

ELEMENTARY TEACHERS' FEDERATION OF ONTARIO
NEW BUSINESS MOTIONS
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2017
GENERAL SESSIONS 1 & 2

1. A. Chevis (Simcoe County Teacher Local) / M. Shillolo (Simcoe County Teacher Local)

That ETFO contribute \$25,000 toward the commissioning of an alternative art project in the vicinity of the current Champlain Monument in Orillia to address the bias and insensitivity of the current monument and to demonstrate our support for the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

2. M. Spagnuolo (Greater Essex County Teacher Local) / J. Pelich (Waterloo Region Teacher Local)

That ETFO publically endorse and financially support One Public Education Now – a coalition of groups and individuals who are crowd-funding for constitutional challenge through our courts to eliminate the public funding of the duplicate Catholic Separate School System; and that ETFO become an intervener in the potential court challenge.

3. F. Pareja (Peel Teacher Local) / S. Sawyer (Grand Erie Teacher Local)

That ETFO call upon all school districts to examine and rename schools and buildings named after Sir John A. Macdonald, in recognition of his central role as the architect of genocide against Indigenous Peoples, the impact that this has on the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous students, parents, and educators, and the ways in which his namesake buildings can contribute to an unsafe space to learn and to work.

4. L. Abraham (Peel Occasional Teacher Local) / G. Bannister-Clarke (Executive)

That a task force of the Executive be established to determine what, if any, contribution ETFO can make to people of African descent in Ontario in connection with the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent, with a report to the 2018 Annual Meeting.

5. D. Dewing (Executive) / Y. Blackburn (Executive)

That ETFO write a letter to the Chair of the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan (OTPP) Board expressing our opposition to the OTPP investing in for-profit child care providers.

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that ETFO, through the OTF, lobby the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan to divest of investments in for-profit child care providers.

6. Y. Blackburn (Executive) / D. Dewing (Executive)

That the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario endorse Bill C-262 and its call for the laws of Canada to be in harmony with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

7. N. Lawler (Executive) / K. Campbell (Executive)

That ETFO study and report on a process that allows for input from Representative Council into the development of the list of items for Central Bargaining with a report to the February 2018 Representative Council and a process for approval at the 2018 Annual Meeting.

8. M. Spagnuolo (Greater Essex County Teacher Local) / S. Barry (Greater Essex County Teacher Local)

That a task force of the Annual Meeting be established to investigate the implications of merging with other education worker unions, specifically OSSTF, in Ontario, with a report to the May 2018 Representative Council.

9. D. Henderson (Hastings-Prince Edward Teacher Local) / A. Ryan (Renfrew County Teacher Local)

That the General Secretary prepare an annual report outlining the practical steps taken and progress made on the implementation of the Leap Manifesto as a result of the May 2017 Representative Council motion, and earlier endorsement by the Provincial Executive, to "sign onto and endorse the Leap Manifesto." Issues to be covered in the annual report shall include, but not be limited to, use of local food sources at meetings and workshops, financial assistance to locals for retro-fitting of local offices, increased use of public transit by members, and alternatives to reduce carbon-intensive travel to provincial meetings.