

#### **District Education Council – Superintendent Monitoring Report**

**Policy Name and Number:** ASD-W-EL4 Budgeting and Forecasting

**Reports Per Year:** Four

**Date of Report:** February 20, 2025

**Date of Previous Report:** October 21, 2024

Future Reports: March 27, 2025

June 19, 2025

**Policy Statement:** With respect to the actual, ongoing condition of the Anglophone West

School District financial health, the Superintendent shall not cause or allow

the development of fiscal jeopardy or a material deviation of actual expenditures from Council priorities established in educational goals and

priorities policies.

Budgeting for any fiscal year or the remaining part of any fiscal year shall not deviate substantially from Council priorities, risk fiscal jeopardy, or fail

to show a generally acceptable level of foresight.

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## **Superintendent Interpretation:**

- The superintendent must ensure that the financial position does not place undue strain on the ability
  of the school district to maintain its focus on achieving a balanced budget and preventing loss of
  services to its stakeholders.
- The Superintendent must ensure that financial management staff follow Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP, CPA Handbook) and that any material discrepancies are investigated and reported during the financial reporting cycle.

# **Justification:**

- The District Education Council has the authority under the Education Act, Sections 36.9(4), 50.2(3) &
  Regulation 97-150, Sections 7-10, to develop a balanced expenditure plan and follow government
  accounting requirements for revenues and expenses.
- The Education Act, Section 48(1), outlines the duties of the superintendent. One requirement is to ensure district and provincial policies are followed.

• Regular reporting ensures that Policy 101 Section 6.1.4.2 is followed and that the school district cannot incur deficits in either the capital or operating budgets.

### **Compliance:**

- Financial reports are prepared by district financial staff and reviewed regularly, engaging the superintendent as required and upon request.
- Quarterly reports are reviewed by the superintendent, presented to District Education Council by district staff for approval and for submission to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (EECD) in accordance with the schedule set out by EECD.
- Third Quarter Report shows a global budget of \$317,126,897 and planned expenditures of \$320,292,136 leaving us in a projected deficit of \$3,165,239.
- Primary area of concerns are Educational Assistants and Teacher FTE to support student needs have exceeded the funding provided by EECD.

### **Appendices:**

- Education Act: Section 36.9(4): Authority and responsibilities of District Education Councils E-1.12 - Education Act (gnb.ca)
- Education Act: Section 50.2(3): School District Budgets and Expenditures
   E-1.12 Education Act (gnb.ca)
- Regulation 97-150: Sections 7-10: Administration
   <a href="http://laws.gnb.ca/en/showfulldoc/cr/97-150/#anchorga:s-7">http://laws.gnb.ca/en/showfulldoc/cr/97-150/#anchorga:s-7</a>
- Education Act: Section 48: Duties of the Superintendent
   E-1.12 Education Act (gnb.ca)
- Policy 101: Financial Responsibilities of School Districts
   https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/ed/pdf/K12/policies-politiques/e/101A.pdf
- ASD-W Third Quarter DEC Summary Report
- ASD-W 2024-2025 Big Picture Third Quarter Report Overview
- DEC Budget Summary Report February 2025

I report compliance with ASD-W-EL4 - Budgeting and Forecasting

David Mc Timoney