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ADDENDUM REGULAR MEETING OF THE MEETING OF THE TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PUBLIC SESSION

Angela Kennedy, Chair

Frank D'Amico, Vice-Chair

Thursday, January 26, 2017 7:00 P.M.

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December Student Trustee Report:

Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA-AECO)

From November 16th to 20th, Student Trustees Karina Dubrovskaya and Rhea Carlisle attended the Fall General Meeting of the Ontario Student Trustees' Association. The conference was filled with professional development and training that provided the Student Trustees with tools for success to take back to the TCDSB students. The keynote speakers were City Councillor, Norm Kelly and Provincial Advocate for Children and Youth, Irwin Elman spoke about the importance of youth engagement in education and politics, as well as the need for students to advocate for issues affecting them. Founder of Ally Western, David Dibrina hosted a workshop on Equity. The workshop provided the Student Trustees with resources and workshops to bring back to the schools within their boards on the necessity of Inclusion and Belonging. The conference was a unique opportunity to network with other Student Trustees across the province and unite student voice.

The Student Trustees participated in the Catholic Board breakout where the council planned initiatives to promote catholic education and the province wide mass. They planned the Campaign of Love and Student Youth Day. They also created prayers that will be said by all schools throughout the province during Catholic Education Week that will unite all students together in their faith. As well as planned their bi-monthly newsletters that will highlight the different initiatives students are doing in various boards that promote the Catholic Values and Catholic Graduate Expectations.

Subcommittee Updates:

E-CSLIT:

On December 1st, E-CSLIT held its December General Assembly. The guest speaker was spoken word artist, Jenna Yuk spoke about stepping out of your comfort zone and building your character by empowering your voice. Once again, E-CSLIT served as a leadership training for the elementary students.

Social Affairs:

On November 25th, the Social Affairs Committee held a successful board-wide talent show called "Friday Night Live" for all secondary students in the TCDSB. The purpose of the talent show was to create a sense of community amongst the students and to raise funds for the Angel Foundation for Learning. The talent show was an outstandingly inclusive night that brought the students together through the arts and many gifts that each individual student offers. The talent show raised \$210 of the proceeds raised were donated directly to the Angel Foundation for Learning.

CSLIT General Assembly:

On November 29th, CSLIT held yet another successful General Assembly with a diverse group of almost 90 secondary students from across the board in attendance. This meeting was filled with activities to help build a sense of community and leadership among the students. At the previous GA, students were asked to collect supplies for a school in Nigeria. The students from CSLIT went above and beyond, with Neil McNeil raising \$1000 for the school in Nigeria. George Danfulani, a principal from St. Ursula collected the donations and spoke to the students about the importance of giving to show our true catholic values. A representative from Trek for Teens, Nicole Bazzochi, also came to speak to the students about ways to get involved to combat youth homelessness. At the end of the November General Assembly, students were encouraged to come out and attend the next GA which will be held on December 20th.

Stop the Stigma:

On Thursday, December 1st, Student Trustee Rhea Carlisle attended the Stop the Stigma Symposium, a conference held for TCDSB students to support mental health and well-being initiatives. This conference was a way for the Stop the Stigma team to provide various resources to the many secondary schools in the board and introduce healthy ways to deal with the various stresses that secondary students face daily. Student representatives from each of our secondary schools came together to create a safe and an open discussion about mental health and well-being, which is one of CSLIT's areas of focus for this year.

President's Council:

On Tuesday, December 6th, CSLIT held President's Council, an annual conference designed to help strengthen Student Councils across the board. The goal of the conference was to inspire students to promote student voice, advocate for issues they are passionate about and provide councils with the resources needed to run their initiatives. This conference provided students with the opportunity to network with Student Councils from the 32 high schools across our Board and allowed them to connect deeply with contextual aspects of TCDSB's longstanding history in student governance. The students honed their professionalism and engaged in interactive workshops such as: conflict resolution in student councils, de-stress mechanisms and inclusion and belonging. These workshops addressed the common challenges faced as students. CSLIT also released Student Council email addresses with the Board which will allow for easier communication between Student Councils and the CSLIT student leaders. The follow up conference will be held in April.



January Student Trustee Report:

Subcommittee Updates:

Angel Foundation for Learning Subcommittee:

During the month of January, the AFL subcommittee held a meeting on January 19th to refresh the committee on the plans for the year of 2017. The AFL subcommittee is planning to order apparel including sweaters as a way of fundraising money for the Angel Foundation and promoting the organization. The plan is to attain the orders by the end of February and have the sweaters in by March. The subcommittee is also working with the Social Affairs subcommittee to organize a "Movie Night" sometime in March, to raise money for the dance that they plan to host in April. The team has decided to go for a "glow in the dark" themed dance.

Equity:

The Equity subcommittee held a meeting on Friday, January 20th where they discussed the different areas of interest to focus on at the 'Inclusion and Belonging Retreat' which will be held on March 3rd. The day will be filled with former TCDSB alumni, keynote speakers, workshops and support led by TCDSB student leaders. The Equity subcommittee is currently educating themselves on topics for the retreat, so they may lead workshops and debriefs in between activities and games with full knowledge of the issues they will be discussing. Many kahoots (quiz based phone games) will be held throughout the day, led by Equity subcommittee members. Food will be provided for students attending the retreat.

Social Justice:

The Social Justice subcommittee ran an initiative before the Christmas break where they collected toy donations for underprivileged children to show true Catholic values in the spirit of giving during that time. This initiative was extremely successful as the subcommittee collected over 40 toys and delivered them to the local fire station the next day. The subcommittee members have also been hard at work organizing a First Nations (Frontier's Foundation) Money/Donation Drive. This initiative will be scheduled for February/March.

E-CSLIT:

The Elementary Catholic Student Leadership Impact Team held an online meeting on January 19th where they provided young student leaders with the skills they need to enhance and develop their leadership tool box with fun games, informative online quizzes, and guest speakers.

Social Affairs:

For the New Year, the Social Affairs subcommittee will be running a few more events. Social Affairs in conjunction with Angel Foundation will be planning their first CSLIT movie night (see above in report). This event will be held in the beginning of March. The location to be determined in upcoming weeks. Students will be able to enjoy a movie and snacks to raise money for AFL and Social Affairs. The money raised for Social Affairs will go towards their annual CSLIT Gala. This year's Gala will be held near the ending of May. The theme of the event is "In the Woods." The theme will be modern day Disney themed connected to a more earthy and rustic look. Following these two events, the Social Affairs team will be working towards planning the end of the year BBQ and a Miracle dance marathon.

Faith:

In the month of January, the Faith subcommittee hosted a meeting to discuss plans for the upcoming year. They have booked an outing to St Francis' table for the end of June as an end of the year excursion for CSLIT, meanwhile they are contacting the GoodSheppherd and other local organizations in hopes of volunteering with a small group from our CSLIT Assembly.

For the month of February, the next time a General Assembly will be happening, the committee is hoping to give a short presentation about the virtue of the month, love, and how we as a Catholic community can spread this virtue within our schools. To accompany the presentation, our goal is to sell rosary bracelets and/or rings to anyone in attendance at the GA, to promote Catholic values and raise money for the Archdiocese.

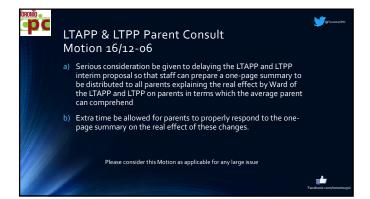
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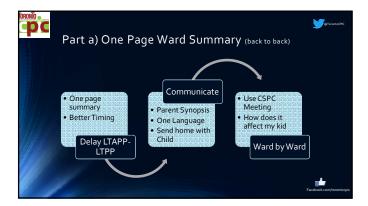
The General Assembly for the month of January has been cancelled due to the timing of exams – we want to make sure all students will be able to attend the CSLIT meetings while not feeling the stress of exam week.

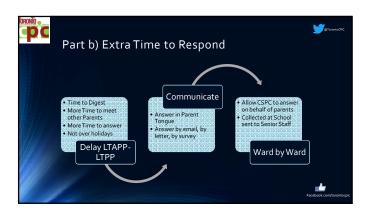


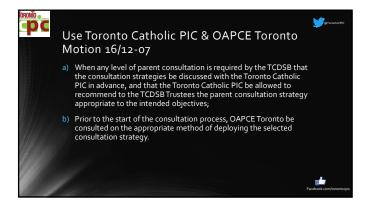


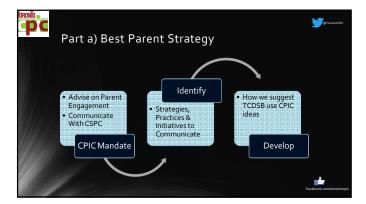
MOVED THAT the Toronto
Catholic Parent Involvement
Committee hereby recommends
to TCDSB Trustees and the
Director of Education in the
interests of parent involvement
and engagement for student
Academic Achievement and WellBeing that:

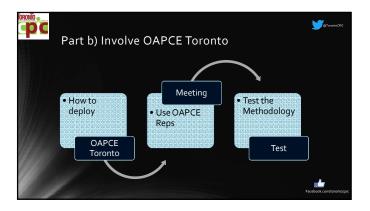


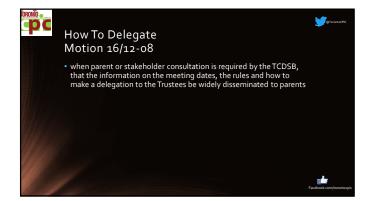


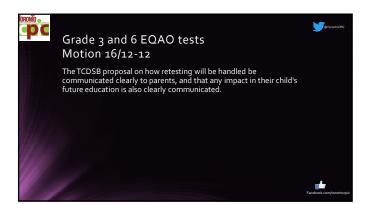














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Minutes

Name	Joe Kelly	Kelly				
Committee	Regular / Special	Board				
Date of Presentation	1/26/2017					
Topic of Presentation	Blessed Archbisho	op Romero field				
Topic or Issue		been able to access field for 3 years. Trustee, Board we not gotten together to discuss. Students find this				
Details	school and parent	n has circulated a petition and raised awareness with community and our next step is coming to the board by the local councillor then the media.				
Action Requested						
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Submittal Date	1/22/2017					

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January 20, 2017

Ms. Angela Gauthier
Director of Education
Toronto Catholic District School Board
80 Sheppard Avenue East
Toronto, ON M2N 6E8

Dear Ms. Gauthier,

I am writing to inform you that the Ministry of Education has completed our review of the stand-alone child care and child and family program joint submissions submitted for new capital funding for school-based early years capital construction projects. These projects were submitted as part of your 2016 Capital Priorities submission announced in the Memorandum 2016:B11. Eligible projects for consideration were stand-alone joint submissions (capital projects that were not associated with a Capital Priorities project) for new child care or child and family program construction, or retrofits to an existing school.

Eligible child care capital projects being funded will support the government's recent announcement to create an additional 100,000 new, licensed child care spaces for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers over the next five years. This commitment, made in the recent Speech from the Throne, will double the current capacity for 0 to 4 year olds in licensed child care.

Demand was significant; 54 school boards submitted 205 requests for 193 school capital projects, worth approximately \$2.6 billion, for funding consideration. The ministry also received 168 requests from 47 school boards for early years capital funding for the creation of 443 new child care rooms and 94 child and family program rooms, totalling over \$243 million.

As noted in Memorandum 2016: B11, the ministry used the following criteria to assess and prioritize eligible projects:

- Child care replacement due to school closure/accommodation review;
- Age groupings (infant rooms a priority);
- Accommodation pressures/service gaps; and,
- Cost effectiveness/viability.

Under this round of Capital Priorities, your school board submitted six stand-alone child care and/or child and family program capital projects. After careful review of your school board's joint submissions, I am pleased to confirm that the ministry has approved five of the stand-alone child care and/or child and family program capital projects that were identified by your school board. In total, your school board will be allocated \$9,279,248 to undertake these projects. The chart below provides a complete list of the stand-alone child care and child and family program submissions submitted by your school board. This chart outlines the funding amounts for the approved joint submissions, and the rationale for not providing funding for the denied joint submissions. Should your school board continue to see the denied project as a priority, you may submit it during future rounds of Capital Priorities and School Consolidation Capital programs.

	Funding Allocation							
Project	Child Care		Child and Family Program		Total		Rationale	
St. Albert	\$	2,571,267	\$	-	\$	2,571,267		
St. Thomas Aquinas	\$	2,571,267	\$	-	\$	2,571,267		
Nativity of Our Lord	\$	2,571,267	\$	-	\$	2,571,267		
St. John Vianney	\$	771,380	\$	-	\$	771,380		
Holy Family	\$	794,068	\$	-	\$	794,068		
St. Luke	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	This project was not considered for Capital Priorities Grant funding at this time. The Ministry recommends that the board consider the existing capacity within the schools.	
Total	\$	9,279,248	\$	-	\$	9,279,248		

Payment

The Capital Priorities Grant, including new construction of child care and child and family programs, operate on a modified grant payment process where cash flow is based on school board spending. There are two annual reporting periods for these programs:

- For the period of September 1st to March 31st, all related expenditures are recorded in the school board's March Report; and,
- For the period of April 1st to August 31st, all related expenditures are recorded in the school board's financial statements.

School boards will also be funded for the short-term interest costs related to these capital programs reflecting that cash flows will occur on a semi-annual basis. The short-term interest payments will be calculated in a manner similar to how they have been calculated for other eligible capital programs.

School boards should continue to report any new capital projects that have received a funding allocation/approval in the Inventory Data section of the ministry's School Facilities Information System (SFIS).

School Board Responsibilities

Your school board is responsible for, and will be held accountable for, implementing appropriate measures to ensure that the cost and scope are within the approved funding and do not exceed the ministry's space benchmarks. Note the child care and child and family program funding allocation you have received can only be used to address capital costs related to the creation of a project's child care and/or child and family program rooms.

Communications Protocol Requirements: Public Communications and Events

All public announcements regarding capital investments in the publicly funded education system are joint communications opportunities for the provincial government, the school board, the Consolidated Municipal Service Manager/District Social Services Administration Board (CMSM/DSSAB), and community partners.

Public Communications

School boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners should not issue a news release or any other media-focussed public communication regarding major capital construction projects without publicly recognizing the Ministry of Education's role in funding the project. In addition, school boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners can contact the Ministry of Education to receive additional content for the media-focussed public communications, such as quotes from the Associate Minister.

The Ministry of Education may also choose to issue its own news release about various project milestones in addition to those prepared by school boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners. If the Ministry chooses to do so, school boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners will be contacted to get quotes from the Chair (and/or Director of Education for school boards).

The intent is to secure as much coverage for these events as possible, and in doing so, help promote the role of both the Ministry of Education and the school board, CMSM/DSSAB, and community partner in bringing exciting new capital projects to local communities.

Major Announcements and Events

Important: For all new school openings, or openings of major additions which includes child care and/or child and family programs and/or community hubs, the Associate Minister of Education must be invited as early as possible to the event. Invitations can be sent to associateminister.edu@ontario.ca, with a copy sent to the Ministry's Regional Manager, Field Services Branch, in your area. School boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners are not to proceed with their public event until they have received a response from the Associate Minister's Office regarding the Associate Minister's attendance. School boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners will be notified at least four to six weeks in advance of their opening event as to the Associate Minister's attendance. Please note that if the date of your event changes at any time

after the Associate Minister has received the invitation, please confirm the change at the email address above.

If the Associate Minister of Education is unavailable, the invitation may be shared with a government representative who will contact your school board, CMSM/DSSAB, and community partner to coordinate the details (e.g., a joint announcement). School boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners are not expected to delay their announcements to accommodate the Associate Minister or a Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); the primary goal is to make sure that the Associate Minister is aware of the announcement opportunity.

Should the event be focussed on child care and/or child and family program and/or community hub capital, the Ministry of Education highly recommends inviting your partner CMSMs/DSSABs and/or community partners, who may also wish to participate and contribute.

Other Events

For all other media-focussed public communications opportunities, such as sod turnings for example, an invitation to your local event must be sent to the Associate Minister of Education by email with at least three weeks' notice. Again, please send a copy to the Ministry's Regional Manager, Field Services Branch, in your area. Please note that if the date of your event changes at any time after the Associate Minister has received the invitation, please confirm the change at the email address above.

School boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners are not expected to delay these "other" events to accommodate the Associate Minister. Only an invitation needs to be sent, a response is not mandatory to proceed.

This communications protocol does not replace school boards' existing partnership with the Ministry of Education's regional offices. Regional offices should still be regarded as school boards' primary point of contact for events and should be given updates in accordance to existing processes.

Acknowledgement of Support

You must acknowledge the support of the Government of Ontario in media-focussed communications of any kind, written or oral, relating to the agreement or the project. This could include but is not limited to, any report, announcement, speech, advertisement, publicity, promotional material, brochure, audio-visual material, web communications or any other public communications. For minor interactions on social media, or within social media such as Twitter, Vine, etc. where there is a tight restriction on content, school boards, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners are not required to include government acknowledgement. In addition, when engaged in reactive communications (e.g., media calls) the school board, CMSMs/DSSABs, and community partners do not have to acknowledge government funding; however, if possible, such an acknowledgement is appreciated.

Signage

For these approved major capital construction projects, school boards will be required to display signage at the site of construction that identifies the support of the Government of Ontario. Signage will be provided to school boards by the Ministry of Education. School boards are then responsible for posting the signage for the projects identified by the Ministry of Education in a prominent location. This should be done in a timely manner following the receipt of the signage. All signage production costs will be covered by the Ministry of Education, including the cost of distributing the signage to school boards.

Should you have any communications-related questions, please contact Ryan Rigby at 416-325-2540 or Ryan.Rigby@ontario.ca.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for your assistance and support throughout this process, and look forward to continuing to work with your school board.

Should you have any questions about the Capital Priorities Grant, please contact your Capital Analyst, Lisa Bland at 416-326-9921 or Lisa.Bland@ontario.ca.

For any questions related to the child care and/or child and family program capital requests, please contact your Early Years Education Officer or Child Care Advisor: Dolores Cascone at 416-314-6300 or Dolores.Cascone@ontario.ca; Isilda Kucherenko at 416-325-3244 or Isilda.Kucherenko@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Shannon Fuller Assistant Deputy Minister (Acting) Early Years Division

c: Carlene Jackson, Executive Superintendent of Business Services & Chief Financial Officer
Kevin Malcom, Superintendent, Toronto Catholic District School Board
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Steven Reid, Director, Field Services Branch
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Lisa Bland, Capital Analyst, Financial Policy & Business Division



January 20th, 2017

Councillor Gary Crawford Chair of the Budget Committee 10th floor, West Tower, City Hall 100 Queen Street West Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

To the Chair of the Budget Committee,

We received a letter in December from the General Manager of Toronto Children's Services informing us that a recommendation would be put forth to the Budget Committee to cut funding of occupancy costs of daycares to school boards. We are writing this letter to express our concern about, and our strong opposition to, the proposed cuts to funding.

As you know, daycare costs in the city of Toronto are already among the highest in the province. The funding received by the city is crucial in keeping daycare costs somewhat more affordable for Toronto families, as it keeps operating costs lower for child care providers operating in our schools. We strongly believe that these cuts will have a direct impact on families as these additional costs to daycares will likely be passed on to them.

Since 2012, the province has been focussing on improving child care for residents of the province. Many new initiatives have been put in place to support this priority by the provincial government. In fact, in the next stage of implementation, the focus will be on improving accessibility. We believe that the City also needs to prioritize accessibility of child care for families that reside in Toronto.

We hope the city will reconsider or withdraw its proposed budget cuts to the Children's Services Division or ultimately that the Budget Committee will reject the proposed motion to cut funding agreements with school boards which lower operating costs of daycares in the city of Toronto.

Sincerely yours,

Jean-François L'Heureux

Chair of Conseil scolaire Viamonde School Board

cc Elaine Baxter-Trahair, General Manager of Toronto Children's Services
Melinda Chartrand, Chair of Conseil scolaire de district catholique du Centre-Sud
André Blais, Director of Conseil scolaire de district catholique du Centre-Sud
Robin Pilkey, Chair of the Toronto District School Board
John Malloy, Director of the Toronto District School Board
Angela Kennedy, Chair of the Toronto Catholic District School Board
Angela Gauthier, Director of the Toronto Catholic District School Board





