

Yukon Legislative Assembly

Standing Committee on Public Accounts

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Meeting No. 13 Wednesday, January 12, 2022 Committee Meeting Room, Yukon Legislative Assembly, Whitehorse

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts met in camera this day at 9:02 a.m., the Chair, Currie Dixon, presiding.

Members present: Currie Dixon, Chair,

Kate White, Vice-Chair,

Scott Kent,

Hon. Richard Mostyn, and

Hon. Ranj Pillai (substituting for Hon. Jeanie McLean by

videoconference).

Also present: Allison Lloyd, Clerk to the Committee

Approval of Agenda

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Kent,

THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 13 of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be adopted as presented.

Approval of Minutes of Meeting No. 12 (January 7, 2022)

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Kent, seconded by Ms. White, THAT the minutes of Meeting No. 12 (January 7, 2022) of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be adopted as presented.

Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Education in Yukon – Department of Education

Pursuant to Standing Order 45(3), the Standing Committee on Public Accounts considered a report of the Auditor General.

Due to circumstances related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Hon. Mr. Pillai indicated that he would be unable to participate in the hearing in person this day. One of the scheduled witnesses from the Chiefs Committee on Education, Chief Dana Tizya-Tramm, was similarly unable to participate in person. The committee discussed the logistics for the Hon. Mr. Pillai and Chief Tizya-Tramm to participate in the hearing by videoconference.

In preparation for the public hearing, the committee reviewed the Chair's opening and closing statements, the draft questions, and the introductory message submitted to the committee by the Chiefs Committee on Education.

Yukon Public Accounts 2020-21

Pursuant to Standing Order 45(3), the Standing Committee on Public Accounts considered the Public Accounts.

The committee considered the logistics for the February 9, 2022, public hearing with the Office of the Auditor General and the Department of Finance. The Chair indicated that he would email committee members regarding the preparation of draft questions for the hearing.

Further discussion on the *Yukon Public Accounts 2020-21* was deferred to a future meeting.

The committee recessed at 9:25 a.m.

Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Education in Yukon – Department of Education

The public hearing on the Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Education in Yukon – Department of Education was held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber from 10:00 a.m. to 12:09 p.m.

The following witnesses from the Yukon Chiefs Committee on Education appeared:

- Chief Dana Tizya-Tramm, Chair (by videoconference)
- Daryn Leas, Technician
- Melanie Bennett, Technician

The committee reconvened at 12:15 p.m.

The committee discussed the arrangements for the Hon. Mr. Pillai and Chief Tizya-Tramm participating in the hearing by videoconference. It was agreed that the committee send a letter to the Members' Services Board to request that resources be allocated to better enable the participation of remote witnesses and committee members when hearings are held in the Chamber.

The committee clerk was tasked with sending the draft questions that were not asked during the hearing to the witnesses to allow the Chiefs Committee on Education to provide responses in writing.

The committee agreed to post the Chiefs Committee on Education's introductory message on the committee's webpage.

Next Meeting

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts will next meet at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 19, 2022.

At 12:23 p.m. the committee adjourned.

Allison Lloyd

Clerk to the Committee