



REPORT TO

REGULAR BOARD

REVIEW OF THE PROCESS FOR POLICY APPROVAL

"Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear." – Ephesians 4:29

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INFORMATION REPORT

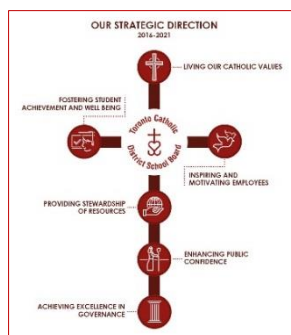
Vision:

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

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.



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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to clarify whether the Governance and Policy Committee reports to the Board of Trustees or elsewhere. It is clear from the Board resolutions and Robert's Rules referenced in this report that the Governance and Policy ("GAP") Committee has since its inception, and without interruption, reported to the Board of Trustees

The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 4 hours.

B. PURPOSE

1. The question of where GAP reports has arisen from inquiries made by both the Board of Trustees and the GAP committee.

C. BACKGROUND

1. At the regular Board meeting held February 3, 2011, the Board of Trustees considered a report titled:
"Establishing Board Standing Committees"
 - Policy Governance
 - Student Achievement: Excellence in Catholic Education" (emphasis added).
2. The report recommended that the Board "establish a Policy and Governance Committee... to provide leadership and direction in policy... and it will make recommendations to the Board" (emphasis added).
3. On consideration of the report, the Board approved a motion as follows: "that the Board establish a Policy [and] Governance Committee and appoint four Trustees along with the Chair of the Board as an *ex-officio* member".
4. At the April 20, 2011, Board meeting, the Board approved the following:
Appointment to Standing Committees:

Policy Governance Committee: Trustees Kennedy, Rizzo, Del Grande, and Crawford. The Chair and Vice-Chair are *ex-officio* members".
5. The Board resolutions of February 3, 2011, and April 20, 2011, clearly confirm that the GAP Committee is a Standing Committee of the Board.

6. It is clear from a reading of Article IV of Robert's Rules of Order that standing committees report to the "assembly" that established the standing committee. The Board of Trustees is the assembly that created the Governance (and) Policy Committee.
7. The Governance and Policy Committee has reported to the Board of Trustees since its inception.
8. The Board of Trustees may choose to approve a motion directing that the Governance and Policy Committee not report to the Board of Trustees, but instead report elsewhere. As described above, however, currently – and since its inception – the GAP Committee reports to the Board of Trustees.

D. CONCLUDING STATEMENT

This report is for the consideration of the Board.