

OUR MISSION

The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.
We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.

OUR VISION

At Toronto Catholic we transform the world
through witness, faith, innovation and action.



AGENDA ADDENDUM SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PUBLIC SESSION

Joseph Martino, Chair

Angela Kennedy, Vice-Chair

Thursday, June 18, 2020

7:00 P.M.

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To: Special Board Meeting , June 18, 2020

From: Markus de Domenico, Trustee Ward 2

Subject: Notice of Motion – Position of the TCDSB regarding Cannabis dispensary locations near schools, parks and community centres.

MOVED BY: Markus de Domenico, Toronto Catholic District School Board

WHEREAS: The Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) is the regulator and approval authority for Cannabis retailers;

WHEREAS: Cannabis shops in Toronto are located in close proximity to schools, public parks and community centres;

WHEREAS: Many ratepayers have voiced their displeasure over these locations being close to schools and playgrounds;

WHEREAS: During the COVID 19 lockdown, the opportunity for public consultation and even public awareness was greatly reduced or in many cases non-existent;

WHEREAS: Medical studies have shown, that Cannabis use in teens and young adults under the age of 25, has a significant negative medical impact on users of Cannabis;

WHEREAS: The proximity and size of schools is not taken into account when the AGCO grants a license to open a retail location.

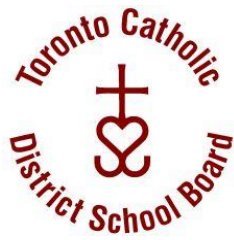
BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The TCDSB send a letter to the AGCO, The Minister of Health and Public Health Ontario stating our opposition to opening Cannabis retail locations within 1 km of a school or park;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: That the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) send a letter to Premier Ford requesting a thorough review of the policies of the AGCO with a view to restrict licenses near schools and parks;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Principals in the TCDSB be made aware of Cannabis retail outlets in their area;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Licenses for new Cannabis locations be put on hold until proper public consultation occurs.

Markus de Domenico
Trustee, Ward 2



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- Public Session
- Private Session
- Three (3) Minutes

Name	Stephanie Brembridge	
Committee	Regular / Special Board	
Date of Presentation	6/18/2020	
Topic of Presentation	Anti-Black Racism	
Topic or Issue	Mistreatment and suspensions on black students	
Details	I would like to see more support for students of colour, they have been mistreated and are failing in the school system, which in turn is affecting their future. We need to take the time to understand them and do our own research on ways to support them.	
Action Requested	Staff should be educated on racism against black students and communities. Practical training and tools should be provided on how to combat systemic racism. Training should be provided by a Black Diversity Organization specializing in fighting Anti-Black racism. Concrete efforts should be made to develop and role out a Black History Curriculum starting from a period pre dating the trans-Atlantic slave trade. The curriculum should include the contributions of black men and women to the development of Canadian and American societies.	
I am here as a delegate to speak only on my own behalf	Yes	
I am an official representative of the Catholic School Parent Committee(CSPC)	No St Jude	
I am an official representative of student government	No St Jude	
I am here as a spokesperson for another group or organization	No	

I have read, understand and agree to comply with the rules for Delegations as per the TCDSB Delegations Policy T14

Yes

Submittal Date

6/17/2020



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Name	Andrea Vásquez Jiménez
Committee	Regular / Special Board
Date of Presentation	6/18/2020
Topic of Presentation	Anti-Black and Anti-Indigenous Racism in Schools
Topic or Issue	Anti-Black and Anti-Indigenous Racism manifested as the School Engagement Team at the Toronto Catholic District School Board
Details	School Engagement Team at the TCDSB entrenches the school to prison pipeline.
Action Requested	Removal of the School Engagement Team and the deprioritization of the use of police officers in all educational settings as an instrument of last resort. As well as a paradigm shift away from policies anchored in punitive disciplinary practices, policing and criminalization of students to one that is based in restorative/transformational justice practices, the long centred engagement and that is relationship centred.
I am here as a delegate to speak only on my own behalf	
I am an official representative of the Catholic School Parent Committee(CSPC)	
I am an official representative of student government	
I am here as a spokesperson for another group or organization	Yes LAEN - Latinx, Afro-Latin-America, Abya Yala Education Network

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Name	Philip Johnson
Committee	Regular / Special Board
Date of Presentation	6/18/2020
Topic of Presentation	Addressing Anti-Black Racism
Topic or Issue	Presenting the PLUG Project, a federal government funded initiative to address Anti-Black Racism in our schools.
Details	The project is intended to address systemic Anti-Black racism in the school system, by offering workshops to students, parents, teachers, administrators and community, as a preventative measure. The project also seeks to advocate for students who have been or are facing suspensions or expulsions from school, by ensuring that their rights under the act are protected.
Action Requested	Presentation of the project and requesting the participation of the TCDSB.

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I am an official representative of student government No

I am here as a spokesperson for another group or organization Yes
 TAIBU Community Health Centre

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Name	Silvia Argentina Arauz
Committee	Regular / Special Board
Date of Presentation	6/18/2020
Topic of Presentation	Support of Motion put forward by TCDSB Student Trustee Dallin
Topic or Issue	*IMMEDIATE ACTION to be taken by TCDSB to eradicate racism and other forms of discrimination against Black, Indigenous, Latinx and other racialized and marginalized TCDSB students.
Details	The TCDSB has been called out by all levels of stakeholders to address the lack of culturally responsive and reflective spaces and resources at their board. You still have police in schools IN SPITE of the data telling you that thousands of TCDSB are at risk of racial profiling, intimidation and even assault. You still don't have race-based data; you have failed to provide all that is called for in Dallin's Motion
Action Requested	*Amendment to Motion put forward from Student Trustee Dallin- whereas the TCDSB no longer has a program named SRO, I am calling for the removal of cops from schools supported by the TCDSB through the School Engagement Team (SET) and other programs like it. **Calling for unanimous vote in favour of Dallin's Motion ***The renaming of the Spanish Speaking Advisory to one that is culturally responsive and reflective of the Black and Indigenous identities of students with ancestral ties to Latin-America ****Calling for the immediate operationalizing of the recommendations put forward for many years from the African Canadian Coalition of Community Organizations at the TCDSB

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I am an official representative of student government	No
I am here as a spokesperson for another group or organization	Yes MA'AT Legal Services' School Support Services Department & LAEN
I have read, understand and agree to comply with the rules for Delegations as per the TCDSB Delegations Policy T14	Yes
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To: Special Board Meeting , June 18, 2020

From: Markus de Domenico, Trustee Ward 2

Subject: REVISED Consideration of Motion: iPads and Chrome Books distributed for Distance Learning remain with students until June 2021

MOVED BY: Markus de Domenico, Toronto Catholic District School Board

WHEREAS: Due to COVID 19, the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) conducted a Technology Survey to identify students and families that needed assistance to learn online and what devices they had or needed. Based on the results of the survey, the Board acquired and distributed encrypted 6,000 Google Chrome Books and 4,000 iPads to facilitate distance learning to students that did not have devices;

WHEREAS: The need for these devices is an ongoing need and the devices play a key part in providing equitable access to education to TCDSB student;

WHEREAS: The devices have proven to be highly effective and are a cost efficient method for the Board to facilitate access to online learning;

WHEREAS: The need for these devices will not end in September and that the economic status of families may not improve in the next few months or even years;

WHEREAS: The TCDSB has an obligation through its equity initiatives to give all students in need an equal opportunity to succeed; and

WHEREAS: The Chrome Books were purchased and the iPads leased by the Board without funding from the Ministry of Education.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the TCDSB allow the students who have currently been provided with a Google Chrome Book or iPads to keep these devices until June 2021 or leave the TCDSB;

BE IT RESOLVED: That the TCDSB send a letter to Minister Lecce requesting an ongoing commitment to funding of the expense of devices as the Ministry required the TCDSB to implement an online learning platform;

BE IT RESOLVED: That the TCDSB work with Rogers Communications to make families aware of the Rogers “Connect for Success” Program or a similar program by another internet provider that provides inexpensive internet access to families in need;

BE IT RESOLVED: That the TCDSB establish a help line specifically for technical support of these devices; and

BE IT RESOLVED: That the TCDSB acquire an internet safety training program for students.

Markus de Domenico
Trustee, Ward 2