Information Report

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: October 8, 2024

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Trustee Sawyer, Caucus Committee Chair

SUBJECT: Special Caucus Committee Report (From the meeting held on September 24, 2024)

ORIGINATOR: Karen Mills, Director Board and Superintendent Relations

REFERENCE: <u>Trustees' Handbook</u> – Caucus Committee - Section 5.4

ISSUE

The Board approved the following recommendation at the March 3, 2015, Board meeting: That Section 5.4 of the Trustees' Handbook be revised to give the Caucus Committee final decision-making power on certain types of matters, and yet constrain that power so it is used only when absolutely necessary.

The following recommendation was approved at the September 24, 2024, Special Caucus Committee meeting:

Advocacy Committee of the Whole

That the Ad Hoc Advocacy Committee be disestablished and replaced with an Advocacy Committee of the whole.

BACKGROUND

Over the past decade, the Board of Trustees has used both committee-of-the-whole and ad-hoc-committee approaches to guide their advocacy initiatives. Recent discussions called into question which approach is most efficient and effective.

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