

## 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.*



# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PUBLIC SESSION

**HELD THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2020**

- Trustees:**
- J. Martino, Chair – In Person
  - A. Kennedy, Vice-Chair
  - N. Crawford
  - F. D’Amico
  - M. de Domenico
  - M. Del Grande
  - D. Di Giorgio
  - N. Di Pasquale
  - I. Li Preti
  - T. Lubinski
  - M. Rizzo
  - G. Tanuan
- Student Trustees:**
- T. Dallin
  - K. Nguyen
- Staff:**
- R. McGuckin
  - D. Koenig
  - L. Noronha
  - A. Della Mora
  - P. Aguiar
  - M. Caccamo
  - S. Camacho
  - S. Campbell
  - F. Cifelli

P. De Cock  
L. DiMarco  
M. Farrell  
C. Fernandes  
D. Friesen  
G. Iuliano Marrello  
L. Latham  
M. Loberto  
L. Maselli-Jackman  
P. Matthews  
S. Vlahos  
J. Wujek

S. Harris, Recording Secretary  
S. Pellegrini, Assistant Recording Secretary

**External Guest:** A. Robertson, Parliamentarian

#### **4. Roll Call and Apologies**

An apology for lateness was extended on behalf of Trustee Kennedy.

#### **5. Approval of the Agenda**

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Di Giorgio, that the Agenda, as amended to include the Addendum, and reorder Items 16a), 2020-21 Budget Estimates Overall and Instructional; 16b) 2020-21 Budget Estimates Non-Instructional; 16c) 2020-2021 Revised School Year Calendar; and 16d) The Toronto Catholic District School Board's (TCDSB) Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic - July 16, 2020 after Item 12a) Consideration of Motion from Trustee Markus de Domenico regarding Position of TCDSB regarding Cannabis Dispensary Locations near Schools, Parks and Community Centres, be approved.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

**6. Reports from Private Session**

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee de Domenico, that the report from PRIVATE Session regarding a labour item relating to the Budget be received.

Trustees Del Grande and Li Preti declared an interest in the Item and did not participate in the discussions nor vote on the Item as they have family members who are employees of the Board.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee de Domenico, that the Agenda be reopened.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino

Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee de Domenico, that Item 7f) Notice of Motion from Trustee Rizzo regarding Graduation Ceremonies for the Class of 2020 be added to the Addendum.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

## 7. Notices of Motion

- 7a) **From Trustee Kennedy regarding Board of Trustees Updates from Operational Committees** will be considered at the Special Board Meeting on July 23, 2020.

WHEREAS: There are many decisions to be made as we approach September 2020 relating to return to school;

WHEREAS: There may be policy changes necessary to be implemented before school opens;

WHEREAS: There will be Ministry directives, possibly legislation, feedback from parents, students, and teachers to be considered to inform the Board's decisions;

WHEREAS: Under the Education Act, the Board as a whole is legally accountable for its decisions, no individual Trustee has authority to make decisions;

WHEREAS: Our role and responsibility as a Corporate Board is:

- 1) To make informed decisions so we need information;
- 2) Maintain focus on student achievement and well being;
- 3) Make policy and ensure that it is implemented;
- 4) Advocate on behalf of our ratepayers; and
- 5) Hold the Director accountable

WHEREAS: The way to carry out our responsibilities is with meeting together formally as a Corporate Board not assigning an individual Trustee to be a member of a committee, having the matter appear on an Agenda; and

WHEREAS: There is a short timeline to prepare for school re-opening, operational committees will be meeting throughout the Summer.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The Corporate Board of Trustees shall be updated every two weeks with information from the committees that are responsible for the following (may not be the complete list):

1. Return to School
2. Transportation
3. Health and Safety
4. Communication
5. Staff engagement
6. Parent engagement
7. Special education
8. Mental Health
9. Nurturing our Catholic Community
10. Student Nutrition
11. Facilities
12. Daycares and before and after school programs

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Trustees be given an opportunity to provide feedback before decisions are made that will impact the learning environment caused by COVID-19 Pandemic. Since 169.1 Education Act requires that Boards are accountable for their fiscal and overall performance and for academic achievement and wellbeing of students and staff. Boards are also responsible for effectively communicating to parents and larger community;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Director of Education shall bring any and all major decisions re return to school to the Corporate Board of Trustees before the decision is finalized; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT: This motion be discussed at the meeting that it is tabled at as a Notice of motion because the delay for discussion and decision will have negative impact on the students and their families.

- 7b) From Trustee Kennedy regarding Restarting the Governance Committee and By-Law Ad Hoc Committee As Soon As Possible** will be considered at the Special Board Meeting on July 23, 2020.

WHEREAS: The essence of good governance is that we have the structures in place to ensure good governance;

WHEREAS: There is a new reality of doing business virtually – it can be done;

WHEREAS: There is a definite need for business to be back to normal at the TCDSB; and

WHEREAS: The transition to new normal during COVID-19 should contemplate the restart of the Governance Committee and the By-Law Ad Hoc Committee as soon as possible;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board would schedule a Governance Standing Committee and a By-Law Ad Hoc Committee immediately.

- 7c) From Trustee Kennedy regarding Amendment of By-Law to Reflect the New Governance Model with Respect to the Authority of the Integrity Commissioner** will be considered at the Special Board Meeting on July 23, 2020.

WHEREAS: The present By-laws do not speak to the authority of the Integrity Commissioner; and

WHEREAS: There is an urgent need to amend the By-laws to reflect the new governance model.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Staff bring a report to the next Board meeting with the wording of a By-law that speaks to the authority of the Integrity Commissioner in our governance model.

- 7d) From Trustee de Domenico regarding End to Virtual Board Meetings** will be considered at the Special Board Meeting on July 23, 2020.

WHEREAS: Due to COVID-19, the Board of Trustees passed a motion in March 2020 to hold meetings virtually;

WHEREAS: The Board has continued to meet virtually since the passing of that motion;

WHEREAS: Many Trustees are advocating students and staff to return to schools in September 2020 and Trustees should set a proper example to the community;

WHEREAS: Board meetings cannot be held safely in the Catholic Teacher's Centre due to overcrowding, but there is adequate space to socially distance in the main Boardroom; and



WHEREAS: The use of the main Boardroom allows for greater public involvement with the work of the Board of Trustees;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The TCDSB schedule Board Meetings at the CEC as soon as the renovations are complete, and Toronto Public Health guidelines permit us to do so in a fashion that does not negatively impact the safety of CEC staff.

- 7e) From Trustee de Domenico regarding Approval of Promotional Expense per Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) Policy T.17 (Trustee Services and Expenditures Policy) will be considered at the Special Board Meeting on July 23, 2020.**

WHEREAS: Due to COVID-19, the TCDSB has had to reduce bussing. This change will increase private vehicle traffic in and around schools;

WHEREAS: All schools have already experienced increased dangers from parent drop offs and pick-ups and this will increase when bussing is reduced;

WHEREAS: There have been several serious injuries sustained by students due to vehicle traffic not obeying speed signage and improper parking;

WHEREAS: Safety is our primary goal for our students, families and staff members;

WHEREAS: In the past, when local city councillors offered signage to their communities asking motorists to slow down, the response from community members was overwhelming; and

WHEREAS: The current TCDSB Policy T.17 (Trustee Services and Expenditures) in Regulation B.1(g) is permissive of Promotional Materials and requires Board of Trustees approval for the procurement of these signs as an allowable expense;

BE IT RESOLVED: That the TCDSB approve the Trustee Promotional Material expense effective immediately to allow Trustees to order lawn signs to be printed and distributed to their schools, advocating motorists to slow down, be watchful of children in a school zone and include a contact email to the Trustee to report violations.

- 7f) **From Trustee Rizzo regarding Graduation Ceremonies for the Class of 2020** will be considered at the Special Board Meeting on July 23, 2020.

WHEREAS: Due to COVID-19 students were unable to celebrate graduation in the traditional ways;

WHEREAS: Families were saddened that they were unable to recognize and acknowledge their sons and daughters of the class of 2020;

WHEREAS: Many school communities acknowledged graduating students in different and varied ways at the end of the school year;

WHEREAS: Students and parents were disappointed with the inconsistent methods adopted by each school community to celebrate the graduates;

WHEREAS: Parents and students have requested that graduating students be formally acknowledged by holding commencement ceremonies when possible;

WHEREAS: Some schools are planning for graduation ceremonies when health protocols are lifted; and

WHEREAS: Some school communities are not planning any further ceremonies to recognize graduates.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** All school communities plan and hold graduation celebrations for the Classes of 2020 whenever it is possible to do so based on public health protocols.

## **8. Declarations of Interest**

In PRIVATE Session, Trustees Del Grande and Li Preti declared an interest, as earlier indicated in Item 6 above.

Trustees Del Grande, Kennedy, Li Preti and Rizzo declared an interest in the following Items as they have family members who are employees of the Board:

- 15a) Consideration for the Reallocation of Elementary Vice Principals - Trustees Li Preti and Rizzo;

16a) 2020-21 Budget Estimates Overall and Instructional- Trustees Del Grande, Kennedy, Li Preti and Rizzo (sections relating to salaries and teachers' benefits); and

16b) 2020-21 Budget Estimates Non-Instructional – Trustees Del Grande and Kennedy

Trustees Del Grande, Kennedy, Li Preti and Rizzo indicated that they would neither participate nor vote in those respective Items. Trustee Rizzo indicated that she would participate in the discussions regarding Item 15a) Consideration for the Reallocation of Elementary Vice Principals but would not vote.

**9. Approval and Signing of Minutes of the Previous Meetings**

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Trustee Li Preti, that Items 9a) and 9b) be adopted as follows:

**9a) Regular Board Held June 11, 2020** approved; and

**9b) Special Board Held June 18, 2020** approved.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

**11. Delegations**

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale, that Item 11a) be adopted as follows:

- 11a) From Michelle Pellettier regarding TCDSB Response to COVID-19 received and referred to Staff.**

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Di Giorgio, that Item 11b) be adopted as follows:

- 11b) From Annalisa Crudo-Perri, Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) Executive Director, regarding TCDSB Return to School** received and referred to Staff.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that Item 11c) be adopted as follows:

- 11c) From Jennifer Di Francesco regarding TCDSB's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic - July 16, 2020 Update** received and referred to Staff.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Kennedy connected at 8:00 pm.

MOVED by Trustee Lubinski, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale, that Item 11d) be adopted as follows:

- 11d) From Jo-Ann Davis regarding Elementary School Plans for September Update received and referred to Staff.**

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande

Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that Item 11e) be adopted as follows:

- 11e) From Christin Carmichael Greb, Chair, Catholic School Parent Committee, Blessed Sacrament Catholic School regarding the Draft Return to School Plan** received and referred to Staff.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee de Domenico, that Item 11g) be adopted as follows:

- 11g) From Cristina Martins, Chair, Brebeuf College regarding COVID-19 and School Re-Entry Plan** received and referred to Staff.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

- 1h) From Danny Arrais regarding School Reopening** absent.



**12. Consideration of Motions for which Previous Notice has been Given**

MOVED by Trustee de Domenico, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale, that Item 12a) be adopted as follows:

**12a) From Markus De Domenico regarding Position of TCDSB regarding Cannabis dispensary locations near Schools, Parks and Community Centers:**

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 centers;

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.

- 1) 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;
- 2) BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The 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;
- 3) BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Principals in the TCDSB be made aware of Cannabis retail outlets in their area; and

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

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

**16. Reports of Officials Requiring Action of the Board of Trustees**

Trustees Del Grande, Kennedy and Li Preti left the virtual room at 8:33 pm due to a Declaration of Interest in Item 16a), as earlier indicated. Trustee Rizzo said she would not participate in discussions nor vote on sections relating to salaries and teachers' benefits;

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that Item 16a) be adopted as follows:

**16a) 2020-21 Budget Estimates Overall and Instructional received.**

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Di Giorgio that:

WHEREAS: The Angel Foundation feeds over TCDSB 60,000 students daily, by delivering over 1 million meals per month;

WHEREAS: The Angel Foundation provides emergency and basic life supports for families in need including shelter, food, clothing, reading glasses, hearing and visual aids, counselling, and more;

WHEREAS: The Angel Foundation directly provides funds to ensure that no student is left behind and all students have equal access to excursions and other learning opportunities;

WHEREAS: The Angel Foundation has been a key support for the two school communities recently displaced by apartment building fires;

WHEREAS: The Angel Foundation has been a key support during COVID-19, providing grocery gift cards through a student home nutrition program and emergency services to students;

WHEREAS: The demand for emergency support services has increased over the years, with a very high amount due to COVID-19;

WHEREAS: New COVID-19 student nutrition regulations will raise the cost for the Angel Foundation to deliver student nutrition; and

WHEREAS: The TCDSB currently funds The Angel Foundation at \$100,000 per year; roughly \$1 per student per year.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: On an annual basis an additional \$100,000 be allocated from the Student Equity Reserve to the Angel Foundation, so long as the reserve stays in a positive balance in each given year.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee de Domenico, seconded by Trustee Lubinski:

WHEREAS: The Playground Reserve Fund was met with overwhelming success and there were requests from schools for more funds than were available to distribute;

WHEREAS: The Board continues to recognize the great need to assist schools with playground and greening projects; and

WHEREAS: The Board reserve has adequate funding to increase the Playground Reserve budget for each Ward.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Trustees increase the base funding for the Playground reserve to \$200,000 per Ward and retain all existing rules and subsidies for the applications for that funding;

MOVED in AMENDMENT to the AMENDMENT by Trustee de Domenico, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Strategic Reserves policy be directed to the Governance and Policy Committee to consider a revision to this policy to allow for increased funding of the Playground Reserve.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT to the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

Trustees D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Pasquale  
Lubinski  
Rizzo

**Opposed**

Crawford  
Di Giorgio  
Martino

The AMENDMENT to the AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Tanuan did not vote/respond.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

Trustees D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Pasquale  
Lubinski  
Rizzo

**Opposed**

Crawford  
Di Giorgio  
Martino

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Tanuan did not vote/respond.

Time for business expired.

MOVED by Trustee Tanuan, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that time be extended by 15 minutes, as per Article 12.6, to complete the debate on the Item.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Trustee Crawford:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The financial analysis related to the integrated day International Languages program be provided in the Budget report coming to the July 23, 2020 Board meeting.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

Trustees Crawford  
Di Giorgio  
Tanuan

**Opposed**

D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Pasquale  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo

The AMENDMENT was declared

LOST

Trustee Rizzo declared an interest, as earlier indicated, in the following and recused herself:

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Tanuan, that staff bring a finalized overall balanced budget to the Special Board meeting on July 23, 2020, for approval, that consolidates all input and direction received by Trustees.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Tanuan

**Opposed**

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken on the Motion, as amended, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Tanuan

The Motion, as amended, was declared

CARRIED

Trustees Li Preti and Rizzo returned to the virtual room at 10:24 pm.

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Tanuan, that Item 16b) be adopted as follows:

**16b) 2020-21 Budget Estimates Non-Instructional** received.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Di Giorgio, that the already approved and unused Community Use of School (Priority School Initiative) funding for the 2020 year be carried forward to the 2020-2021 year.



Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Tanuan, seconded by Trustee Lubinski, that Staff bring a finalized Non-Instructional balanced budget to the Special Board meeting on July 23, 2020, for approval, that consolidates all input and direction received by Trustees.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Tanuan

Rizzo

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken on the Motion, as amended, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Tanuan

Rizzo

The Motion, as amended, was declared

CARRIED

Trustees Del Grande and Kennedy returned to the virtual room at 10:35 pm.

**Consent and Review**

The Chair reviewed the Order Page and the following Items were held:

- 14a) Approved Minutes of the Audit Committee Held January 29, 2020 - Trustee Kennedy;
- 14b) Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting Held May 20, 2020 -Trustee Li Preti;
- 14c) Approved Minutes of the Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) Meeting Held May 11, 2020 - Trustee Crawford;

- 15a) Consideration for the Re-Allocation of Elementary Vice Principals - Trustee Crawford;
- 16d) The TCDSB's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic - July 16, 2020 Update - Trustee Di Pasquale;
- 16e) Recommendation of New Name for Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School - Trustee Tanuan;
- 16f) St. John the Evangelist Catholic School Capital Project Budget Increase - Trustee Di Giorgio;
- 16g) Response to May 2020 CPIC Motions - Trustee Tanuan;
- 16h) The TCDSB's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic - July 16, 2020 Update - Appendix G (Refer to Item 16d) – Trustee Di Pasquale;
- 17a) From Toronto Student Transportation Group (TSTG) Committee regarding COVID-19 Impact on Transportation II - Trustee Kennedy; and
- 18a) Abundant Life Centre - Loretto Sisters Project in Kenya (Refer to Video at the Meeting) – Trustee Rizzo.

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Trustee de Domenico, that the Item not held be received and the Staff recommendations be approved.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
 D'Amico  
 de Domenico  
 Del Grande  
 Di Giorgio  
 Di Pasquale  
 Kennedy  
 Li Preti  
 Lubinski  
 Martino  
 Rizzo  
 Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

**ITEM AS CAPTURED IN ABOVE MOTION**

**16c) 2020-2021 Revised School Year Calendar** that the Board of Trustees approve:

1. The revised school year calendar for the 2020-2021 school year as outlined in Appendix D of the report; and
2. The communication plan outlined in the report.

The Chair declared a five-minute recess.

The meeting resumed with Trustee Martino in the Chair.

The attendance list remained unchanged.

**16. Reports of Officials Requiring Action of the Board of Trustees**

MOVED by Trustee Di Pasquale, seconded by Trustee Rizzo, that Item 16d) be adopted as follows:

**16d) The Toronto Catholic District School Board's Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic - July 16, 2020 Update:**

WHEREAS: Publicly funded education is the backbone of an inclusive society and a functional economy;

WHEREAS: The health and welfare of children and society are linked to investment in a strong public education system;

WHEREAS: Remote learning, which cannot replace in-person instruction long term, poses significant risks to the mental health and well-being of children, inhibits developmentally-appropriate socialization, and challenges effective delivery of special education services;

WHEREAS: Several Canadian authorities on children's health have raised significant concerns about the risks of keeping children in remote-learning scenarios long-term;

WHEREAS: School Boards must take their direction from the Provincial Government and the Minister of Education;

WHEREAS: The Ministry of Education has directed Boards to plan for three possible models, with the final direction coming from both the Ministry and Toronto Public Health in August;

WHEREAS: A Return to School and Work Committee and several sub-committees made up of staff from all departments was established to plan and prepare for a safe and healthy start to school in September as required by the Provincial Government directive; and

WHEREAS: Even though Boards were directed to work on three options, the Ministry is expecting Boards to begin September with the 'hybrid/adaptive model';

WHEREAS: This model places a tremendous burden on parents and caregivers -- and, in particular, women, families with young children and low-income families, and, stands to further jeopardize the economic recovery;

WHEREAS: The TCDSB is committed to providing the best educational experience possible under the circumstances and directions given by the Province;

WHEREAS: It is acknowledged that planning for the return to school and workplaces is a complex task with many considerations; including that COVID-19 can pose significant health risks, and that information about the virus is constantly evolving;

WHEREAS: The health and safety of students and staff need to be prioritized yet balanced with the needs of families; and

WHEREAS: Exceptional circumstances call for creative thinking and emergency funding beyond the control of the TCDSB itself.

- 1) THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Chair write to the Minister of Education and the Premier of Ontario to express the Board's concern that the current Back to School Recovery plan, and the "hybrid" or "adapted" model, in particular, leave working parents with young children, single-parent households, and low-income families in the precarious position of having to choose between educating their children and their own employment;
  
- 2) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The Chair write to the Prime Minister, Premier of Ontario and the Mayor of Toronto to encourage their collaboration on funding, policies and programs that allow children and families to participate fully in the reopening of schools in order to keep children safe, social and learning, including:
  - (i) Greater federal, provincial and municipal funding, infrastructure and support for the operation of accessible before and after school programs for children and youth; and
  
  - (ii) Childcare to ensure financial stability in the sector and fund the opening of a greater number of affordable, accessible space under social distancing parameters; and
  
  - (iii) Paid parental leave options for parents/guardians whose ability to participate in the workforce is hindered by the lack of complete school/childcare options for their child(ren); and
  
- 3) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The motions be included on the correspondence (above) to:

Ontario Catholic School Trustees Association; Chairs of all Ontario Catholic School Boards, Toronto City Councillors; Toronto Members of Parliament; and Toronto Members of Provincial Parliament
  
- 4) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Staff prepare a report detailing which schools do not have sufficient space to support smaller student cohorts;

- 5) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The Chair write to the Mayor of Toronto to look into the offer of city space made by the Mayor of Toronto to Toronto's School Boards; and
- 6) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The TCDSB request that the Ministry of Education provide emergency funding to cover all extra COVID-19 related costs.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Del Grande, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that:

1. That the both Boards collaborate on a communication that will go out to parents using all methods so to reach the maximum number of people. This communication should state that there is no guarantee of student transportation for school start in September no matter what model for learning is implemented. The Planning Department would need a two-month lead time to implement appropriately and safely. Parents please make your own arrangements;
2. That TCDSB concentrate all resources to plan for the model of a full return to school for all students who wish to return to school;
3. That lunchtime supervisors be placed in positions to assist with bus boarding and unboarding to help with extra screening for COVID and extra assistance to ensure that students have masks and are sitting appropriately;
4. That the TCDSB hire some temporary staff who would examine the criteria that are used to determine whether the student fits the criteria. The temporary staff would also examine each category to determine whether there needs to be a policy change;
5. That staff bring a report that would outline a recommendation for prioritization of students to receive busing;
6. That there be a communication sent to the Minister asking for clear guidelines so Boards could at least make some progress into the transportation; and

7. That the TCDSB lobby the government to allow full capacity of buses with children utilizing face masks as a safety precaution, if endorsed by Toronto Public Health.

Trustee Li Preti requested that the AMENDMENT be split at Item 7.

Results of the Vote taken regarding Parts 1 -6 of the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

Parts 1 -6 of the AMENDMENT were declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken regarding Part 7 of the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico

Di Giorgio  
Li Preti



de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

Part 7 of the AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale:

That all levels of government and the Archdiocese of Toronto be consulted to find ways to use available church and public spaces to allow school and child care to resume in person for as many children as possible safely;

That Staff investigate the possibility of real time remote learning from a different location that is live streamed to classroom to accommodate the students that cannot be accommodated in the physical space at school, like churches, community centres, libraries. (For example, one group of students could be in the classroom and one group could be offsite but able to access the class via live stream. The students off site could call in to the teacher to ask questions);

That Staff develop plans to implement before/after school, youth, enrichment programs (eg. homework clubs, martial arts, nutrition, robotics, music, art, dance) to care for children and youth who are not in other programs to relieve parents so that they can work; and target needy communities as a priority; and

That Staff provide models that include staggered hours for elementary and secondary students.

Results of the Vote taken regarding the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Rizzo, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale:

That TCDSB request the Provincial government develop an Emergency Action Plan to addresses back to school issues:

- i. Urgent one-time pandemic funding for crucial school repairs and upgrades including ventilation, infectious control measures such as touch free sinks and soap dispensers;
- ii. Supply additional transportation costs to allow for safe social distancing;
- iii. Address the excessive impact of COVID-19 on Black, Indigenous, racialized communities, and new immigrants with additional funding;

- iv. Provide pandemic funding to support safe new before/after school, youth, enrichment programs (eg. homework clubs, martial arts, nutrition, robotics, music, art, dance) to care for children and youth who are not in other programs to relieve parents so that they can work;
- v. That the Province allocate some funding from the Federal Government of \$7 billion to school Boards to address Covid-19 expenses like PPE (Personal Protective Equipment); and
- vi. Provide one-time funding at the beginning of schools opening for two months to provide support to principals and school communities by contracting retired administrators.

Results of the Vote taken regarding the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that:

WHEREAS: A return to normalcy in September may not be feasible and out of an abundance of caution the Board should examine all potential models;

WHEREAS: The majority of secondary students are able to stay home without parental supervision; and

WHEREAS: Additional models should be explored beyond the quad model for secondary students.

- 1) BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Staff examine a potential fourth option where elementary students are dispersed throughout elementary and secondary school buildings and secondary students are accommodated with an online learning model.
- 2) BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Staff provide two additional models of delivery besides the quad model for the secondary level.

Trustee Di Pasquale requested that the Question be split.

Results of the Vote taken regarding Part 1 of the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

Trustees Di Giorgio  
Kennedy

**Opposed**

Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

Part 1 of the AMENDMENT was declared

LOST

Results of the Vote taken regarding Part 2 of the AMENDMENT, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

Li Preti

Part 2 of the AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Kennedy requested that the Main Motion, as amended, be split.

Results of the Vote taken regarding Part 6 of the Main Motion, as amended, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande

Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

Part 6 of the Main Motion, as amended, was declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken regarding Part 5 of the Main Motion, as amended,  
as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

Crawford  
Martino

Part 5 of the Main Motion, as amended, was declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken regarding Part 4 of the Main Motion, as amended, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Lubinski  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

Part 4 of the Main Motion, as amended, was declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken regarding Parts 1-3 of the Main Motion, as amended, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Di Pasquale  
Li Preti  
Martino  
Rizzo

Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Kennedy  
Lubinski  
Tanuan

Parts 1-3 of the Main Motion, as amended, were declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Del Grande, seconded by Trustee Tanuan, that Item 16e) be adopted as follows:

- 16e) Recommendation of New Name for Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School** that Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School be renamed St. Joan of Arc Catholic Academy.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Lubinski did not vote/respond.



MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Di Pasquale, that all Items not discussed be deferred to the July 23, 2020 Special Board meeting and that the meeting be adjourned.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Trustees Crawford  
D'Amico  
de Domenico  
Del Grande  
Di Giorgio  
Di Pasquale  
Kennedy  
Li Preti  
Martino  
Rizzo  
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Lubinski did not vote/respond.

**ITEMS NOT DISCUSSED**

- 14a) Approved Minutes of the Audit Committee Held January 29, 2020;
- 14b) Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting Held May 20, 2020;
- 14c) Approved Minutes of the Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) Meeting Held May 11, 2020;

- 15a) Consideration for the Re-Allocation of Elementary Vice Principals;
- 16f) St. John the Evangelist Catholic School Capital Project Budget Increase;
- 16g) Response to May 2020 CPIC Motions;
- 17a) From Toronto Student Transportation Group (TSTG) Committee regarding COVID-19 Impact on Transportation II; and
- 18a) Abundant Life Centre - Loretto Sisters Project in Kenya (Refer to Video at the Meeting)

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CHAIR