

ELECTIONS BY-LAWS

Section 3.12 of the TCDSB General Working By-Law 175 (2012) outlines the following rules for elections:

3.12 Elections

The election of Trustees and others to positions required to be filled by the Board of Trustees shall be conducted by the Presiding Officer as follows:

- 3.12.1 nominations shall be sought, each of which shall be moved and seconded;
- 3.12.2 after the nominations for the position have been closed and before the vote is taken, each candidate who has not already so declared and in the sequence nominated, shall declare whether or not such candidate will serve;
- 3.12.3 if there are two or more nominations for any position, the election shall be conducted by secret ballot, provided that, with the agreement of majority of Trustees, a recorded vote may be used pursuant to which the identity of both the Trustee voting and the name of the candidate are recorded and announced;
- 3.12.4 with the approval of the Board of Trustees, two returning officers shall be appointed, the duties of whom shall include the distribution and counting of the ballots; and
- 3.12.5 after each ballot has been counted in any round of balloting, the name of every candidate receiving no votes, and the name of the candidate otherwise receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped, and the balloting shall so continue until a candidate has received a majority of the votes of the Trustees present;
- 3.12.6 at any time that there are three or more names remaining on a ballot and two or more nominees are tied with the least number of votes, a vote shall be taken to decide which of such tied nominees shall remain on the list of names to be voted upon in the next round of voting; and

3.12.7 In the case of an equality of votes between two, or among three or more, candidates for any office or position, during three consecutive ballots, the candidates shall draw lots to fill the office or position.