

Draft Minutes of the Grants and Programs Committee Meeting held June 18, 2026

Date: June 26, 2026
To: Board of Directors of the Toronto Atmospheric Fund
From: Senior Grants Manager

SUMMARY

Committee meeting minutes for the Grants and Programs Committee meeting held on June 18, 2026, are presented for information purposes. These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next Committee meeting. Any amendments will be reported back to the Board once the minutes are finalized.

MEETING DETAILS

Meeting Date:	June 18, 2026	Contact:	Sadia Khan, Senior Grants Manager
Start time:	10:00 am	Email:	skhan@taf.ca
Location:	Video Conference/ TAF Office, Union Station	Chair:	Dan Zilnik

MEETING MINUTES

1. Internal Program Allocation: Mid-year Progress Update

Decision Type: Information

Status: Received

Committee Decision:

The Committee received the report for information.

Origin:

(June 4, 2026) Report from the VP, Strategy and Partnerships, Toronto Atmospheric Fund

Summary:

This report provided a mid-year program update on the 2026 Internal Program Allocation for Committee discussion.

Background Information:

(June 4, 2026) Report from the VP, Strategy and Partnerships on 2026 Internal Program Allocation: Mid-year Progress Update
Attachment 1 – 2026 Internal Program Allocation: Mid-year progress update

Staff Actions:

NIL.

Motions:

Motion to receive item moved by Kirk Johnson (Carried)

That the item be received for information.

2. Grant Applications for Funding Recommendation

Decision Type: Action

Status: Adopted

Confidential attachment – Contains financial information supplied in confidence to the Toronto Atmospheric Fund which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization.

Committee Decision:

The Committee:

1. Adopted the Confidential Instructions to Staff in Confidential Attachment 1, and directed staff to advance the Committee's funding recommendations to the Board for Approval.
2. Received attachments 2 and 3 for information.
3. Directed that the confidential information contained in Confidential Attachments 1, 2 and 3 remain confidential in their entirety as they contain financial information, supplied in confidence to the Toronto Atmospheric Fund which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization.

Origin:

(June 4, 2026) Report from the Senior Grants Manager Toronto Atmospheric Fund

Decision Advice and Other Information:

The Grants and Program Committee recessed its public meeting to meet in closed session to consider the item as it pertains to financial information, supplied in confidence to the Toronto Atmospheric Fund which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization.

Summary:

This report presented seven grant applications for the Committee's review and recommendation to the Board of Directors. Supporting materials, including a summary dashboard, budget overview, and full application details were provided in the attached confidential materials to inform Committee deliberation and recommendations to the Board of Directors.

Background Information:

(June 4, 2026) Report from the Senior Grants Manager on Grant Applications for Funding Recommendation

Confidential Attachment 1 – Dashboard and Committee Deliberation

Confidential Attachment 2 – Grants Budget (2026)

Confidential Attachment 3 – Grant Summaries, Applications, Staff Evaluations

Staff Actions:

Advance the Committee's funding recommendations to the Board for Approval.

Motions:

*Motion to meet in Closed Session moved by Dan Zilnik (**Carried**)*

At 10:18 am - That the Grants and Programs Committee of the Toronto Atmospheric Fund recess its public session to meet in closed session to consider item 2 as it contains financial information, supplied in confidence to the Toronto Atmospheric Fund which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization.

*Motion to adopt item moved by Elizabeth McCallion (**Carried**)*

Declared Interests:

The following member declared an interest:

Rosemarie Powell – as Rosemarie's organization submitted an application for funding to be considered during this meeting.

3. Summary of Recently Completed Grants

Decision Type: Information

Status: Received

Committee Decision:

The Committee received the report for information.

Origin:

(June 4, 2026) Report from the Senior Grants Manager, Toronto Atmospheric Fund

Summary:

This report provided a summary of TAF-funded grants completed since the previous meeting, including key outcomes, learnings, and overall impact.

Background Information:

(June 4, 2026) Report from the Senior Grants Manager on Summary of Recently Completed Grants

Staff Actions:

NIL.

Motions:

Motion to adopt item moved by Elizabeth McCallion (Carried)

That the Committee receive the report for information.

Procedural Motions

Motion to Adopt Minutes moved by Dan Zilnik (Carried)

That the minutes of the Grants and Programs Committee meeting held on March 26, 2026 be confirmed.

Announcements

The Chair acknowledged that the Committee was meeting on the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinaabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. The Chair also acknowledged that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.

The Chair welcomed staff participants.

Also present – Non-members

Adam Rosenfield, Director, Clean Transportation, TAF

Crystal Crawford, Operations Lead, TAF

Ekaterina Tzekova, Director, Research and Innovation, TAF

Evan Wiseman, Senior Manager, Climate Policy, TAF

Fatima Crerar, VP, Strategy and Partnerships, TAF

Julia Langer, CEO, TAF

Laura McCloskey, Climate Policy Analyst, TAF

Patrick Ronan, Manager, Research and Innovation, TAF

Sadia Khan, Senior Grants Manager, TAF

Meeting Sessions

Session Date	Session Type	Start Time	End Time	Public or Closed Session
2026-06-18	morning	10:00	10:18	Public
2026-06-18	morning	10:18	12:25	Closed
2026-06-18	morning	12:25	12:30	Public

Attendance

Members were present for some or all of the time period indicated.

Date and Time	Quorum	Members
2026-06-18 10:00 AM – 10:18 AM (Public Session)	Present	<i>Present:</i> Kirk Johnson, Mike Layton, Elizabeth McCallion, Rosemarie Powell, Dan Zilnik (Chair) <i>Not Present:</i> Ali Hoss, Lindsay Wiginton
2026-06-18 10:18 AM – 12:25 PM (Closed Session)	Present	<i>Present:</i> Kirk Johnson, Mike Layton, Elizabeth McCallion, Rosemarie Powell, Dan Zilnik (Chair) <i>Not Present:</i> Ali Hoss, Lindsay Wiginton
2026-06-18 12:25 PM – 12:30 PM (Public Session)	Present	<i>Present:</i> Kirk Johnson, Mike Layton, Elizabeth McCallion, Dan Zilnik (Chair) <i>Not Present:</i> Ali Hoss, Rosemarie Powell, Lindsay Wiginton