina Pariselli, Administrative Coordinator, Education and Training, will schedule time in January 2025 with each member separately to discuss how best to work together on advocacy with the Minister and ministry staff, as well as target what steps may be taken to attain School Board endorsement.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned, without quorum, at 7:53 p.m.

Garry Tanuan, Chair