# PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDS



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# EXCERPT FROM ONTARIO REGULATION 612/00 FOR SCHOOL COUNCILS

#### **Fundraising**

- 22. (1) Subject to subsection (2), a school council may engage in fundraising activities.
  - (2) A school council shall not engage in fundraising activities unless,
    - (a) the activities are conducted in accordance with any applicable policies established by the Board; and
    - (b) the activities are to raise funds for a purpose approved by the Board or authorized by any applicable policies established by the Board.
  - (3) A school council shall ensure that the funds raised by it are used in accordance with any applicable policies established by the Board.

#### **Consultation with Parents**

23. A school council shall consult with parents of pupils enrolled in the school about matters under consideration by the council.

## **Annual Report**

- 24. (1) Every school council shall annually submit a written report on its activities to the principal of the school and to the Board that established the council.
  - (2) If the school council engages in fundraising activities, the annual report shall include a report on those activities.
  - (3) The principal shall, on behalf of the school council, give a copy of the report to every parent of a pupil who, on the date the copy is given, is enrolled in the school.
  - (4) Subsection (3) may be complied with by,
    - (a) giving the report to the parent's child for delivery to his or her parent; and
    - (b) posting the report in the school in a location that is accessible to parents.

#### **Transition**

25. Every school council established by a Board before this Regulation comes into force is continued.

## http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/general/elemsec/council/guide.html

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORTING

The following are excerpts from Ministry of Education Memo 2004:B4 with respect to financial reporting by school councils:

- Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) recommendations aim to bring financial reporting standards for local governments in line with provincial governments, municipalities and the private sector.
- As part of this move to the recognized accounting standard, school boards are required to
  include in their financial statements the revenue, expenditures, assets and liabilities of all
  organizations considered to be part of the "reporting entity". This requirement is part of the
  reporting standard set by the accounting profession.
- School councils are established under the authority of the Education Act, Section 22 of Ontario Regulation 612/00 which provides for school councils to engage in fundraising activities, but requires that the activities are conducted, and the funds be used, in accordance with policies established by the board. Section 24 requires that the school council prepares and submits to the board an annual report on its activities, including fundraising activities.
- School councils and local communities should know that the inclusion of school fund information in a board's financial statements will in no way alter the existing control and management of school-generated funds and activities. School councils will still be able to raise funds and make decisions about the use of those funds in the same way as before.
- The reporting of school funds in a board's financial statements will not affect the total amounts allocated by the province to school boards or the amount allocated by the province to any individual school board. Summary information on school funds will be presented at the board level. School fund information will not be reported in the financial statements on a school-byschool basis.

Toronto District School Board recognizes that fundraising is a volunteer activity, with school councils deciding independently whether or not to engage in fundraising activities.

Moreover, accounting standards require that money raised from parent and student fundraising activities continue to be accounted for separately from the board's operating revenues and not part of its operating fund. These school-generated funds cannot be used by a school board to balance its operating budget.

# Accountability

School Council is responsible for ensuring that all funds received from fundraising activities or other sources are collected in accordance with Board policies and Ministry of Education Regulations; that all funds are adequately safeguarded; that they are controlled through proper accounting procedures; and, that accountability of the funds is maintained. It is the responsibility of the School Council Chair on behalf of the School Council to ensure that all fundraising activities involving students and/or the school comply with Board policies and procedures.

This document provides standard administrative and accounting procedures to be implemented by School Councils for recording and reporting School Council Funds.

Established controls are only as good as their enforcement. It is important that all members support and follow the established practices.

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## Definition, Plan and Use of School Council Funds

#### What are School Council Funds?

• Funds raised or collected to enhance programs and to support specific school initiatives

#### What is a Fundraising Plan?

- A Fundraising Plan (or Budget) addresses the following issues:
  - Use of surplus School Council Funds from previous year(s), which may be invested in G.I.C.s and other investments not designated for a specific purpose
  - o Fundraising initiatives to be undertaken for the coming school year
  - Use of other School Council Funds anticipated during the school year

#### Who should develop the Plan?

- Develop fundraising plan in consultation with Principal and School Community
- Fundraising activities/initiatives must be pre-approved by the Principal

#### Use of School Council Funds

- Funds must be raised for a specific purpose and spent accordingly.
- Intended use of funds must be clearly defined prior to the start of fundraising activity.

Fundraising initiatives and spending decisions must also meet the following criteria:

- All funds collected or raised for students must be spent on student programs/activities.
- Funds are to be used within the school year, unless designated for a specific future project.
- The School Council Funds account cannot be in a deficit position at any time during the school year.
- Funds cannot be used to pay or offset salaries of permanent or casual employees.
- If funds are to be used for teacher professional development, this must be discussed with the Principal prior to any commitment to spend the money.

## Definition, Plan and Use of School Council Funds

#### **Donations and Gifts-in-Kind:**

All accepted donations and gifts-in-kind to schools or to the TDSB from the School Council become the exclusive property of the Board. The Board will administer donated funds according to the intent of the donor. With respect to non-monetary gifts, every attempt will be made to honour the intent of the donor as to use and location of the gifts, but TDSB does not make any commitment as to their use, replacement or disposal.

#### **Registered Charitable Organizations and Foundations:**

- Registered Charitable Organizations and Foundations (public and private) are separate legal entities registered with Canada Revenue Agency.
- Must comply with the requirements of The Income Tax Act with respect to conducting its
  activities, keeping proper books and records, issuing donation receipts, and filing an annual
  Registered Charity Information Return and Financial Statements.
- Must have the approval of the Board to be affiliated with a school.
- Must be able to show proof of current registered charity status.
- Employees of the Board may not be officers of these organizations.

Principals may grant approval to raise money for, and/or otherwise participate in, fundraising in support of non-profit and charitable organizations operating in the interest of children or the community at large. These organizations' objectives cannot be of a religious or political nature. Approval should be obtained from the school superintendent if the school administration is uncertain as to the objectives of the organization.

# Financial Management

#### **Required Accounting Controls:**

#### The Treasurer shall:

- Ensure that School Council Funds are kept separate from personal funds.
- Ensure that proper accounting records are maintained for all revenues and expenses.
- Monitor the status of the funds on a monthly basis by reviewing and signing the Bank Reconciliation Summary Report and Cash Flow Report (see Appendix 3).
- Report the status of the funds on a monthly basis to School Council members
- Ensure that any investments of surplus funds not immediately required are:
  - Under the name of the School Council referencing the School and TDSB
  - Controlled through the School Council Treasurer
  - Invested for no longer than one year
  - o Invested in non-risk investments (Canada Savings Bond, term deposit, G.I.C.).

#### **Recordkeeping System:**

- Quicken XG 2006 is the current standard accounting software in TDSB and may be used to track School Council Funds.
- School Council is responsible for the purchase of Quicken from School Council Funds.
   Designated School Council funds are available through the School Budget.
- The School Council Treasurer may use this software for the period of time he/she is in the position of Treasurer.
- At the end of the Treasurer's term, he/she will: 1) give the Quicken software package to the new Treasurer; 2) email the Quicken data file to the new Treasurer
- An accounting software package provides built-in controls, which are not inherent in a manual or spreadsheet system.
- Quicken simplifies recordkeeping by:
  - o Providing automatic balancing, bank reconciliation and reports
  - Using "categories" to track each fundraising activity (e.g. Spring Fair) separately
  - Tracking receipts and disbursements for each activity separately in order to be able to report total income and total expense at reporting date.
- Members assigned to the recordkeeping function may receive Quicken training.

# **Banking Arrangements**

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#### **Bank Account:**

 All School Council Funds should be maintained through one central bank account under the school council's name.

- The bank account must provide monthly statements (not a passbook).
- It is recommended that school councils use **PACE Community Credit Union**\* financial institution which provides deposit pick-up service and on-line account balances.
- School Council members must not use personal accounts for processing and recording School Council Funds.
- No loans shall be made to Council members.
- No School Council member's cheque shall be cashed.
- Bank reconciliations must be completed by the treasurer and independently reviewed (signed) by the Chair on a monthly basis.

#### **Signing Officers:**

- School Council/Bank agreements must indicate that a minimum of two signing authorities is required for a cheque. (Identifying one other signing officer allows flexibility in the event of absences.)
- All cheques must require at least two signatures, one of whom must be the School Council
   Chair or Treasurer, with a recommendation that the Principal have co-signing authority.
- Signature stamps must not be used.
- In many cases, School Council officers change annually. Changes involving signing
  authorities must be communicated to the financial institution in writing prior to school council
  member leaving the position.

# **Banking Arrangements**

#### **Cheques:**

- All cheques must be pre-numbered and used sequentially (only one book at a time).
- Blank cheques must not be pre-signed.
- No cheque shall be signed unless the payee, date and specific amount has already been entered and supporting documentation exists.
- Blank cheques shall be controlled by a designated person and stored in a secure location.
- Voided cheques (marked "void" and with signature area removed) must be retained as part of the financial records.
- When new cheques are ordered, security protected cheques should be requested.

#### **Deposits:**

The person who collects the funds:

- Counts the money in the presence of another person and completes a Deposit Voucher on School Site (see Appendix 2a).
- Attaches the Deposit Voucher to the sealed envelope containing the funds. Both parties should sign the sealed envelope.
- Records the deposit details in the Deposit Log (see Appendix 2b) and submits the envelope to the person responsible for depositing funds.

The person responsible for making deposits:

- Counts the money submitted and verifies details in the Deposit Log. If a discrepancy exists
  in the amount, the person submitting the deposit is notified and initials the change on the
  Deposit Voucher.
- Deposits cash on a timely basis.
- Stores funds in a secure location (locked safe) at the school until funds are deposited.
- Prepares the bank deposit slip and attaches the Deposit Voucher(s) to the copy of the bank deposit slip.
- Funds should <u>not</u> leave the school premises for counting.
- Enters a deposit transaction into the Quicken register so as to be directly traceable to the supporting documents:
  - Date field in register matches date of bank deposit slip
  - Transaction Type field is marked "deposit"
  - o Payee field reflects name of the person submitting funds
  - Amount field matches the total amount on deposit slip
  - Category field reflects the appropriate activity (e.g. Terry Fox Deposit)
  - Description field allows for (optional) additional information.
- When the deposit slip amount is made up of several Deposit Vouchers, enter one deposit transaction in the Quicken, split among the various activities/clubs.

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#### Payments:

All payments must be made by cheque – not by using cash collected.

The person requesting payment:

- Completes a Payment Voucher (see Appendix 2c).
- Attaches **original** receipts supporting the expense to the Payment Voucher.

The person issuing cheque:

- Notes the cheque number on the Payment Voucher.
- Enters cheque details into the Quicken register when the cheque is issued (or as soon as possible) to ensure continuous control over the account balance.
- Ensures account balance is sufficient to cover the cheque amount.
- Cheques must be prepared by one person to ensure that all payments are recorded and to decrease the possibility of duplicate and unsupported payments.
- No advances are to be made.
- In the event of a lost cheque, a replacement cheque can be issued:
  - Verify that the lost cheque has not been cashed
  - Advise the bank to stop payment
  - Make a new entry in the register to reverse the original cheque
  - o Re-issue payment referencing the original cheque issued.

The persons co-signing the cheque:

- Review the supporting documentation attached to the cheque.
- Verify that the expense is appropriate.

#### **Adjustments:**

From time to time, it is necessary to correct or adjust transactions in the accounting register. Corrections or adjustments must be made by creating a new transaction – never by deleting or changing the original entry. All correcting entries should be supported by backup documentation. The following table lists some common situations requiring an adjusting entry.

Scenario	Adjusting Entry Required in Quicken Register
NSF cheque returned	Use NSF notice date for adjusting entry     Enter amount under Payment column     Select the same Income Category used in original deposit entry
Void school cheque – spoiled (cheque is marked "Void" and signature area is torn)	Use current date for adjusting entry Record cheque number in cheque number field Indicate "Void" in Payee field No amount or category is entered
Reversing stale-dated, lost or unused cheques	<ul> <li>Use current date for adjusting entry</li> <li>Enter the original cheque number followed by an "A" (e.g. 143A)</li> <li>Show the payee as "To reverse cheque"</li> <li>Enter amount under Deposit column</li> <li>Select the same Expense Category used in original cheque entry</li> </ul>
Correcting a cheque amount that should have been \$ more	Use a current date for adjusting entry Enter the original cheque number followed by an "A" (e.g. 144A) Show the payee as "To correct cheque" Enter amount under Payment column Select the same Expense Category used in original cheque entry
Correcting a cheque amount that should have been \$ less	<ul> <li>Use a current date for adjusting entry</li> <li>Enter the original cheque number followed by an "A" (e.g. 145A)</li> <li>Show the payee as "To correct cheque"</li> <li>Enter amount under Deposit column</li> <li>Select the same Expense Category used in original cheque entry</li> </ul>
Correcting a deposit amount that should have been \$ more	<ul> <li>Use a current date for adjusting entry</li> <li>Enter the payee as "To correct deposit dated"</li> <li>Enter amount under Deposit column</li> <li>Select the same Income Category used in original deposit entry</li> </ul>
Correcting a deposit amount that should have been \$ less	Use current date for adjusting entry Enter the payee as "To correct deposit dated" Enter amount under Payment column Select the same Income Category used in original deposit entry
Transferring money from one club/activity (Category) to another	Use current date for adjusting entry No amount is entered in the Register – Go to Split Category field Assign a negative amount to club/activity giving the money Assign a positive amount to club/activity receiving the money Select an Income Category for both giver and receiver clubs

#### **Bank Reconciliation:**

A bank reconciliation must be completed on a monthly basis for each account.

- In Quicken, the reconciliation screen lists all outstanding cheques and deposits which must be verified from the current bank statement.
- All items appearing on the current bank statement must be checked off on the reconciliation screen.
- If items appearing in the bank statement are not listed on the reconciliation screen, they are missing in the register and must be entered in order to balance.
- The reconciliation must account for all variances between the bank and the register without the need for a Balance Adjustment.
- Before completing the reconciliation, review the uncleared items for:
  - Voided cheques or other 00.00 amounts (check these off)
  - Adjustments or reversals (check off both adjusting and original entry)
  - Stale-dated cheques (create an adjusting entry if necessary)
  - o Uncleared deposit (investigate any outstanding deposit).
- Any adjusting entries made in order to reconcile the bank statement should be dated the last day of the month being reconciled (rather than current date).
- Once the bank reconciliation is completed:
  - New register transactions must not be back-dated to that period
  - Prior transactions must not be deleted
  - o The Category and Payee fields in prior transactions may be adjusted
  - The Date and Amount fields in prior transactions must not be changed.
- When generating the Reconciliation Summary Report (Appendix 3a):
  - Use the month and year being reconciled as the report title
  - Print it as of the last day of the month being reconciled (not current date)
  - o Attach the bank statement (if available) to report
  - Attach a copy of the register for the month being reconciled
  - Provide to Principal for review and signature
  - File as part of school accounting documents.

# Records Maintenance, File Retention, Quicken Protocol

#### **Records Maintenance - Ongoing:**

Using binders or folders, organize and file current documents as follows:

Document	Organization
Payment Vouchers & attached original supporting documents	File together sequentially by cheque number
Cheque stubs or cheque duplicate copies	File together sequentially by cheque number
Void cheques (marked "void" with signature area torn)	File sequentially by cheque number as part of cheque stubs/copies or Payment Vouchers
Deposit Vouchers	Attached to pertinent Bank Deposit Slip
Bank Deposit Slips	File chronologically by deposit date
Deposit Logs	File chronologically by deposit date - ongoing
Bank Reconciliation Report (signed) with attached bank statement, cancelled cheques and register report	File chronologically by month
Financial Reports (Cash Flow, Itemized Categories, etc.)	File chronologically by month (monthly reports will be cumulative)

#### **Records Retention:**

All accounting records and supporting documents as listed above are to be kept by the school council for seven (7) years as per Canada Revenue Agency requirements. These records and documents are to be packaged together according to school year and stored in a secure but readily accessible location at the school site. The Board's internal or external auditors may review the records.

#### Required Reports (Appendices 3a, 3b, 3c):

#### Monthly - Quicken Reports for Review by School Council Chair:

- Reconciliation Summary Report is generated when the account is reconciled.
- A copy of the register should be printed and attached to Reconciliation Report.
- Cash Flow Report provides a current cumulative balance for the bank account as well as
  the cumulative income and expense for each club/activity. Note that for the balances to
  be accurate, the start date of the reporting period must match the date of the opening
  balance in the Quicken register.

#### Yearly – Required by TDSB Finance Department (required by September 5<sup>th</sup>)

- List of bank account(s) and investments held by school council
- Cash Flow Report for the current reporting period (August 1 to July 31)
- Copy of previous year's July bank statement and bank reconciliation report (this will
  provide the opening balance for the current year's report)
- Copy of current year's July bank statement and bank reconciliation report
- August 1 (previous calendar year) opening balance in Quicken register
- July 31 (current calendar year) closing balance in Quicken register
- Fundraising Plan (to School by October 31)

#### Optional Reports for School Council Use (Appendices 3d, 3e):

- Itemized Categories Report showing details of all transactions as well as overall income and expense balances – for a single club/activity only
- Itemized Categories Report showing details of all transactions as well as overall income and expense balances – summarized by club/activity

# **Appendices**

#### 1. Procedures Timelines

#### 2. Forms

- a. Deposit Voucher
- b. Deposit Log
- c. Payment Voucher

#### 3. Sample Quicken Financial Reports

- a. Bank Reconciliation Summary Report
- b. Print a copy of the Register
- c. Cash Flow Report
- d. Itemized Categories Report for individual club/activity
- e. Itemized Categories Report for all clubs/activities

#### 4. Roles and Responsibilities

#### 5. Policies and Procedures re Fundraising and Corporate Sponsorships

- a. Fundraising Policy P.021 BUS
- b. Fundraising Operational Procedure PR.508 BUS
- c. Advertising Policy P.006 BUS
- d. Advertising Operational Procedure PR.507 BUS

These policies are available at:

www.tdsb.on.ca ▶ Boardroom ▶ Policies and Procedures ▶ Business Services

# Appendix 1 SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDS PROCEDURES TIMELINES

Timeline	Activity	Process	Page
Ongoing	Payments	<ul> <li>Issue cheque per Payment Voucher</li> <li>Enter cheque in Quicken (Expense category)</li> <li>Review Quicken register balance to ensure account is not overdrawn</li> <li>File Payment Voucher &amp; support documents</li> </ul>	10
Ongoing	Deposits	<ul> <li>Receive funds for deposit and secure in safe</li> <li>Count and verify funds for deposit</li> <li>Update Deposit Log entry</li> <li>Prepare Bank Deposit Slip; attach Voucher(s)</li> <li>Enter total deposit amount in Quicken (Income category); split categories if necessary</li> </ul>	9
Monthly	Reports	<ul> <li>Reconcile Quicken register to bank statement</li> <li>Run Reconciliation Report as of last day of month being reconciled</li> <li>Review 2<sup>nd</sup> page of Reconciliation Report for</li> </ul>	12 App 3a App 3a
		<ul><li>details of uncleared cheques and deposits and follow up as necessary</li><li>Create adjusting entries in Quicken register as</li></ul>	(page 2)
		<ul><li>necessary (use current date)</li><li>Print copy of Register (attach to Reconciliation Report)</li></ul>	App 3b
		<ul> <li>File Reconciliation Report signed by Principal</li> <li>Run Cash Flow Report and test for accuracy</li> <li>If required, run Itemized Categories Banking</li> </ul>	App 3c
		Report for all or individual club/activities for Principal/School Council and/or appropriate groups	App 3d App 3e
Yearly	Reports	<ul> <li>Create Fundraising Plan (with Principal, School Community)</li> <li>Review uncleared cheques and deposits in June Reconciliation Report and create required adjusting entries dated July 31</li> <li>Run Reconciliation Report for July year-end</li> <li>Run Cash Flow Report (Aug 1 – Jul 31) and test for accuracy</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Prepare list of bank investments</li> <li>Forward to Finance Dept: Cash Flow Report, list of bank accounts and investments, previous year and current year July Reconciliation Reports with bank statements; opening and closing register balances</li> </ul>	

# **DEPOSIT VOUCHER –SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDS**

ited:
Attach this completed Deposit Voucher to sealed envelope containing funds and submit to Fund Administrator daily.
Keep a copy of this form for your file. Record deposit in Deposit Log.
Signature of Person Collecting Funds

To be used when delivering cash to Fund Administrator

Appendix 2b

DEPOSIT LOG								
Date Submitted	ate Submitted By Club / Activity Amount		Received By	Amount Verified By	Deposit Date			

# PAYMENT VOUCHER – SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDS

Date:	Cheque Requested By:								
Amount: \$ Payable To:									
Club/Activity (Quicken Category) to be charged:									
Details/Description of Expenses:									
	Signature								
Cheque Issued By:	Supporting Documents Attached:								
Cheque Number:	Supporting Documents To Follow:	: 🗆							

#### RECONCILIATION SUMMARY REPORT

(Reconciliation Summary Report always consists of at least 2 pages)

The account name and date the report was generated appear in upper left comer.

December 2005			
ABC SCHOOL NON PUBLIC 2/8/06			Page 1
Reconciliation Summary			
BANK STATEMENT CLEARED TRANSACTIONS:			l
Previous Balance:			14,892.65
Checks and Payments Deposits and Other Credits Service Charge Interest Earned Ending Balance of Bank Statement:	1 0 0	Items Items Items Items	-250.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 14,642.65
YOUR RECORDS UNCLEARED TRANSACTIONS:			
Cleared Balance:			14,642.65
Checks and Payments Deposits and Other Credits	1	Item Items	-250.00 0.00
Register Balance as of 12/31/05: Checks and Payments Deposits and Other Credits	3	Items Item	14,392.65 -5,225.00 225.00
Register Ending Balance:			9,392.65

"Previous Balance" refers to the ending balance of the previous month's bank statement.

"Ending Balance of Bank Statement" refers to the ending balance on the bank statement being reconciled.

Below "Cleared Balance", Checks and Deposits refer to the number of items still outstanding (not yet cleared the bank) – see details on second page.

"Register Balance as of ..." date should be last day of month being reconciled.

"Register Ending Balance" is the register balance in Quicken as of the date the Reconciliation is done – see upper left hand comer.

Instructions on completing the monthly bank reconciliation are on reverse of next page.

# RECONCILIATION SUMMARY REPORT

The account name and date the report was generated appear in upper left comer.

ABC SCHOOL NON PUBLIC			December 2005		Page 2	"Uncleared Cheques" are outstanding items (not yet
2/8/06		Uncleared Transaction Detail up to 12/31/05				cleared the bank). Any item older than 6 months is stale-
Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Category	Cir Amount	dated and should be reversed.
Uncleared Che	ecks and Paymen	ts			,	
4/10/05	101 ROM		Field Trip	Parent Donation Expe	-250.00	
Total Uncleare	ed Checks and Pa	yments		1 Item	-250.00	
Uncleared Dep	posits and Other (	Credits				"Uncleared Deposits" are deposits that have been
Total Uncleare	ed Deposits and C	ther Credits		0 Items	0.00	entered in the Quicken register but do not show up
Total Uncleare	ed Transactions			1 Item	-250.00	in bank statement – these need to be investigated and followed up if necessary.

See reverse for instructions on completing the monthly bank reconciliation.

#### **Quicken Instructions for Bank Reconciliation**

#### Before beginning the reconciliation process:

- Ensure all cheques and deposit transactions have been entered into the register
- Have on hand:
  - Current bank statement to be reconciled
  - Previous month's Reconciliation Summary Report
- Enter into the register any interest or services charges from the current bank statement or any other adjustment item not previously entered (NSF deposits adjustments, etc.)

#### To begin the reconciliation process:

- Make sure you are in the Register screen, select *Reconcile* or the Reconcile icon.
- In the Reconcile Bank Statement screen, the Opening Balance amount shown must match the Previous Balance amount on Page 1 of the previous month's Reconciliation Summary Report. (If it does not match, contact your Regional Business Manager for assistance)
- In the **Ending Balance** field, enter the final balance from the current bank statement (NYCCU clients will need to increase the statement balance by \$100).
- In the Statement Ending Date, enter the ending date on the current bank statement, Select OK

#### To reconcile the bank statement:

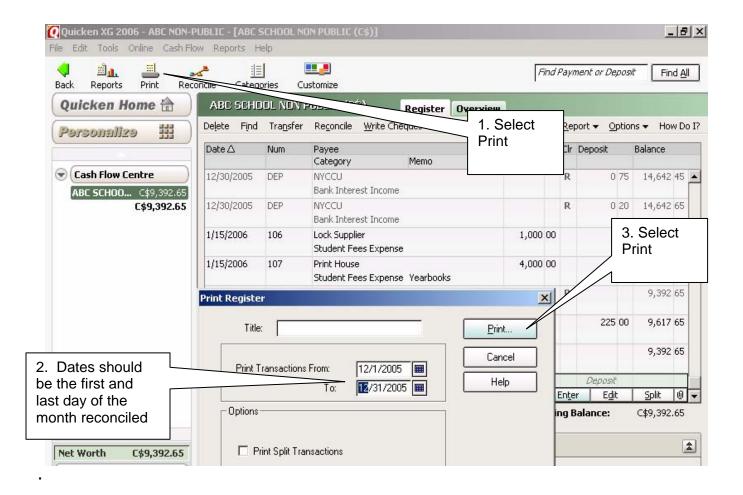
- The next **Reconcile Bank Statement** screen lists all outstanding **Payments and Cheques** on the left side and all outstanding **Deposits** on the right.
- Notice the Opening Balance (Cleared Balance) and the Ending Balance (Statement Ending) amounts
  from the first screen appear on the lower right-hand corner as well as the Difference between these two
  amounts.
- Using the current bank statement, each transaction listed in the bank statement must be checked off on the screen by selecting the item.
  - Notice how the *Difference* amount in the lower right-hand corner increases or decreases as each item is checked off on the screen.
  - If an item appears on the bank statement but does not appear on the screen, highlight the item on the bank statement and continue to check off the rest of the items.
- If the bank statement shows items not included on the screen, select Finish Later to return to the Register.
  - Enter highlighted items from the bank statement into the register (make sure to select **enter** after recording the entry).
  - Select *Reconcile* or the Reconcile icon to return to the *Reconcile Bank Statement* screen.
  - Select OK in the first Reconcile Bank Statement screen to return to the outstanding transaction lists.
  - Check off on the screen those items previously highlighted in the bank statement
- Once all items from the bank statement have been checked off on the screen the Difference amount must be zero.
- Review the unchecked items on the screen: check off any 'void' items, items with zero balances, and any adjustment/reversing items along with their original items.
- The **Difference** amount in the lower right-hand corner must still be zero.
- If the **Difference** is zero, select **Finished**.

#### To generate the Reconciliation Summary Report:

- After selecting Finished, a Reconciliation Complete (Congratulations!) screen will appear, asking if you
  want a reconciliation report.
- Select Yes to generate the Reconciliation Summary Report
- In the next screen, *Reconciliation Report Setup*, in the *Report Title* field, enter the month and year of the statement just reconciled.
- In the *Date* field, enter the last day of the month just reconciled (not the current date)
- Select 'All Transactions' in the Transaction to Include Box, Select Print.

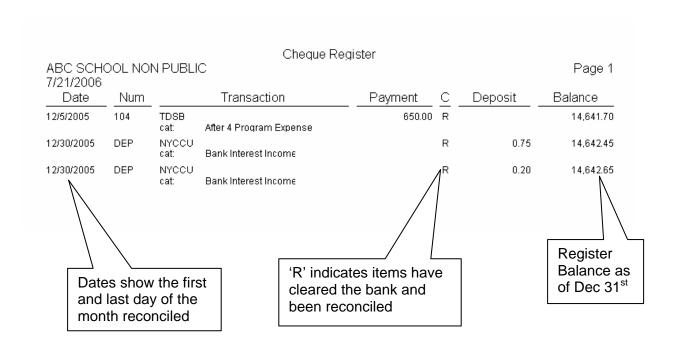
### **Printing Copy of Register**

The register is printed as soon as the bank account is reconciled. It should be attached to the Reconciliation Report along with the bank statement.



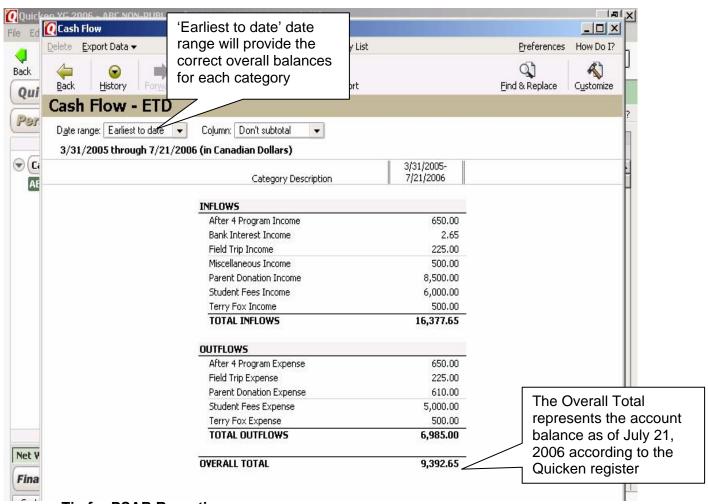
## Quicken Instructions for Printing a copy of the Register

- Making sure you are in the Quicken register, select the *Print* Icon or *File, Print Register*.
- The dates in the *Print Transactions From:* box should be first and last day of the month reconciled.
- Select Print
- Select **OK** in the Print window
- Attach printed copy of register to the Reconciliation Summary Report.



#### **CASH FLOW REPORT**

The Cash Flow Report provides the current balances in the School Council Funds account. This (cumulative) report should be printed and reviewed on a monthly basis.



**Tip for PSAB Reporting:** 

This report can be used for PSAB reporting by changing the dates to reflect the reporting period (August 1<sup>st</sup> to July 31<sup>st</sup>). The Total Inflows is the Gross Income figure and the Total Outflows is the Gross Expense figure required for the PSAB Report at year-end

See reverse for instructions on accessing and customizing this report.

#### **Quicken Instructions for Generating Cash Flow Report**

#### To create a Cash Flow Report in Quicken:

- Select the Reports Icon or select Reports on the top toolbar. Select Reports and Graphs Centre.
- Within the Quicken Standard Reports, Select Banking, Select Cash Flow
- Select 'Earliest to date' in the Change the Date range: drop down list
- Select **Show Report**
- Select **Save Report**
- Enter the name in the **Report Name** field (ABC Cash Flow Report)
- Select OK
- Select 'X' to close the Report

#### To create a Cash Flow Report Required for PSAB purposes:

- Select the Reports Icon or select Reports on the top toolbar. Select Reports and Graphs Centre.
- Within the Quicken Standard Reports, Select Banking, Select Cash Flow
- Select 'Custom Date's in the Change the Date range: drop down list
- The Dates should be From: August 1 to July 31 for PSAB reporting (Note: for 05/06 the dates are Sept 1/05 to July 31/06)
- Select **Show Report**
- Select **Save Report**
- Enter the name in the **Report Name** field (ABC Cash Flow PSAB Report)
- Select **OK**
- Select 'X' to close the Report

# To update (revise dates) an existing Cash Flow Report Required for PSAB or a Cash Flow Report in Quicken:

- Select the Reports Icon or select Reports on the top toolbar, select Reports and Graphs Centre.
- Select My Saved Report
- Select the desired report
- Select the **Date Range** required to new report (Custom/Earliest to Date)
- Enter the new dates in the From and To date fields and select Show Report.
- Select Save Report
- Delete the additional digit at the end of the title or backspace to delete the digit.
- Select OK
- In the next screen, select Replace
- Select 'X' to close the Report

#### To test for accuracy of Cash Flow Report for PSAB

- Determine the opening balance (as of August 1) in the Quicken register
- Add the total Inflows (income) amount as shown in the Cash Flow Report for PSAB
- Subtract the total Outflows (expense) amount as shown in the Cash Flow Report for PSAB
- The resulting amount is the closing register balance and should match your register balance as of the date of Cash Flow Report for PSAB (July 31)

#### To identify errors Cash Flow Report:

• Ensure reporting period dates are pre-set and accurate – August 1 to July 31 of the reporting year (note:

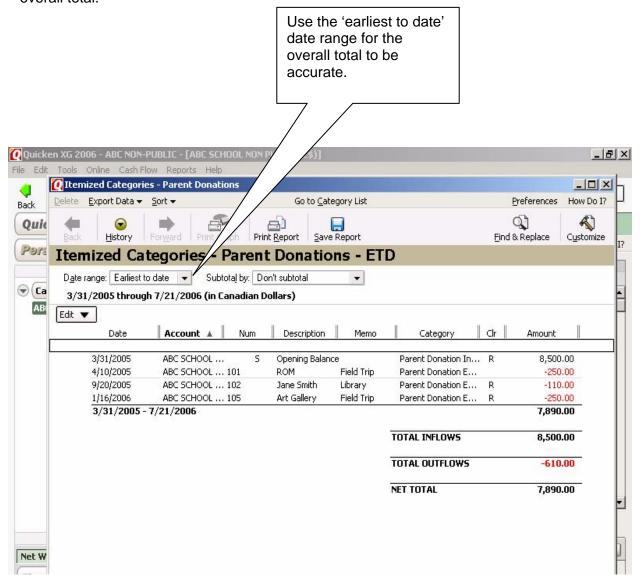
2005/2006 reporting year is Sept 1/05 to July 31/06)

- Ensure amount under 'Uncategorized' is 0.00
- Ensure all amounts listed in Inflows section are positive (black with no minus sign)
- Ensure all amounts listed in Outflows section are also negative (red with minus sign)
- If there is negative amount (red with minus sign) in the Inflows or a positive amount in the Outflows (black with no minus sign)
  - Double click on the amount and review the details for incorrect category selection
  - If a deposits has been posted to an Expense category or a payment to an Income category, double click on that item to locate the item in the register
  - In the register, correct the category as necessary (and select enter)
  - Return to the original detail report and continue reviewing as necessary
- Adjusting entries may result in a negative or positive number and does not necessarily indicate an error.
- An error may not be immediately identifiable by a negative amount in the Cash Flow Report as it may be imbedded within a large positive amount. Therefore, it may also be necessary to review the details of positive numbers.
- For assistance, contact your Regional Business Manager do not wait until year-end.

#### **ITEMIZED CATEGORIES REPORT**

(Customized for a single activity "Parent Donations")

The Itemized Category Report normally lists all categories and can be customized to include and exclude specific categories. This sample has been customized to include only the Parent Donation categories. Both the Parent Donation Income and Parent Donation Expense categories must be included for an accurate overall total.



# Quicken Instructions for Generating Itemized Categories Report (Single Category)

#### To generate the Itemized Categories Report:

- Select the Reports Icon or select Reports on the top toolbar, Report and Graphs Centre,
- Select Banking
- Select Transactions

#### To format the Itemized Categories Report for a single club/activity/category:

- In Date Range: select *Earliest to Date*
- Select **Customize**
- Select the **Categories** Tab
  - Select Clear All to remove all check marks form the categories listed.
  - Place a check mark beside the Income and Expense category for the club/activity/category for which the report is being created.
  - Select **Show Report**
- If the report is to be saved, select Save Report. Enter the Report Title in Report Name field and select OK
- To print the report, select the **Print Report**.

# ITEMIZED CATEGORIES REPORT (All Categories)

For the Category totals to be accurate, the 'From' date must match the date of the opening register balance in the Quicken Register.

The Income type categories are listed together in the top half of the report and the Expense type are listed in the bottom half.

#### Itemized Categories ABC Non Public - ETD

3/31/2005 through 7/24/2006 (in Canadian Dollars)

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Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
INCOME							16,377.65
After 4 Program Income							650.00
9/26/2005	ABC SCHOO DEP		Diane Keene		After 4 Progra	R	650.00
Bank Interest Income							2.65
9/30/2005	ABC SCHOO DEP		NYCCU		Bank Interest	R	1.20
10/30/2005	ABC SCHOO DEP		NYCCU		Bank Interest	R	0.50
12/30/2005	ABC SCHOO DEP		NYCCU		Bank Interest	R	0.75
12/30/2005	ABC SCHOO DEP		NYCCU		Bank Interest	R	0.20
Field Trip Income							225.00
1/30/2006	ABC SCHOO DEP		Room 10		Field Trip Inco		225.00
Miscellaneous Income							500.00
3/31/2005	ABC SCHOO	S	Opening Bala		Miscellaneous	R	500.00
Parent Donation Income							8,500.00
3/31/2005	ABC SCHOO	S	Opening Bala		Parent Donati	R	8,500.00
Student Fees Income							6,000.00
3/31/2005	ABC SCHOO	S	Opening Bala		Student Fees	R	1,000.00
9/9/2005	ABC SCHOO DEP		Students		Student Fees	R	5,000.00
Terry Fox Income							500.00
9/20/2005	ABC SCHOO DEP		Staff		Terry Fox Inc	R	500.00
EXPENSES							-6,985.00
After 4 Program Expense							-650.00
12/5/2005	ABC SCHOO 104		TDSB		After 4 Progra	R	-650.00
Field Trip Expense							-225.00
2/4/2006	ABC SCHOO 108		Science Centre		Field Trip Exp		-225.00
Parent Donation Expense							-610.00
4/10/2005	ABC SCHOO 101		ROM	Field Trip	Parent Donati		-250.00
9/20/2005	ABC SCHOO 102		Jane Smith	Library	Parent Donati	R	-110.00
1/16/2006	ABC SCHOO 105		Art Gallery	Field Trip	Parent Donati	R	-250.00
Student Fees Expense							-5,000.00
1/15/2006	ABC SCHOO 106		Lock Supplier		Student Fees		-1,000.00
1/15/2006	ABC SCHOO 107		Print House	Yearbooks	Student Fees		-4,000.00
Terry Fox Expense							-500.00
10/27/2005	ABC SCHOO 103		Terry Fox Fou		Terry Fox Exp	R	-500.00
				O	VERALL TOTAL		9,392.65

For an individual category Net Total (Overall Total) use the Itemized Category Report Overall Total represents the balance in the Quicken Register as of July 24, 2006

See Reverse for instructions on accessing and customizing this report

# Quicken Instructions for Generating Itemized Categories Report (All Categories)

To generate the Itemized Categories Report:

- Select the *Reports Icon* or select *Reports* on the top toolbar, *Report and Graphs Centre*,
- Select Banking
- Select *Transactions*

To format the Itemized Categories Report for a single club/activity/category:

- In the **Date Range**: select **Earliest to Date**
- Select Customize
- Change Headings Subtotal by: to Category
- Change **Sort by:** to **Category**
- Select the Categories Tab
  - Select *Mark All* to ensure all the categories are listed.
- Select **Show Report**
- If the report is to be saved, select **Save Report**. Enter the Report Title in **Report Name** and select **OK**
- To print the report, select the **Print Report**.

# ADMINISTRATION OF SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDS ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE(S): (where applicable)

#### Receipts:

- Collect and count money (in the presence of another person)
- Secure money in sealed envelope and attach a completed Deposit Voucher
- Deliver funds to treasurer on a timely basis
- Record deposit in Deposit Log and have entry initialed

#### **Disbursements:**

- Request cheque by completing Payment Voucher and attach original receipt or invoice
- Ensure funds collected are spent according to the intent of the funds raised
- Ensure payments do not exceed money collected by club or class
- Receive and review monthly financial statements to ensure transactions are correct

#### **FUND ADMINISTRATOR:**

#### Banking:

- Count and verify funds received in deposit envelopes (investigate if amount is different)
- Secure deposit envelopes in a safe place (locked safe) at the school until bank deposit is made
- Prepare bank deposit slip and attach pertinent Deposit Voucher(s) to school council copy
- Note date of deposit and verify amount in Deposit Log
- Deposit funds on regular basis and prior to any school breaks

#### **Disbursements:**

- Review supporting documents attached to signed Payment Voucher
- Issue cheque, indicate cheque number on Payment Voucher, and initial
- Attach Payment Voucher and support documents to cheque ready for signature

#### Recordkeeping:

- Record all payment, deposit, and adjusting entries in Quicken register on timely basis
- Enter transactions using original source documents (e.g. payment voucher, deposit slip)
- Complete monthly bank reconciliation; attach bank statement and register report
- Review reconciliation report and investigate or follow-up any uncleared deposits
- Maintain appropriate support and financial documentation (current files + 7 years)
- Print Quicken "Cash Flow" report monthly, review for accuracy and provide to School Council Chair
- Print Quicken "Itemized Category" report for specific clubs as needed
- Report any problems to School Council Chair

#### **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (Continued)**

#### **CHAIR:**

#### Policy & Procedure:

- Manage the School Council Funds
- Ensure that all stakeholders are aware of and follow policies and procedures
- Ensure that processes are in place to adequately control the funds within the school
- Communicate responsibilities to Fund Administrator re financial controls
- Maintain list of fundraising events noting responsible member and signing authorities
- Ensure that members are not paying expenses with cash collected
- Ensure that members are not collecting and managing funds in their own bank account
- Act as signing officer on bank account
- Be one of two signatories on cheques issued
- Ensure security over cash and records (current + 7 years)
- Notify the following individuals immediately if the funds are lost or stolen:
  - Principal

#### Reports:

- Review, initial and date monthly bank reconciliation report
- Ensure uncleared cheques and uncleared deposits in bank reconciliation are followed up with and reviewed
- Review on monthly basis Quicken "Cash Flow" report showing total income and expense and cumulative balances for all clubs
- Review and sign annual financial reports
- Distribute annual financial statements according to procedures

#### PRINCIPAL:

- Reinforce to School Council members the need to comply with policies and procedures
- Follow up on Internal Audit reports
- Provide support to the School Council
- Receive School Council annual financial reports
- Oversee School Council Funds Procedures
- Ensure that members have suitable technology for administering School Council Funds
- Liaise with School Council Chair on all investments and keep copy of certificates on file.