



OSSTF Toronto

I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is taking place upon traditional territories. The territories include the Wendat, Anishinabek (Anish-na-bick) Nation, the Haudenosaunee (Ho-di-show-nee) Confederacy, and the Mississaugas of the Credit, in addition to the land or territory where you are participating from today. I would also recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples on this land.

Black, Indigenous, Workers of Colour (BIWOC) Committee – April 4, 2023 Meeting

1. Meeting to order – 4:30pm
2. Land Acknowledgment
3. Introductions
4. Executive Report
5. Annual Goals
6. New Business
7. Adjournment

This Committee provides a space where issues of concern to Black, Indigenous, and Workers of Colour can be raised and discussed. The Committee also determines an annual set of goals that reflect issues of concern to Black, Indigenous, and Workers of Colour and that advance OSSTF Toronto and public education. The Committee makes recommendations on how to better incorporate anti-racism and decolonization into our union and how to better address the concerns of Black, Indigenous, and Workers of Colour over the long-term and to report same to the District Executive as requested. (District Constitution, BIWOC Terms of Reference)

Black, Indigenous and Workers of Colour Committee tentative meeting dates

Thurs. May 25
 Thurs. June 8

Possible Annual Goals	Names	Dates
Review the Terms of Reference		Possible change at DAGM 2023
Land Acknowledgement		
BIWOC name Indigenous, Black, and Racialized Voices (IBRV)		Possible change at DAGM 2023
Engage more BIWOC members in OSSTF Toronto (have the largest gathering of BIWOC members in history) Have various events: picnic, workshops indiv, group workshops		
Effective strategies or supports that could be put in place for coping for injuries as a result of Anti-Black racism (work in conjunction with Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Officers)		

Sustainability in our City and our Schools

A workshop for OSSTF Toronto members

April 11, 2023, 4PM-6:30PM

Nexus Lounge, OISE, 252 Bloor Street West

with special guest speakers:



Diane Saxe

Ward 11 City Councillor
and former
Environmental
Commissioner of
Ontario



Hilary Inwood

Coordinator, OISE's
Sustainability & Climate
Action Network



Shelagh Pizey-Allen

Executive Director,
TTCriders

presented by the  **OSSTF Toronto Eco Committee**

On April 11th, 2023, at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education Nexus Lounge (252 Bloor St West, 12th floor), from 4PM to 6:30PM, the OSSTF Toronto Eco Committee will be hosting a workshop on sustainability and environmental issues that impact students and education workers in the city of Toronto. Guest presenters include [Diane Saxe](#), City of Toronto Councillor and former Environmental Commissioner of Ontario; [Hilary Inwood](#), Coordinator of OISE's Sustainability & Climate Action Network; and Shelagh Pizey-Allen, Executive Director of [TTCriders](#). Light refreshments will be provided. Members can [register for the event here](#).

Ontario Alliance of Black School Educators (ONABSE) 2023 Virtual Provincial Conference

[Ontario Alliance of Black School Educators \(ONABSE\)](#) will be hosting their 2023 Provincial Conference and Annual General Meeting (AGM) from Friday, April 28 to Saturday, April 29, 2023. The theme for this year's conference is, *Leadership, Literacy & Black Excellence Through an Afro/Africentric Lens*.

Members who sign up for this conference can apply to Account 2016 – Anti-Racism and Equity Training for Members to have their conference fees reimbursed. Members are to submit their [applications for Account 2016 funding](#) through their local District Office. Please contact mteixeira@osstftoronto.ca with your completed form so that the reimbursement can be processed.

Questions about the ONABSE conference can be directed to CONFERENCE@ONABSE.ORG.

OSSTF Federation Family Education Fund – Application Glitch

OSSTF/FEESO has been made aware that there have been some application forms submitted online to the [Federation Family Education Fund](#) that have not been received at Provincial Office due to a technical glitch with the inbox that receives the submitted applications.

As there is no mechanism for us to determine which applications were not received, we would like to encourage anyone who has submitted an application to the Federation Family Education Fund to resubmit the application.

Please note that when applications are submitted successfully, you will receive a “thank you” confirmation; if you do not or did not receive one, please contact esdawards@osstf.ca.

We thank you for your patience and understanding. The deadline for applications to the Federation Family Fund is April 15.

For more information please [review this memo](#).

Union Training Academy (Spring Sessions)

Registration for the Union Training Academy (Spring Sessions) is now open. Please be advised that these training sessions are intended for OSSTF/FEESO Members only.

There is no cost to register and attend the training sessions. However, any expenditures for members that may be associated with attending the training sessions are the responsibility of the District or Bargaining Unit.

Bargaining Units can use [Account 2010 – Professional Development and Union Training](#), to defray costs that may arise.

Please click [HERE](#) to view the list of sessions and to register.

Registration for each training session will be available until 11:59 p.m. three (3) business days before the event. Zoom meeting links for the training will be sent out 24 hours before each session.

For more information, please contact, Jenny.Chen@osstf.ca or Gary.Fenn@osstf.ca.

Please note that the registration link can only be accessed by logging into the “Registered User” section of the provincial website.

If you have not yet confirmed your account on our website, you will be prompted to do so by using your email address. If you have any issues with confirming your account, please contact Membership Database at Provincial Office via email at Membership-Database@osstf.ca or by phone at [416-751-8300](tel:416-751-8300) or [1-800-267-7867](tel:1-800-267-7867)).