

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 | **5:00 PM**

Virtual:	In-Person:
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## AGENDA

### 1.0 Call to Order

#### 1.1 Land acknowledgement

We would like to open this meeting by acknowledging the traditional territories of the Anishinaabe, on which all schools of the NNDSB are situated. The Board Office is specifically located on the traditional territory of the Nipissing First Nation. We value the cultures, histories and relationships with the Indigenous People of Turtle Island. We are grateful to be gathered here today.

#### 1.2 Attendance

Confirmation of Quorum

#### 1.3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

### 2.0 In-Camera

Motion: That the Board move into a Committee of the Whole Private Session in order to discuss items pertaining to *The Education Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. E.2 section 207(2) clause (b) and (e).

### 3.0 Arise and Report

### 4.0 Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting of February 14, 2023 be approved.

**5.0 Review of Previous Minutes**

5.1 2023 01 10 Committee of the Whole ✓

Motion: That the minutes for the Committee of the Whole meeting of January 10, 2023 be approved.

5.2 2023 02 02 Committee of the Whole ✓

Motion: That the minutes for the Committee of the Whole meeting of February 2, 2023 be approved.

**6.0 Business Arising**

Nil.

**7.0 New Business**

7.1 Trustee Initiative Fund application- Festival of the Sound ✓

7.2 Notice of Motion- Trustee Sargent ✓

7.3 Board meeting schedule discussion

**8.0 Adjournment**

Motion: That on February 14, 2023 we do now adjourn at \_\_\_\_pm.



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Erika Lougheed, Chair

Craig Myles, Director of Education

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The January 10, 2023 **Committee of the Whole Public Session** of the Near North District School Board was held in person at the Head Office and via a Zoom video and/or teleconference.

**Trustees Present:**

Erika Lougheed, Chair  
Howard Wesley, Vice-Chair ®  
Ashley St. Pierre \*  
Bill Steer ®  
Chantal Phillips  
Jeanie Fuscaldo ®\*  
Julie Bertram  
Louise Sargent  
Shane Hall ®  
Allen Lewis Trodd, Student Trustee \*  
Cecilia Darling, Student Trustee

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Craig Myles, Director of Education  
Gay Smylie, Superintendent of Education  
Deb Bartlett, Communications Officer ®  
Krista Messenger, Executive Assistant  
Melanie Gray, Superintendent of Education ®  
Seija Van Haesendonck, Superintendent of Business  
Timothy Graves, Superintendent of Education ®

**Other:**

Staff, media and community partners

® attended remotely via Zoom video or audio conference

\* arrived following roll call. Attendance noted within the minutes

**Trustees Absent:**

Nil

**1.0 Call to Order**

Chair Lougheed called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**1.1 Land acknowledgement**

Chair Lougheed read the declaration aloud.

**1.2 Attendance**

Attendance indicated that eight trustees are present, including Student Trustee Darling.

**1.3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

NIL

**2.0 Approval of the Agenda and Previous Minutes**

*Motion: J. Bertram/ C. Phillips*

That the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting of January 10, 2023, and the minutes of the previous meeting of December 13, 2022, be approved. - **Carried.**

### **3.0 In-Camera**

Chair Lougheed noted that the Board would not be entering into an in-camera session this evening.

### **4.0 Arise and Report**

Not applicable.

### **5.0 Business Arising**

It is noted that there is no business arising brought forward for discussion. The floor was opened to trustees for inquiries or comments, with none rose.

*Trustee Fuscaldo has joined the meeting, attending as a virtual participant.*

### **6.0 New Business**

#### **6.1 Committee Membership Refinements**

Trustees were referred to the report contained in the agenda package outlining three committees that require trustee membership. Highlights are noted as:

- *Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Committee* is a legislated committee that must be created to oversee the creation of plans to support students whose secondary school graduation is at risk by providing appropriate programs that allow students to earn credits outside of a traditional school setting.
  - NNDSB is seeking membership of two trustees who are able to travel in support of an “east-west” model.
  - Question raised to determine if additional trustees can be assigned to ensure availability as the meetings are generally held in person. Superintendent Gray noted she would be pleased to have an alternate member selected.
  - The floor was opened for expressions of interest with Trustee Hall (primary east-west), Trustee Fuscaldo (secondary east- west) and Trustee Steer (northern region) indicating their interest. Consensus is achieved regarding trustee representation.
- *Chippewa Renaming Committee* is being struck in follow-up to the motion approved by the Board in December to move forward with this process as a concluding step of the North Bay secondary school amalgamation. As per the NNDSB administrative guideline, two trustees are required to join the committee, which will also include representation from senior leadership, school staff, parents, students and the community.
  - Question raised regarding the status of the trustee representatives, with confirmation noted that the trustees will have voting privileges on the Naming Committee.
  - Question raised regarding the ability of the Naming Committee to ultimately select the school’s current name. Superintendent Smylie noted the Naming Committee will engage in a thorough process informed by deep consultation in alignment with the board’s administrative guidelines and ministry regulations regarding facility

- names in order to present a final recommendation to the Board of Trustees for approval.
- The floor was opened for expressions of interest. Trustee Bertram indicated interest. Trustee Sargent confirmed she would be pleased to sit on this committee, though it is noted she is a former Chippewa Secondary student. Confirmation that alumni status does not present a conflict of interest.
- Consensus achieved to appoint Trustee Bertram and Trustee Sargent to the Chippewa Renaming Committee.
- *W.J. Fricker Naming Committee* is being struck to bring forward a recommendation regarding the new building. As per the NNDSB administrative guideline, two trustees are required to join the committee, which will also include representation from senior leadership, school staff, parents and the community. The floor was opened for expressions of interest by trustees.
  - Trustee Steer noted he would be pleased to serve on this committee, as he is also a member of the W.J. Fricker Build committee. Trustee Hall indicated his interest as well. Trustee Sargent noted she would be willing to serve as an alternate.
  - Consensus achieved to appoint Trustee Steer, Trustee Hall and Trustee Sargent (alternate) to the W.J. Fricker Build Naming Committee.
- Closing comments from Chair Loughheed to thank trustees for their willingness to participate on these committees. It is noted that the motions will come forward in the Board's regular session to confirm the appointments.

## 6.2 Notice of Motion- Trustee Sargent

Trustees were referred to the Notice of Motion filed by Trustee Sargent contained in the agenda package with regard to the separation of Committee of the Whole and Board meetings.

It is noted that in order to proceed to discussion, the notice requires a seconder. The floor was opened for expressions of support. Trustee Bertram noted she will second the motion. Chair Loughheed noted Trustee Sargent is permitted to speak first for up to three minutes, and then the floor will be opened for discussion by trustees. Highlights are noted as:

- Opening comments by Trustee Sargent to note Committee of the Whole is a discussion-based forum, and as per the Board's bylaws sufficient latitude is allowed for an in-depth conversation on issues presented. Previously, Committee of the Whole meetings were held on a separate evening which provided opportunity for further clarification to be received, further questions to be brought forward, and time for answers to be received. During the pandemic, the meetings were combined, and as a result discussion became more limited.
- Trustee Steer noted the Board could consider devoting more time to the Committee of the Whole meeting, while still having it scheduled for the same evening as the Board meeting. Separate meetings will lead to a further delay in bringing recommendations forward from the committee to the Board for approval. The NNDSB Board brought a motion forward to the OPSBA regarding the continuance of virtual meetings due to the cost and time savings in addition to the

reduced environmental impact associated with less travel. This is relevant in relation to the due diligence the Board must consider when it comes to increased travel expectations associated with another meeting.

- Trustee Hall noted it would be difficult to set aside another evening to attend a meeting given his work schedule. Virtual attendance would need to be an option for it to be manageable.
- Trustee Bertram requested clarification regarding the point raised about separate meetings causing a further delay in bringing recommendations forward for approval. Clarification provided to note business left unresolved at the committee level would need to be brought back to the next committee meeting so that a recommendation could be finalized before presenting it to the Board to consider. If the Board meeting is held two weeks following the Committee of the Whole meeting, there would be an additional two weeks before a decision would be confirmed.
- Point echoed that the Committee of the Whole is a time-bound meeting, and further time could be devoted to discussion without requiring a separate schedule.
- Director Myles was invited to provide perspective and noted that many staff currently attend the Committee of the Whole meetings given that it is scheduled in advance of the Board meetings. This allows trustees to draw on staff perspectives to consider in their discussions. If the Committee of the Whole is scheduled on a separate night, staff would not be expected to attend and therefore items requiring their input would be deferred. Review of potential impacts on unionized staff, and members of the public.
- Trustee Phillips noted experience with Committee of the Whole being much more focused on public input and discussion. The Committee of the Whole structure within NNDSB seems to be an extension of the Board meeting and so it is reasonable to have the meetings aligned. If there was opportunity to reimagine the way the meeting is run, it would be valuable to consider ensuring appropriate time is set aside.

*Trustee St. Pierre and Student Trustee Lewis have joined the meeting, attending in person.*

- Comment from Trustee Steer urging the Board to be mindful of required staff resources and consider other options within the current structure (such as an earlier start time) first.
- Vice-Chair Wesley requested Trustee Sargent speak to the perceived delay that would occur between meetings. Trustee Sargent noted the previous Board would also convene a Committee of the Whole meeting in advance of the Board meeting to finalize committee business in addition to hosting a separate meeting, so this would address the concerns about delays.
- Chair Lougheed provided personal insights to note a scheduling conflict with the proposed schedule, so it would require an adjustment to ensure she can be presented on the evenings proposed.
- Director Myles noted he would be pleased to do some further research on parliamentary procedure regarding Committee of the Whole meeting scheduling in order to be assured trustees have a full picture of the impacts of their decision.
  - Chair Lougheed opened the floor for support regarding a delay, with none

- rose.
- Trustee Sargent suggested the motion be put to a vote and if it is successful, administration could then investigate the feasibility and implementation process.

With no further trustee comments to note, Chair Lougheed noted a recorded vote will be called to determine if consensus is achieved. Recorded vote results are noted as:

<b>Trustee:</b>	<b>In Favor</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Bertram, Julie	X			
Fuscaldo, Jeanie	X			
Hall, Shane		X		
Phillips, Chantal	X			
Sargent, Louise	X			
St. Pierre, Ashley		X		
Steer, Bill		X		
Wesley, Howard	X			
Lougheed, Erika		X		
<b>TOTAL:</b>	5	4	0	0

It is noted that the motion has achieved consensus. Chair Lougheed thanked trustees for their participation in this conversation and noted the resolution would be brought forward in regular session.

**7.0 Motion to Adjourn**

*Motion: S. Hall/ J. Fuscaldo*

That we do now adjourn at 6:53 PM. – **Carried**



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The February 2, 2023 **Committee of the Whole Public Session** of the Near North District School Board was held via a Zoom video and/or teleconference.

**Trustees Present:**

Erika Lougheed, Chair  
Howard Wesley, Vice-Chair  
Bill Steer  
Jeanie Fuscaldo  
Julie Bertram  
Louise Sargent  
Shane Hall  
Cecilia Darling, Student Trustee

**Trustees Absent:**

Ashley St. Pierre  
Chantal Phillips  
Allen Lewis Trodd, Student Trustee

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Gay Smylie, Superintendent of Education  
Deb Bartlett, Communications Officer  
Krista Messenger, Executive Assistant  
Melanie Gray, Superintendent of Education  
Seija Van Haesendonck, Superintendent of Business  
Timothy Graves, Superintendent of Education

**Administrative Regrets:**

Craig Myles, Director of Education

**Other:**

Staff, media and community partners

**1.0 Call to Order**

Chair Lougheed called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. Introductory remarks offer to thank trustees for convening for a short committee meeting today. Regrets from the Director are noted.

**1.1 Land acknowledgement**

Chair Lougheed read the declaration aloud.

**1.2 Attendance**

Attendance indicated that eight trustees are present, including Student Trustee Darling.

**1.3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

NIL

**2.0 Approval of the Agenda**

*Motion: L. Sargent/ B. Steer*

That the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting of February 2, 2023 be approved. - **Carried.**

### **3.0 New Business**

#### **3.1 Governance process update**

Trustees were referred to the report contained in the agenda package outlining a procedural misstep that occurred at the previous meeting held on January 10, 2023.

Highlights are noted as:

- Update provided to note that a motion was tabled at the previous meeting to suggest the Board return to a schedule of convening Committee of the Whole separately from the Board meeting through an amendment to the Board's bylaws. To determine consensus, a recorded vote was conducted which resulted in five trustees voting in favour, and four trustees voting against. With the majority of trustees voting in favour, the motion was carried as NNDSB 2023-01-05.
- In order to amend by-law, it is noted that a two-thirds majority is required, as this is viewed as a rescinded motion through Roberts Rules of Order. As such, it is noted that NNDSB 2023-01-05 should not have been carried, as it did not meet the two-thirds majority required.
- It is noted that the Chair and Director are required to act when an error is noted, in order to be assured that the Board continues to operate with integrity in alignment with parliamentary procedure.
- Note that the brief includes guidance for corrective action provided by the two Special Advisors previously appointed by the Minister of Education to support NNDSB (W. Jouderie and W. Easton). The Special Advisors noted the carried motion must be declared null- which is understood to mean it has no binding power and the item must be retabled and a new vote conducted before it can be considered approved.
- This means the meeting schedule will revert to the previous schedule where the Committee of the Whole and Board meetings were hosted on the same evening until a decision is made which meets the appropriate approval threshold. Both meetings will be scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2023.
- Further professional development will be offered to deepen understandings of parliamentary procedures, governance, and the role of the trustee to strengthen trustees as individuals and as a whole Board. Trustees are encouraged to refer to the governance manual, NNDSB policies and OPSBA resources regularly.
- Chair Lougheed noted the Board is stronger when errors are addressed directly, swiftly, and with a high degree of respect for trustee colleagues.

The floor was opened for questions and comments:

- Comment from Trustee Steer to note this experience is a positive learning experience for all trustees. It is clear this is an honest mistake. Through OPSBA, he has learned that good governance is a cornerstone of a strong organization. Taking time to reflect and develop a clean process moving forward will help prevent this from happening again.
- Trustee Sargent queried if a new vote could take place at the upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting, with the refreshed understanding that a two-thirds majority is required. Chair Lougheed noted it can be tabled by following the usual process to request additions to the Board's agenda.
  - Trustee Sargent noted she would initiate this. Chair Lougheed added

that additional language would be needed to reflect the appropriate threshold, and this can be discussed outside of the meeting if needed.

- Point of clarity raised by Trustee Steer to note the discussion can be retabled at Committee of the Whole, but the vote will occur at the Board meeting. Chair Lougheed noted this is correct. A motion to recognize NNDSB 2023-01-05 as rescinded will also be entered into the record at the Board meeting.
- Trustee Sargent inquired if there were any concerns with having this item added to the February 14 Committee of the Whole agenda. Chair Lougheed noted the agenda setting process will be followed that allows all items brought forward to be considered. It is noted that the date will be circulated to all trustees to ensure they are apprised of the timeline to submit items for consideration.
- Trustee Fuscaldo noted she would like to speak about an additional item that was raised with the Chair through email regarding the Board's correspondence bylaw. Chair Lougheed noted this is outside of the approved agenda, and therefore no discussion would be permitted at this meeting as no notice was provided and therefore, trustees and staff are not prepared for this discussion. Trustee Fuscaldo can resume the conversation via email with the Chair or arrange for a direct telephone call.
- Trustee Sargent inquired if trustees could be canvassed for their position on separate meetings to determine if it would be supported at the Board table. Chair Lougheed noted this can be accomplished outside of the meeting, as this topic of discussion is not on the agenda.

Trustees were thanked for their time and willingness to confront a difficult challenge as a team. The Board is comprised of a strong group of trustees that will continue to learn and grow together.

#### **4.0 Motion to Adjourn**

*Motion: S. Hall/ J. Bertram.*

That we do now adjourn at 11:20 a.m. – **Carried**



## Application for funding from the NNDSB Trustee Initiative Fund

Name of Organization:	Festival of the Sound
Contact Person:	Michael J. Martyn
Phone:	705 746 2410
Email address:	martynm@festivalofthesound.ca
<p>The NNDSB is interested in funding those organizations and projects that encompass an expanse of students from across the Near North District School Board, as a unifying platform. Please outline below how your organization or project meets this expectation:</p>	
<p>The Near North District School Board (NNDSB) has a long and celebrated relationship with the “Festival of the Sound”. The Festival of the Sound is a world-renowned chamber and classical music festival in scenic Parry Sound. Dedicated to providing innovative, creative, thematic programming. The Festival was founded in 1979 by pianist Anton Kuerti. The Festival has grown to cover three weeks and dozens of concerts, including weekends of jazz and folk music. Artistic Director James Campbell has been in his role since 1985 and continues to bring the finest in both emerging talent and established professionals to the shores of Georgian Bay. Since 2005 this has included “Music Scores!”, off-season music education projects that have enriched music, arts and cultural learning opportunities for thousands of NNDSB students.</p> <p>In Fall, 2022, Parry Sound elementary students collaborated with Artists Samantha Whelan-Kotkas, Mark Limacher, Walter MacDonald White Bear, and Chloe Weston. This incredible quartet of teaching artists delivered an exciting multi-disciplinary, educational experience to NNDSB students that inspired imagination and creativity through music. Festival staff have been working closely with local educators to re-design the Music Scores program, making it a more versatile and valuable tool for education staff and more enriching for students.</p> <p><a href="#">Music Scores – Video Reflection</a></p> <p>This year, the Festival of the Sound would like to grow its partnership with the NNDSB by offering performances of “Sounding Thunder: The Song of Francis Pegahmagabow” to intermediate and senior division students in all regions of the Near North District School Board. This application has been developed with input from Superintendent Melanie Gray, central staff, and has benefitted from consultation with NNDSB Indigenous Education leaders.</p>	
Funding amount requested:	\$20,000.00

Please outline how this money will be spent, specifically:

The table below outlines the specific costs associated with the request for funding.

Expenditure:	Details	Projected Costs
Transportation (North/East Region) (100%)	388 Students (AHS, NSS, FJM, CHI) & 192 Students from WFSS	\$3000.00
Transportation (West Region) (100%)	700 students from the Parry Sound region schools.	\$5000.00
Artist Fees (Actors @ CAE+ Scale) (100%)		\$6000.00
Artist Expenses (50%)	Accommodations, Transportation, Daily Expenses x 13 (incl 2 tech)	\$5000.00
Production & Admin Expenses (20%)	Rentals: Stockey & Equipment; Administration	\$1000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$20,000.00</b>

The actual costs associated with this production total \$48,500.00. A significant portion of projected costs will be subsidized by the FoTS. A detailed breakdown of the NNDSB performance costs/revenues may be found in the attached document.

What experience would our students gain or acquire that may not be available to them otherwise. We would like to hear how this funding will help you achieve your goals:

The Festival of the Sound's "Sounding Thunder" production offers an evocative multi-disciplinary performance to extend and enrich students' understanding of Indigenous history, culture, perspectives and worldviews. Aligned with the district-wide implementation of the Grade 11 NBE3, (English credit) - Understanding Contemporary First Nation, Metis & Inuit Voices course, this experience will enable students to attend live performances that celebrate local Indigenous history, and grow intercultural understanding, empathy, and mutual respect.

Originally commissioned by and premiered at the FOTS in 2018, Sounding Thunder: The Song of Francis Pegahmagabow centres on the renowned Ojibwe sniper from Shawanaga and Wasauksing First Nations, a decorated military officer and founder of the early Indigenous political movement in Canada. The production draws upon the memoirs of the man himself, family recollections, and historical sources to introduce audiences to a neglected recounting of Indigenous history through a dynamic musical presentation.

[Sounding Thunder the Song of Francis Pegahmagabow – Performance - Video](#)

Composed by Tim Corlis and written by Ojibwe poet Armand Garnet Ruffo, Sounding Thunder explores Pegahmagabow's early years immersed in the world of the Anishinaabe spirits, his extraordinary accomplishments in the trenches of WWI, and his political life as Chief of the Wasauksing Ojibwe. The [performance](#) is narrated by

author and great-grandson of Francis Pegahmagabow, Brian D. McInnes, making this event even more intimate and emotive.

Students will learn from both local Indigenous and non-Indigenous artists as they share this incredible story. Furthermore, this event will illustrate the NNDSB's ongoing efforts to realize the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action, specifically those related to *education for reconciliation*, including;

*#63: We call upon the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada to maintain an annual commitment to Aboriginal education issues, including:*

- I. Developing and implementing Kindergarten to Grade Twelve curriculum and learning resources on Aboriginal peoples in Canadian history, and the history and legacy of residential schools.*
- II. Sharing information and best practices on teaching curriculum related to residential schools and Aboriginal history.*
- III. Building student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy, and mutual respect.**
- IV. Identifying teacher-training needs relating to the above.*

This partnership and funding will enable:

- All Grade 4-6 and 9-12 students in the West Region to access a performance of Sounding Thunder: The Song of Francis Pegahmagabow.
- Grade 11 students in all regions to access a performance of Sounding Thunder: The Song of Francis Pegahmagabow, aligned with curriculum expectations for the NBE3 Understanding Contemporary First Nation, Metis & Inuit Voices course.

**West Region – 4 (90 minute) Performances – Grade 4 – 12 March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

- Grade 4-6 and 9-12 students in the West Region will be invited to attend a performance on Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at the Charles W. Stockey Centre for the Performing Arts (10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.)

**North Region – 2 (90 minute) Performances - Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 @ WFSS**

- Grade 11 students in the East and North Region will be invited to attend a performance at West Ferris Secondary School. (10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.)
- WFSS Grade 10 and 12 students and community guests will be invited to attend the afternoon show.

The “Sounding Thunder” performance will enhance students’ knowledge and appreciation of local, contemporary and traditional First Nation traditions, cultures, and perspectives and inspire continued learning and reflection throughout the grade 11 NBE3 Understanding Contemporary First Nation, Metis & Inuit Voices (English credit) course.

The 2021-26 NNDSB MYSP acknowledges and values the teachings and principles of Indigenous culture and history. This partnership will enable the Near North District School Board to advance its' multi-year strategic commitments to:

- Providing an equitable and inclusive environment that champions learning opportunities for all.
- Creating opportunities for equitable access to programs and services for students.
- Delivering programs and services that embrace the culture and diversity of students and all partners.
- Optimizing learning, including experiential learning opportunities to deepen and transform learning.
- Ensuring students and all partners feel heard, valued and supported.

Date funding required:	February 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2023
<b><i>For Board Use Only</i></b>	
Application submitted	January 27, 2023
Classification:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Operational impacts <input type="checkbox"/> Governance impacts
Executive Council Nominator	Melanie Gray, Superintendent of Teaching and Learning
Presented to trustees	February 14, 2023
Outcome:	
Approved by:	
Signature	
Date	
Date Final Report Submitted	

# Festival *of the* Sound



MUSIC  
SCORES!





# Festival *of the* Sound



“Music Scores!” is Festival of the Sounds’ music education program. Since 2005 the Festival has linked local educators to many of our country’s finest musicians through live, in person workshops and performances that engage and delight students.

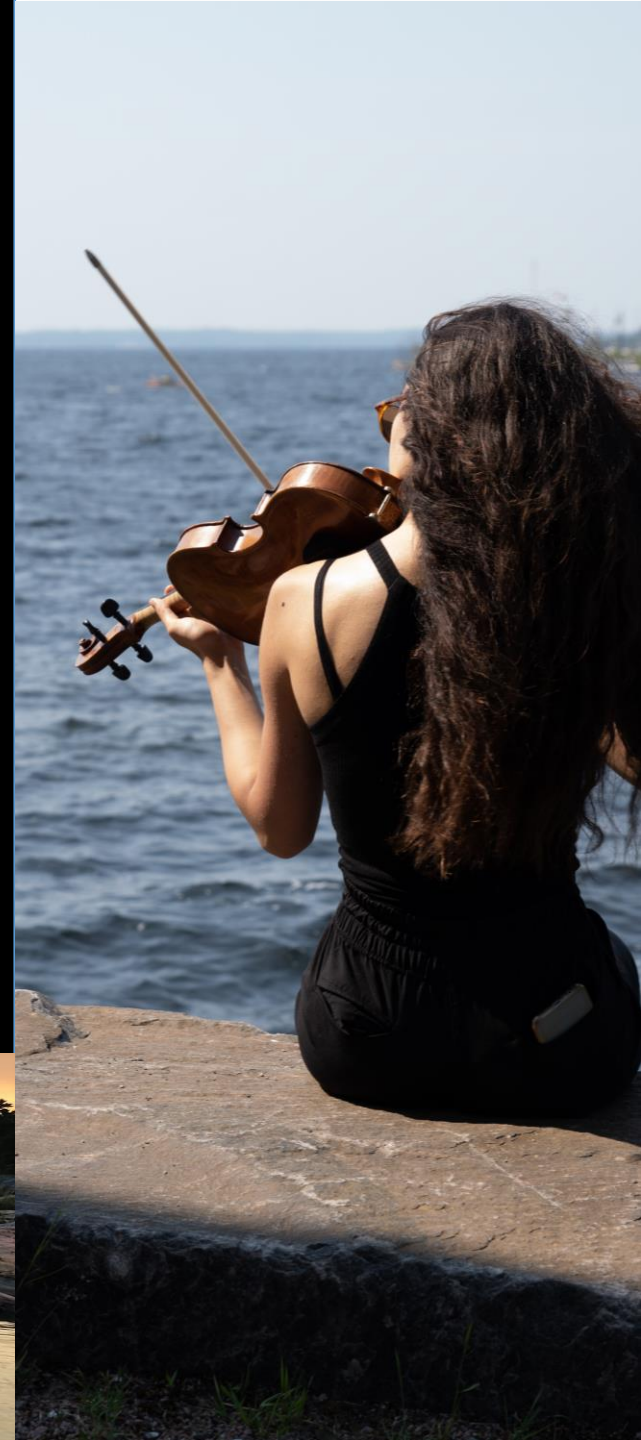
In 2021 the program was repositioned to address specific curriculum needs and strategic priorities for the education sector.

# Music Scores 2022

2022 saw two installments of Music Scores delivered to students in Grades 4 - 6 in West Region.

The Spring edition was held online due to COVID-19. In Fall the artists were able to visit classrooms in person. On December 1 we culminated a year of creation with two special performances at the Stockey Centre, Parry Sound.

Watch video here: [Music Scores 2022 Trailer](#) (3:42)





# "Music Scores!" Spring 2023

Sounding Thunder: The Song of  
Francis Pegahmagabow

Composer: Timothy Corliss  
Libretto: Armand Ruffo

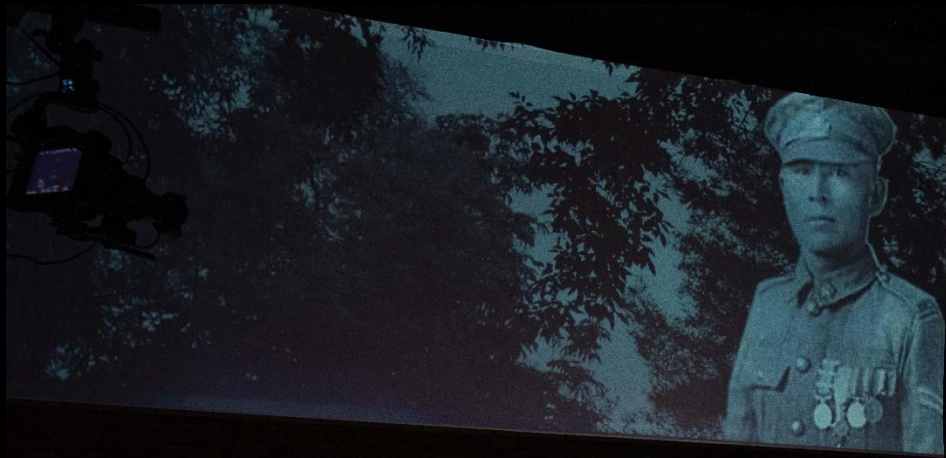
Based on the biography  
"Sounding Thunder: The Stories of  
Francis Pegahmagabow" by  
Brian D. McInnes

# Sounding Thunder

The Song of Francis Pegahmagabow



"Sounding Thunder: The Song of Francis Pegahmagabow" is the true story of the Ojibwe Canadian WWI hero from Wasauksing First Nation.



# The Company:

8 Musicians

3 Actors

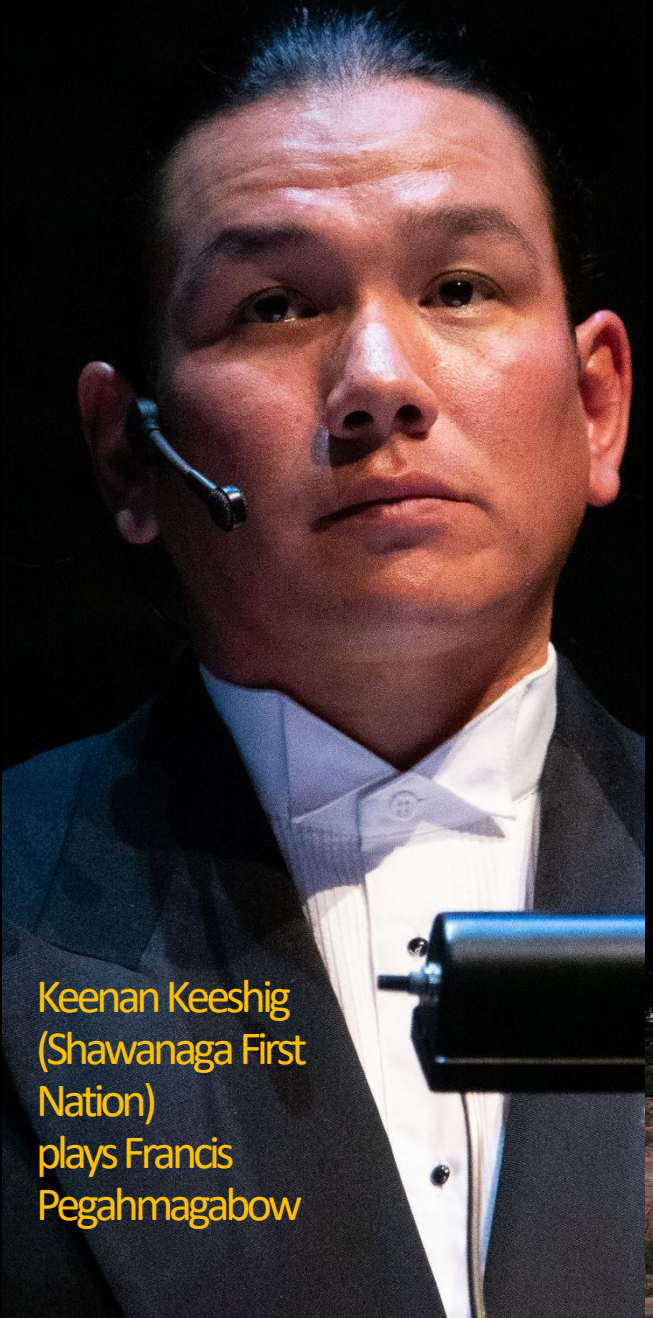
2 Crew

The touring company is comprised of a combined Indigenous and non-Indigenous cast and crew.

Narrator Brian D. McInnes is a great-grandson of Francis Pegahmagabow.

# Expenses

Artist Fees	\$22,000
Artist Expenses (Accoms, etc)	\$10,000
Technicians & Expense	\$3500
Production Expense (Rentals)	\$2500
Student Transportation	\$8000
Administration	\$2500
TOTAL	\$48,500



Keenan Keeshig  
(Shawanaga First  
Nation)  
plays Francis  
Pegahmagabow



# Revenues

Music Performance Trust Fund	\$10,600
Canadian Arts Presentation Fund	\$9,400
Ontario Arts Endowment	\$3,500
Canada Council for the Arts	\$5,000
NNDSB	\$20,000
TOTAL	\$48,500

Keenan Keeshig  
(Shawanaga First  
Nation)  
plays Francis  
Pegahmagabow



<b>Title:</b>	<b>NNDSB Board of Trustees Bylaw Amendments for Consideration</b>
<b>Contact:</b>	Trustee Louise Sargent
<b>Date Submitted:</b>	February 14, 2023
<b>Mandate:</b>	In alignment with NNDSB Bylaw 102, Trustee Louise Sargent provided notice to the Secretary of the Board, Director Myles, requesting an item be placed on the agenda for discussion during the February Committee of the Whole meeting.
<b>Background:</b>	<p>In 2017 as part of Bill 68, Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, a change was proposed ahead of the 2022 Municipal and School Board elections that the term for new trustees would begin earlier. The Municipal Elections Act was amended in section 6(1). With this clarified, an amendment was noted in The Education Act in section 208(2). The Board Chair, at the time, filed a motion for the Board Meeting on March 22, 2022, with proposed changes to the bylaws. He stated that it was “noted that amendments are needed to ensure NNDSB’s bylaws remain consistent with the legislative change given that the term of office for new trustees will begin on November 15, 2022.” These were required amendments because of Bill 68. The Board Chair went on to state: “With the eventual return to in-person board meetings, this proposed an ideal opportunity for the board to align current practice regarding meeting schedules to increase efficiency.” Thus, amendments were proposed in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BL 102- Board Meetings- change to section 1 to indicate Regular meetings shall normally be held on the second Tuesday of each month.</li> <li>• BL 104- Committee of the Whole Board- inclusion of a statement regarding the intention to align meetings to Regular meetings, where possible.</li> <li>• BL 107- Place and Time of Meetings/ Notification of News Media change proposed to reflect current practice of convening at 6:30 PM.</li> <li>• Both the required and proposed amendments were passed by the Board that evening.</li> </ul> <p>Trustee Sargent is asking that the Board of Trustees amend the latter set of amendments to reflect the reinstatement of the Committee of the Whole Meetings as they were originally intended to be run. Although the change in meeting schedules were convenient, the voice of individual Trustees, as well as discussion opportunities prior to decision making were greatly affected. The role and responsibilities of the Trustees requires us to make informed decisions that require opportunities for discussion amongst all the</p>

	<p>Trustees. Having the Committee of the Whole on the second Tuesday of the month and the Regular Board meeting in the fourth week of the month allows proper allotment of time and opportunity to make wise, informed decisions. This also allows the Board of Trustees to be able to hear public input in a much more efficient, practical, and timely manner.</p> <p>With two separate meeting dates a month, it allows the Board of Trustees to schedule presentations to celebrate student success and re-enforce our Multi Year Strategic Plan with concrete examples that are occurring in NNDSB.</p> <p>Trustee Sargent is asking that the required amendments because of Bill 68 remain intact, but the amendments that were proposed for the efficiency rationale be changed to reflect the importance of the necessity of having The Committee of the Whole and the Regular Board meeting spaced apart. Amendments are proposed in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BL 102</b> – Board Meetings – change to section 1: Regular meetings of the Near North District School Board shall be normally held during the fourth week of each month, September through June.</li> <li>• <b>BL 104</b> – Committee of the Whole Board – deletion of section 4 – Where possible, Committee of the Whole Meeting will be scheduled to occur on the same meeting date as the Regular meetings.</li> <li>• <b>BL 107</b> – Place and Time of Meetings/Notification of News Media – Section 1. Regular meetings of the Board in Public Session, held the fourth week of each month (September to June) shall be held at 6:00 p.m.</li> </ul> <p>There needs to be two-thirds of a majority vote of trustees on the prevailing side for these amendments to pass.</p>
<p><b>Resolution:</b></p>	<p>That the Board of Trustees reinstates the Committee of the Whole Meetings to be held on the second Tuesday of each month from September to June.</p> <p>That the Board of Trustees reinstates the Regular Board meetings during the fourth week of each month from September to June.</p> <p>That the Board of Trustees receives the bylaw amendments for consideration and endorses the modifications to update our By-Laws in sections BL 102, BL 104, and BL 107.</p>