

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE**

PUBLIC SESSION

E-MEETING VIA ZOOM

HELD MONDAY AUGUST 17, 2020

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the Meeting to Order at 7:11PM and opened the video/teleconferencing bridge.

YouTube live feed was activated on the Toronto CPIC channel.

Minutes are being captured by the Chair in absence of a Recording Secretary being assigned by the Board.

2. Opening Prayer

Opening prayer was led by Trustee Tanuan.

3. Roll Call & Apologies

Trustees: I. Li Preti (W3)
M. Rizzo (W5)
G. Tanuan (W8)
N. Di Pasquale (W9)

Elementary Parent Members:

John Del Grande (W12), Chair
Joe Fiorante (W3), Vice-Chair
Jennifer Di Francesco (W1)
Natalia Marriott (W2)
Daniel Oliveria (W5/W)
Gus Gikas (W6)
Annalisa Crudo-Perri (W10)
Isabel Starck (W11/S)
Anthony Antinucci (W12)

Secondary Parent Members:

Geoffrey Feldman (SS-West)
Kathleen McGinnis (Central)

Community Members:

Katie Piccinnini (OAPCE-Toronto)

Staff:

J. Wujek (Director Designate)
M. Sequeira (Parent Engagement Coordinator)
E. Szekeres-Milne (Communications)
S. Campbell (Superintendent – Area 3)
B. Leporati (Superintendent – Facilities/Planning)

4. Approval of the Agenda

MOVED by Natalia Marriott, seconded by Annalisa Crudo-Perri, that the draft Agenda as presented be approved.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

5. Declarations of Interest

None declared by Members present.

6. Approval & Signing of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held June 8, 2020 for Public Session

MOVED by Joe Fiorante, seconded by Jennifer Di Francesco, that the minutes of the meeting held June 6, 2020 be approved.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

7. Presentations & Reports from Committee Officials

7a) Joint CPIC-OAPCE Toronto Delegation to The Board of Trustees

The Chair shared the initial return-to-school joint recommendations by CPIC & OAPCE to the Board of Trustees Special Meeting held on Friday August 15, 2020.

The Chair indicated that the Committee would deal with items 16a) and 17a) before hearing delegations.

16. Report from Trustee or Trustee Alternate

16a) Update from Board of Trustee Meeting held Friday August 15, 2020

Trustee Di Pasquale provided a list of motions made and approved by the Board of Trustees at their Special Meeting on Friday August 15th.

17. Parent Member & Community Member Reports

17a) Update from OAPCE Toronto Return-to-School Parent Webinar

Annalisa Crudo-Perri, Executive Director on behalf of OAPCE-Toronto provided a synopsis of the Parent Return-to-School Q&A Webinar held Wednesday August 12th. There were over 700 registrants and TCDSB staff addressed questions posed by the moderators.

The Chair indicated that the Committee would proceed with hearing delegations for a maximum of 5 minutes each.

8. Delegations

8a) G. Signarowski & A. Heitz: CSPC Co-Chairs – Fr John Redmond CSS

Gary Signarowski, CSPC Co-Chair from Father John Redmond CSS addressed the Committee related to secondary school questions and recommendations for back-to-school.

8b) Aaron Babel & Abigail Lorenzo: Parents – Our Lady of Wisdom CS

Mr. Babel, parent from Our Lady of Wisdom CS addressed the Committee related to elementary school & French language questions and recommendations for back-to-school.

8c) Daniela Contreras: Parent – Our Lady of Wisdom CS

Pre-registered delegate was not present and did not address the Committee.

8d) Carolyn Agasild: Parent

Pre-registered delegate was not present and did not address the Committee.

8e) Sandra Mastronardi: Former TCDSB SEAC Member

Sandra Mastronardi, Parent & former SEAC member addressed the Committee related to Special Education questions and recommendations for back-to-school.

12. Program/Policy Consultation (Committee of the Whole)

The Chair indicated that as the time was just after 8PM, item 12c) would be dealt with before items 12a) & 12b)

12c) Q&A Session with Dr. Vinita Dubey, Associate Medical Officer of Health: Toronto Public Health

The Chair welcomed guests:

Nicole Welch, RN of the COVID-19 Liaison Team & Child Health and Development and Healthy Communities Director from Toronto Public Health

And

Dr. Vinita Dubey, Associate Medical Officer of Health, City of Toronto

Members proceeded to ask questions of the guests pertaining to return-to-school protocols, medical advice and COVID-19 impact.

The Chair declared a 5 minute recess.

The meeting continued at 9:10PM with John Del Grande in the Chair.

12a) TCDSB Reopening Action Plan (as of August 10, 2020)

12b) TCDSB Back-to-School Update Report (as of August 14, 2020)

Superintendent Wujek & Campbell gave an update on the TCDSB planning with respect to COVID-19 September return-to-school. Members were invited to ask questions of TCDSB staff present and/or suggest recommendations which the Chair would capture live.

The following recommendations were presented and voted upon.

- i. That the Board reinforce the expectations that parents should be consulted and be contributing members of the local school implementation of protocols and associated decisions.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

- ii. That the Board stop using the word survey and instead call it registration or selection of Parent's learning choice.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

- iii. That the Board immediately publish a “one pager” for both elementary and secondary panels sent to all parents outlining the (as known currently) - expected learning environment and “day in the life of” for return to school in September. That this be a versioned document updated when and if plans are materially changed.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

- iv. That the Board list the only acceptable platforms from a support, security & functionality lens that teachers are to select from for any virtual or online classrooms (distance learning).

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

- v. That the Board as opposed to creating separate virtual schools instead conduct joint in-class and virtual learning through the regular classroom teacher (providing the required technology supports) with the purpose of facilitating continuity, participation & sense of community.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

In Favour

Natalia Marriott
John Del Grande

Opposed

Jennifer Di Francesco
Joe Fiorante
Daniel Oliveria
Annalisa Crudo-Perri
Isabel Starck

Anthony Antinucci
Kathleen McGinnis
Katie Piccininni

FAILED

Committee Members suggested an alternative recommendation for v):

That the Board endeavor to strengthen the collaboration, link and learning continuity between virtual and in-class environments.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

That the Board publicly publish all protocols/guidelines created for schools, staff etc.. as it relates to the return-to-school COVID plan.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

- vi. That the September CPIC meeting focus on parent engagement opportunities & guidance under COVID-19 and that parent council (CSPC) virtual elections continue to be planned.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

20. Adjournment

MOVED by Isabel Starck, seconded by Natalia Marriott that the meeting be adjourned.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

The Meeting adjourned at 11:00 PM



CPIC SECRETARY



CPIC CHAIR