

TRUSTEE CONFERENCE REPORT

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Date Submitted: January 31, 2025

Name of Conference: OPSBA Public Education Symposium

Sponsoring Organization: WRDSB

Theme (if any): The Time Is Now

Conference Dates: January 23-25, 2025

Location: Toronto

Workshops/Seminars/Presentations/Keynote Speeches Attended:

THURSDAY, January 23, 2025

7:00 p.m. Black Trustee Caucus with Indigenous Trustee Caucus

FRIDAY, January 24, 2025

9:00 Welcome & Opening Remarks

Keynote Speaker: Ovide Mercredi, Former Chief of the Assembly of First Nations

10:15 Break

10:45 Good Governance - Giselle Basanta Asst. Deputy Minister

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Education & Human Rights - Patricia DeGuire

2:30 Insights from Ontario's Opposition Education Critics

3:45 Black Trustee Caucus

5:00 Remarks from Minister of Education, Jill Dunlop

SATURDAY, January 25, 2025

9:00 Strategists Panel

10:00 Break

10:30 Trustee Code of Conduct: Bill 198

11:45 Central West Region Meeting Working Lunch

2:15 Thinking Through the New DPA

3:45 Strategic Advocacy: Building Influence & Credibility on On's Education Landscape

6:30 Gala Dinner & Awards