



REPORT TO

REGULAR BOARD

## UPDATE FROM THE BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE CHANGES TO TCDSB OPERATING BY- LAW NUMBER 175

*When you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Deuteronomy 30:10*

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### RECOMMENDATION REPORT

**Vision:**

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

**Mission:**

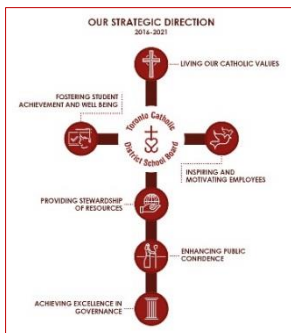
*The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.*

*We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.*

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Director of Education

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Development, and  
Chief Financial Officer



## **A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report provides recommended changes to the Board arising out of various issues with respect to the Board's operating by-laws. These changes have been approved by the By-Law Review Ad-Hoc Committee.

*The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 3 hours*

## **B. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to propose revisions to the Board's Operating By-Law Number 175 (as amended at April 21, 2016).

## **C. BACKGROUND**

1. The Ad-Hoc By-Law Committee met to discuss and review various articles of the Board's Operating By-Law and instructed staff to review matters discussed at the meeting and report back to the committee. The committee met on the following dates:
  - February 19, 2019,
  - April 10, 2019 and
  - May 13, 2019
2. **September 9, 2019** – at the By-Laws Review Ad-Hoc Committee, the committee discussed various articles of the Board's Operating By-Laws and considered input from the CPIC Chair regarding including language to the TCDSB's Operating By-Law Number 175 (as amended at April 21, 2016).
3. **October 7, 2019** - at the By-Laws Review Ad-Hoc Committee, the committee approved the final draft to update the TCDSB's Operating By-Law Number 175 (as amended at April 21, 2016) in **Appendix A**.

## **D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS**

1. The following articles were revised or added by the By-Laws Review Ad Hoc Committee:

Article	Content
5.6	<p><b><u>Composition of Ad-Hoc Committees</u></b>  <i>Added:</i> ...it is strongly recommended that...</p>
5.6.1	<p><b><u>New Sub-Article</u></b>  All Trustees may attend Ad-Hoc committee meetings. Trustees who are not members of the Ad-Hoc Committee may participate in discussion/debate at the meeting but may not move a motion or vote on any matter.</p>
5.6.2	<p><b><u>New Sub-Article</u></b>  Neither the Chair or the Vice-Chair of the Board have ex-officio status on an Ad-Hoc committee. Trustee membership on all Ad-Hoc committees will be listed on the Board’s website.</p>
5.10.1	<p><b><u>New Sub-Article</u></b>  All Trustees may attend sub-committee meetings. Trustees who are not members of the sub-committee may participate in discussion/debate at the meeting but may not move a motion or vote on any matter.</p>
5.10.2	<p><b><u>New Sub-Article</u></b>  Neither the Chair or the Vice-Chair of the Board have ex-officio status on an sub-committee. Trustee membership on all sub-committees will be listed on the Board’s website.</p>
10.8.9	<p><b><u>New Sub-Article</u></b>  Any recommended changes to policy, program or services from SEAC shall stand referred to staff for a report to the Board of Trustees.</p>
10.8.10	<p><b><u>New Sub-Article</u></b>  Any matter dealing with recommended changes to parent involvement/engagement policy of services shall, if adopted, stand referred to the Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) where applicable, prior to submission to the Board of Trustees for consideration; and the staff report, along with any CPIC response, shall be submitted to the appropriate committee for review prior to submission to the Board of Trustees.</p>
10.9.19.1	<p><b><u>Board Order Paper - New Sub-Article</u></b>  Inquiries and Miscellaneous items must be submitted to staff and all Trustees at least 24 hours prior to the meeting</p>

10.10.17.1	<p><b>Committee Order Paper - <u>New Sub-Article</u></b>          Inquiries and Miscellaneous items must be submitted to staff and all Trustees at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.</p>
18.1	<p><b>Reimbursement for Costs and Expenses Relating to Municipal Conflict of Interest Proceedings - Revisions</b>  <del>On the advice of the Director as Chief Executive Officer and Secretary of the Board, and u</del>Upon receipt of a formal documented request, <del>in consultation with the Board of Trustees,</del> the TCDSB shall pay on behalf of or reimburse, irrespective of any awarded costs, all reasonable costs and expenses, as agreed or taxed, <del>based on the individual merits of each case, and not to be arbitrarily withheld,</del> incurred by a Trustee who has been found not to have contravened Article 5 of the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.</p>

**E. STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Board consider the amendments made by the By-Law Review Ad-Hoc Committee and approve the proposed changes as outlined in the Revised Draft TCDSB Operating By-Law Number 174 (as amended at April 21, 2016) in Appendix A.