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- oversee and monitor the administration and asset management of the pension plan,
- ensure that the committee receives timely and relevant pension and investment expertise,
- provide appropriate and well researched recommendations to the Frontier School Board, and
- report to employees and retirees on all matters related to the pension fund.

The following are the highlights of the Employee Pension Committee's (EPC) October 30, 2023 meeting. This newsletter is sent to all support staff employees and retirees to provide information with regards to their pension plan.

# Meeting Highlights

## **Investment Performance Update**

Ellement provided an overview of the Investment Performance ending September 30, 2023. The Plan returned -2.1% in Quarter 3, underperforming its benchmark by 0.8%. The Plan returned 7.6% over the 1-year trailing period, underperforming its benchmark by 1.9%.

## **Investment Manager Report**

Toronto Dominion Asset Management reported on the Global Low Volatility Equity Fund to September 30, 2023.

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Monday, January 29, 2024.

# **Employee Pension Committee**

October, 2023

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## Your Pension and Leave of Absence

Should you be required to take a leave of absence, your employment will not be considered terminated for the purpose of this plan.

## Maternity/Paternal Leave

- On the commencement of a maternity/parental leave all employees are sent a memorandum of agreement which provides the option of continuing to make pension contributions.
- During the maternity leave portion, if you elect the top-up plan, regular contributions will continue and you will be credited service during that time.
- If you do not elect the top-up plan, you are still able to continue to make your regular contributions to the pension plan and be credited service.
- You have the option of electing not to contribute to the pension plan while on any unpaid portion of your maternity/parental leave. By doing so you will not be credited any service for that period of time. Your regular pension contributions will resume once you return to work.

## Sick/Medical Leave

- If you are on a paid sick/medical leave (using your sick leave accrual), regular contributions will continue and you will be credited service during that time.
- If you have exhausted your sick leave and are on an unpaid sick/medical leave, a memorandum of agreement is sent providing you the option of continuing to make regular contributions to the pension plan while on leave and be credited service.
- You have the option of electing to not contribute to the pension plan while on unpaid sick/medical leave. By doing so you will not be credited any service for that period of time. Your regular pension contributions will resume once you return to work.

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