




**TCDSB Multi-Year Recovery Plan**

1. Four Year Recovery Plan 2015-2019
  1. 3 Scenarios: Up Front; Spread Evenly; Leave to Last
  2. Staff Recommended: Scenario 3 with Risks and Future Opportunities
  3. CPIC-OAPCE met with Staff last Wednesday to discuss
    1. 5-Senior Staff; 2-Trustees; 3-Oapce T (2 on phone); 2-CPIC
    2. All are Parents but other than our 2-Trustees, only 4 (2 CPIC and 2 OAPCE on phone) are not paid by the TCDSB
    3. Looking at the 3-scenarios – choice not the major Parent

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**The Next Stage**

- ❖ Looking at the Programs that will be cut
  - This does need concentrated Parent Input
  - What are the TCDSB plans for this Stage?
    - Essential to involve more than just a few parents
    - Needs more than 1,000 parents out of 100,000 parents
    - What are the plans to reach a greater number of Parents for this essential stage?
- ❖ The Goal is a Balanced Budget in 4-years




The diagram illustrates the goal of a balanced budget. It consists of three blue circles. The first circle on the left is labeled 'Revenues'. A minus sign is placed between the first and second circles. The second circle is labeled 'Expenses'. An equals sign is placed between the second and third circles. The third circle is labeled 'Balanced Budget'.

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**Theory of Budgets**

- ❖ A budget is a plan that you follow as closely as you can
  - Budget Line Items can be changed as priorities change
  - But the “bottom line” cannot change.
- ❖ Budget are easy to prepare
  - Revenues comes in and Expenses go out
  - A budget is made up of numbers
    - Balancing a budget without thought is easy
    - Just change numbers here and there until it is balanced
    - As Mayor Tory suggested Wednesday (Police Budget) “an arbitrary, meat cleaver approach ...” is also wrong
  - We need a responsible planned approach with input from all affected parties


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## Publically Funded Schools

- ❖ Ontario has 4 publically funded school systems
  - English Public
  - English Catholic
  - French-language Public
  - French-language Catholic
- ❖ Faith is not the only difference between Catholic & Public
  - We do produce better educated students
  - We do expect a higher level of behaviour from our students
  - We do expect more personal respect between students
  - More Parents are involved with their Childs education
  - We mirror a college or university education style (well-driven, engaged students)
- ❖ We cannot lose these and other difference that Parents value

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## Increase Revenues

- ❖ Toronto French School is Advertising
 

“The Best Start in Life - An exceptional bilingual education”
- ❖ What is the TCDSB Advertising?
- ❖ Emphasis wrongly placed just “looking for cut-backs”
- ❖ Why not spend money to advertise and increase Revenues
  - We encourage inquisitive minds
  - We encourage equity and excellence
  - We offer critical thinking
  - We teach respect for others
  - We promote confidence and creativity
  - We teach collaboration
- ❖ We offer students a lot – let us promote what we are good at.

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## Expense Reductions

- ❖ Every line item is a program that affects our children
- ❖ You need to harness the collective wisdom of all Parents as we are talking about cuts in programs
- ❖ How many Parents will you involve and how can we work together to get more involved

1% of Parents Consulted  
Is not enough


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## Remember TCDSB provides a Service

**WIIFM**  
**(What's In It For Me?)**  
or more appropriate  
**WIIFMC**  
**(What's In It For My Child?)**

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The driving purpose of Toronto CPIC is to get more parents/guardians involved in their children's education

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## QUESTIONS

**Thank you for your time and attention**

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