

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL BEING, CATHOLIC EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

PUBLIC SESSION

| HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020 |
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| **PRESENT**:  **Trustees:**  G. Tanuan, Chair, In Person  T. Lubinski, Vice-Chair  N. Crawford  F. D’Amico  M. de Domenico  M. Del Grande  D. Di Giorgio  N. Di Pasquale  A. Kennedy  I. Li Preti  J. Martino  M. Rizzo  **Student Trustees:** T. Dallin  K. Nguyen    **Staff:** R. McGuckin  D. Koenig  L. Noronha  A. Della Mora  P. Aguiar  S. Camacho  P. De Cock  M. Eldridge  C. Fernandes  S. Vlahos  S. Harris, Recording Secretary  S. Pellegrini, Assistant Recording Secretary |  |
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# **External Guest:** A. Robertson, Parliamentarian

**5. Approval of the Agenda**

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Lubinski, that the Agenda, as amended to include the Addendum and Items 16b) Verbal Update from the Director regarding COVID-19 and its Impact on the Board; 17c); 17d) and 17e) letters from Father Joseph Morawski, Pastor of Christ the King Church; Mr. and Mrs. Bembenek; and Dr. Anna Lukowski respectively regarding Polish Heritage Day and Polish Heritage Month in the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB); 18a)Inquiry from Trustee Kennedy, regarding Questions from the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC); 18b) Inquiry from Trustee Rizzo regarding Pending Communication from the Chair and Director to Parent Councils; and 18c) Inquiry from Trustee Del Grande regarding Parents’ and Students’ Limited/No Access to Technology and the Protocol and Method for Teachers to Contact Students, be approved.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Li Preti

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

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Student Trustees Dallin and Nguyen wished to be recorded in favour of the Motion.

# **6. Report from Private Session**

# MOVED by Trustee Lubinski, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale, that in PRIVATE Session the Ratification of Central Collective Agreement for Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA), Toronto Secondary Unit (TSU) and Toronto Elementary Catholic Teachers (TECT) was approved.

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Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Giorgio

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Rizzo abstained from voting due to a Declaration of Interest in the Item.

**7. Declarations of Interest**

In PRIVATE Session, Trustees Del Grande, Kennedy and Rizzo declared an interest.

There were none.

# **8. Approval and Signing of the Minutes of the Meeting**

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Lubinski, that the Minutes of the Meeting held March 5, 2020 for PUBLIC Session be approved.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Di Giorgio

Del Grande

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

# **9. Delegations**

# MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that Item 9a) be adopted as follows:

# **9a) John Del Grande, Chair, Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) and Annalisa Crudo-Perri, Executive Director, Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) regarding Board Governance and Parent Involvement during School Shutdown** (written submission read by Director McGuckin)received.

# MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Rizzo, that the submission be referred to staff for a report on how TCDSB Staff can enable Catholic School Parents Councils (CSPCs) to continue holding regular meetings during school closure that include parents and the school principal.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Di Giorgio

Del Grande

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken on the Motion, as amended, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Di Giorgio

Del Grande

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion, as amended, was declared

CARRIED

# **12. Consideration of Motion for which Previous Notice Has Been**

MOVED by Trustee Lubinski, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that Item 12a) be adopted as follows:

**12a) From Trustee Lubinski regarding Declaring May 3 as Polish Heritage Day and May as Polish Heritage Month at the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB)**:

WHEREAS: May 3 is officially known as Constitution Day in Poland and annually celebrated as Poland’s most important Civic Holiday;

WHEREAS: May 18, 2020 marks 100 years since the birth of St. John Paul II who was a vocal advocate for human rights. St. John Paul II often spoke out about suffering in the world and worked diligently for the good of the

Catholic Youth and for the good of the World;

WHEREAS: The Polish Canadian community has contributed significantly to the growth and development of our country;

WHEREAS: There is a high number of students with Polish background in the TCDSB that have made significant contributions to our schools (through sharing their rich heritage and culture and language) and who form a part of the strong foundation of this Board; and

WHEREAS: There are over 1.1 million Canadians who claim full or partial Polish ancestry, of whom over 145,000 reside in the City of Toronto, with many attending our Catholic schools.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The TCDSB hereby proclaim May 3 as Polish Heritage Day and May as Polish Heritage Month at the TCDSB this year and every year thereafter in recognition of the substantial historic contributions made by the Polish community to the academic, social, cultural, and economic fabric of our Board.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Di Giorgio

Del Grande

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Martino, that Item12b) be adopted as follows:

**12b) From Trustee Rizzo regarding Board and Committee Meetings**:

WHEREAS: Schools are closed and will remain closed into the foreseeable future;

WHEREAS: TCDSB Board and Committee meetings have been scheduled;

WHEREAS: Other Boards have cancelled or rescheduled Committee/Board meetings during this pandemic;

WHEREAS: TCDSB By-laws allow for the Director and Chair to call Board meetings, if necessary;

WHEREAS: This is a challenging time in every sector including Education and nothing is business as usual;

WHEREAS: As a community, TCDSB continues to pursue social/physical distancing and encourages work from home when possible to avoid the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS: To further limit the risk of transmission and exposure although the Province of Ontario has amended the Education Act to allow for virtual meetings but this still puts many employees and some Board members at risk.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The TCDSB cancel all regularly scheduled Committee meetings;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: TCDSB continue holding regular Board meetings to deal with urgent matters only;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Leave be granted to introduce this motion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Debate on this motion be held at the next Student Achievement and Well Being, Catholic Education and Human Resources Committee Meeting on April 2, 2020.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee D’Amico, seconded by Trustee de Domenico, that:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The meeting changes take place until June 1, 2020.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees D’Amico Crawford

de Domenico Del Grande

Di Giorgio Kennedy

Di Pasquale Li Preti

Martino Lubinski

Rizzo Tanuan

The AMENDMENT was declared

LOST ON A TIE

Time for business expired.

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Lubinski, that time be extended by 15 minutes, as per Article 12.6, to complete the debate on the Item.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford Del Grande

D’Amico

de Domenico

Di Giorgio

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Li Preti, seconded by Trustee Di Giorgio, that Board meetings take place twice per month for urgent items.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford Lubinski

D’Amico Martino

de Domenico

Di Giorgio

Del Grande

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Rizzo

Tanuan

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken on the Motion, as amended, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford Lubinski

D’Amico

de Domenico

Di Giorgio

Del Grande

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion, as amended, was declared

CARRIED

**13. Consent and Review**

The Chair reviewed the Order Paper and the following Items were held:

16a) Update to Recommendations Made in International Student -

Teacher Survey Report – Trustee Di Giorgio;

16b) Verbal Update from the Director regarding COVID-19 and its Impact on the Board – Trustee Kennedy;

18a) Inquiry from Trustee Kennedy regarding Questions from the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) – Trustee Kennedy;

18b) Inquiry from Trustee Rizzo regarding Pending Communication from the Chair and Director to Parent Councils – Trustee Rizzo; and

18c) Inquiry from Trustee Del Grande regarding Parents’ and Students’ Limited/No Access to Technology and the Protocol and Method for Teachers to Contact Students – Trustee Del Grande

MOVED by Trustee Lubinski, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale, that all Items not held be received.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Giorgio

Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

**ITEMS NOT HELD AS CAPTURED IN THE ABOVE MOTION**

17a) Letter from Przemyslaw Pawluk, Chair of Parents Council, Polish

School at Consulate General of Poland, regarding Declaring May 3 as Polish Heritage Day and May as Polish Heritage Month in the TCDSB;

17b) Letter from John J. Tomczak, President, Canadian Polish Congress, regarding Recognizing Polish Heritage Day and May as Polish Heritage Month;

17c) Letter from Father Joseph Morawski Pastor of Christ the King Church, regarding Polish Heritage Day and Polish Heritage Month;

17d) Letter from Mr. and Mrs. Bembenek regarding May 3 as Polish Heritage Day and May as Polish Heritage Month in the TCDSB;

17e) Letter from Dr. Anna Lukowski regarding May 3 as Polish Heritage Day and May as Polish Heritage Month in the TCDSB;

19a) Annual Calendar of Reports and Policy Metrics; and

19b) Monthly Pending List

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Giorgio

Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

**16. Staff Reports**

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Trustee Rizzo, that Item 16a) be adopted as follows:

**16a) Update to Recommendations Made in International Student -**

**Teacher Survey Report** received.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Di Giorgio

Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Del Grande did not vote/respond.

MOVED by Trustee Lubinski, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that Item 16b) be adopted as follows:

**16b) Verbal Update from the Director regarding COVID-19 and its Impact on the Board** that the TCDSB move to institute an advanced online learning program to achieve synchronous learning such as live interactive streaming sessions, and to accelerate online teaching capabilities for our staff, for example the more advanced online teachers could mentor their colleagues at the respective schools.

Time for business expired.

The Chair declared a 15-minute extension, as per Article 12.6, that was unanimously approved as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Giorgio

Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

Time for business expired.

The Chair declared a further15-minute extension, as per Article 12.6, that was unanimously approved as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Giorgio

Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Lubinski, that staff bring an Information report to Board on how the advanced online learning program is being operationalized.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Lubinski Crawford

Rizzo D’Amico

Tanuan de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Giorgio

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Martino

The AMENDMENT was declared

LOST

Results of the Vote taken on the Main Motion, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Lubinski Crawford

Tanuan D’Amico

de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Giorgio

Di Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Rizzo

The Main Motion was declared

LOST

# **18. Inquiries and Miscellaneous**

# **18a) From Trustee Kennedy regarding Questions from the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)** noted.

# **18b) From Trustee Rizzo regarding Pending Communication from the Chair and Director to Parent Councils** noted.

# **18c) From Trustee Del Grande regarding Parents’ and Students’ Limited/No Access to Technology and Protocol and Method for Teachers to Contact Students** with the consent of the Committee, Trustee Del Grande withdrew his Inquiry as it was addressed in Item 16b).

# **20. Resolve into FULL Board to Rise and Report**

MOVED by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Lubinski, that the meeting resolve into FULL Board to Rise and Report.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford

D’Amico

de Domenico

Del Grande

Di Giorgio

Pasquale

Kennedy

Li Preti

Lubinski

Martino

Rizzo

Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Lubinski, that the meeting resolve into TRIPLE PRIVATE Session.

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Martino, that the meeting be adjourned.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees D’Amico Crawford

de Domenico Del Grande

Di Pasquale Di Giorgio

Li Preti Kennedy

Martino Lubinski

Rizzo Tanuan

The Motion was declared

LOST ON A TIE

Results of the Vote taken regarding Resolving into TRIPLE PRIVATE Session, as follows:

**In Favour Opposed**

Trustees Crawford D’Amico

Del Grande de Domenico

Di Giorgio Di Pasquale

Kennedy Li Preti

Lubinski Martino

Tanuan Rizzo

The Motion was declared

LOST ON A TIE

The meeting ended.

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