



Memorandum

Date: April 10, 2026
To: Finance and Planning Committee
From: Kate Cumming, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Action Item: **Trustee Indemnity for the 2026/2027 Fiscal Year**

1.0 RELEVANT BOARD MOTION/DIRECTION

Main 25P-042 (May 14, 2025 Public Board Meeting)

THAT: The Board of Education set the Trustee Indemnity, in accordance with the most recent BC Consumer Price Index of 2.5% for the period July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 thereby setting the stipend at: Trustee - \$25,564, Vice-Chair - \$27,000, Chair - \$29,181.

2.0 BACKGROUND

Each school district is responsible for setting its own trustee indemnity rate. Per the 2025 BCSTA Survey results, many districts use the BC Consumer Price Index to set trustee remuneration.

3.0 POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION

In accordance with Board Policy 156 – Finance and Planning Committee, the proposed Trustee Indemnity for the 2026/2027 fiscal year has been calculated as follows:

Position	F25-26 Wage	CPI Factor	F26-27 Wage
Trustee	25,564	2.1%	26,102
Vice Chair	27,000	2.1%	27,567
Chair	29,181	2.1%	29,794

This increase, if approved by the Board of Education, will cost the District approximately \$4,140/year.

4.0 STAFF RECOMMENDATION

THAT: The Finance and Planning Committee recommends to the Board:

THAT: The Board of Education set the Trustee Indemnity, in accordance with the most recent BC Consumer Price Index of 2.1% for the period July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, thereby setting the stipend at: Trustee - \$26,102, Vice-Chair - \$27,567, Chair - \$29,794.

5.0 APPENDIX

A. Statistics Canada Consumer Price Index

STATISTICS CANADA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002 = 100) - 12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGE

Month- Year	CANADA		BRITISH COLUMBIA		VANCOUVER		VICTORIA	
	12-Month Average All-Items Index	12-Month Average % Change	12-Month Average All-Items Index	12-Month Average % Change	12-Month Average All-Items Index	12-Month Average % Change	12-Month Average All-Items Index	12-Month Average % Change
Jan-24	157.5	3.6	151.6	3.7	154.5	4.0	148.5	3.4
Feb-24	157.8	3.4	151.9	3.4	154.9	3.8	148.9	3.1
Mar-24	158.2	3.3	152.3	3.2	155.2	3.6	149.1	2.9
Apr-24	158.6	3.2	152.6	3.1	155.6	3.5	149.4	2.7
May-24	158.9	3.1	153.0	3.1	156.0	3.4	149.8	2.7
Jun-24	159.3	3.1	153.3	3.0	156.3	3.3	150.2	2.7
Jul-24	159.6	3.1	153.7	3.0	156.6	3.2	150.5	2.7
Aug-24	159.9	2.9	154.0	2.9	156.9	3.0	150.8	2.7
Sep-24	160.1	2.7	154.2	2.8	157.1	2.8	151.0	2.6
Oct-24	160.4	2.6	154.5	2.7	157.4	2.7	151.3	2.6
Nov-24	160.6	2.5	154.8	2.7	157.7	2.6	151.6	2.5
Dec-24	160.9	2.4	155.2	2.6	158.1	2.6	151.9	2.5
Jan-25	161.1	2.3	155.5	2.5	158.4	2.5	152.1	2.4
Feb-25	161.5	2.3	155.8	2.6	158.7	2.5	152.4	2.4
Mar-25	161.8	2.2	156.2	2.6	159.1	2.5	152.7	2.4
Apr-25	162.0	2.2	156.4	2.5	159.3	2.4	153.0	2.4
May-25	162.2	2.1	156.7	2.4	159.7	2.4	153.2	2.3
Jun-25	162.5	2.0	157.0	2.4	160.0	2.4	153.5	2.2
Jul-25	162.7	1.9	157.2	2.3	160.2	2.3	153.7	2.1
Aug-25	163.0	1.9	157.5	2.3	160.5	2.3	154.0	2.1
Sep-25	163.3	2.0	157.7	2.2	160.7	2.3	154.3	2.2
Oct-25	163.6	2.0	158.0	2.2	161.0	2.3	154.7	2.3
Nov-25	163.9	2.0	158.2	2.2	161.3	2.3	155.1	2.3
Dec-25	164.2	2.1	158.5	2.1	161.4	2.1	155.4	2.3
Jan-26	164.5	2.1	158.7	2.1	161.7	2.1	155.7	2.3

Note: The 12-month average % change is calculated using unrounded 12-month averages, not the rounded figures that appear in this document.

Note also: December figures are annual averages published by Statistics Canada; all other months are calculated by BC Stats.

Adapted from Statistics Canada, Consumer Price Index (CPI), February 2026. This does not constitute an endorsement by Statistics Canada of this product.