

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

**PUBLIC SESSION**

E-MEETING VIA ZOOM

**HELD MONDAY DECEMBER 14, 2020**

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the Meeting to Order at 7:14PM.

YouTube live feed was activated on the Toronto CPIC channel.

Minutes are being captured by the Recording Secretary.

**2. Opening Prayer**

Opening prayer was led by Chair Joe Fiorante and the Land  
Acknowledgement was led by Trustee Di Pasquale.

**3. Roll Call & Apologies**

**Trustees:** Garry Tanuan (W8)  
Norm Di Pasquale (W9)

**Elementary Parent Members:**

Joe Fiorante (W3), Chair  
Jennifer Di Francesco (W1)  
A.J. Hepburn (W4)  
Santhosh Peter Valavi (W5/E)  
Gus Gikas (W6)  
Dan Kajioka (W7)  
Rose-Marie Fraser (W8/E)  
Charmaine von Vulte (W8/W)

Ivana Calabria-Pantaleo (W10)  
Isabel Starck (W11/S)  
Anthony Antonucci (W12)

**Secondary Parent Members:**

Milva Romano (West)  
Annalisa Crudo-Perri (Central)

**Community Members:**

Katie Piccininni (OAPCE – Toronto)  
Alison Canning (Let's Get Together)  
Emmy Milne (The Angel Foundation for Learning)

**Staff:** John Wujek (Director Designate)  
Manuela Sequeira (Parent Engagement Coordinator)  
Sarah Pellegrini (Recording Secretary)

**Guests:** Derek Chen, Superintendent of Equity, Indigenous Education  
and Community Relations  
Lavinia Latham, Human Rights and Equity Advisor

Daniel Oliveira (W5) sent his regrets.

Jennifer Traer (W9) and Ben Xavier (W11/N) were absent.

**4. Approval of the Agenda**

MOVED by Annalisa Crudo-Perri, seconded by Jennifer Di Francesco, that the Agenda, as amended to include the Addendum and the addition of Item 17b) YouTube live feed on the Toronto CPIC channel, be approved.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Katie Piccininni, that Item 12g) In-Class and Virtual Transfers be reordered to after Item 12b) Presentation: Overview of Toronto Catholic District School

Board (TCDSB) Human Rights and Equity Advisor (HREA) Office and Equity Initiatives – Derek Chen and Lavinia Latham.

By Unanimous consent, the AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

By Unanimous consent, the Motion as amended was declared

CARRIED

**5. Declarations of Interest**

None declared by Members present.

**6. Approval & Signing of the Minutes**

MOVED by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Ivana Calabria-Pantaleo, that the November 9, 2020 Inaugural Meeting Minutes, be approved with the following amendments:

Jessica Dalinda be noted as the Communications Representative upon her return in March 2021, and to correct a typo on page 3 (OAPCE).

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**7. Presentations and Reports from Committee Officials**

MOVED by Gus Gikas, seconded by A.J. Hepburn, that Item 7a) be adopted as follows:

**7a) Chair – Monthly Report** received.

The Chair shared activity & advocacy conducted on behalf of CPIC, including an additional A.33 meeting that was held and not listed in the report.

At the next CPIC meeting, the topic of CPIC communication and awareness will be discussed.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Isabel Starck, that Item 7b) be adopted as follows:

**7b) Treasurer – Financial Report as of November 30, 2020** received.

The Treasurer reviewed the report and noted that John Del Grande purchased a Zoom account on behalf of CPIC prior to the TCDSB providing access.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**9. Unfinished Business and Matters Rising Out of Minutes**

MOVED by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Gus Gikas, that Item 9a) be adopted as follows:

**9a) CPIC Sub-Committee Membership List** received.

An overview of the current sub-committees was provided. If any member is interested in joining any of the sub-committees, they are to contact Joe Fiorante.

John Yan and Emmy Milne will alternate as The Angel Foundation for Learning member representative.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

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

MOVED by Isabel Starck, seconded by Rose-Marie Fraser, that Item 12a) be adopted as follows:

**12a) Presentation: Overview of Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) Human Rights and Equity Advisor (HREA) Office and Equity Initiatives – Derek Chen and Lavinia Latham received.**

Derek Chen and Lavinia Latham presented on the TCDSB Equity Action Plan, which included their roles, what is currently being completed by the TCDSB and different equity event involvement opportunities.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Katie Piccininni, seconded by Jennifer Di Francesco, that Item 12g) be adopted as follows:

**12g) In-Class and Virtual Transfers** that a joint letter be written on behalf of Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) and CPIC to

the Board of Trustees regarding the lack of parent consultation and the decision made regarding in-class and virtual transfers.

Trustees Tanuan and Di Pasquale provided an update on the In-Class and Virtual Transfers at TCDSB. Decisions made by the Board were based on the safety of students and staff and continuity of learning. CPIC members voiced their concern that there should have been a survey or parental input included in any decisions being made.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Santhosh Peter Valavi, that Item 12b) be adopted as follows:

**12b) CSPC Fundraising in Response to COVID-19 Enhancements** received.

Superintendent Wujek reviewed the policy regarding fundraising and how funds can be spent.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Rose-Marie Fraser, that Item 12c) be adopted as follows:

**12c) Toronto Catholic District School Board Catholic School Parent Council By-Law Template Update** received.

Superintendent Wujek presented the draft document with members.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Annalisa Crudo-Perri, that Item 12d) be adopted as follows:

- 12d) Dates and Topics of Parent In-Services** that an ad-hoc sub-committee regarding workshops be created.

Katie Piccininni, Rose-Marie Fraser, Jennifer Di Francesco, Isabel Starck and Santhosh Peter Valavi self-nominated to be members of the ad-hoc sub-committee.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Santhosh Peter Valavi, seconded by Ivana Calabria-Pantaleo, that Item 12e) be adopted as follows:

- 12e) Policy S.P.03 – Age Appropriate Placement: Curriculum and Program Supports** that an ad-hoc sub-committee regarding curriculum and program supports be created.

Ivana Calabria-Pantaleo, Milva Romano and Anthony Antinucci self-nominated to be members of the ad-hoc sub-committee.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Isabel Starck, seconded by Ivana Calabra-Pantaleo, that Item 12f) be adopted as follows:

- 12f) Policy S.P.05 – International Languages Elementary (ILE) – Draft Policy** that an ad-hoc sub-committee regarding International Languages Elementary be created.

Isabel Starck, A.J. Hepburn, Santhosh Peter Valavi and Alison Canning self-nominated to be members of the ad-hoc sub-committee.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

## **15. Reports from TCDSB Board Officials**

MOVED by Ivana Calabria-Pantaleo, seconded by Gus Gikas, that Item 15a) be adopted as follows:

- 15a) Director-Designate for CPIC – John Wujek – Monthly Update** received.

Superintendent Wujek thanked Trustees Tanuan and Di Pasquale for their continued support, as they will remain the CPIC Board Representatives. He also reviewed the details of the CPIC elections and results.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED



MOVED by Ivana Calabria-Pantaleo, seconded by Jennifer Di Francesco, that Item 15b) be adopted as follows:

**15b) Metrics Report on the Catholic School Parent Council, Policy S.10, 2019-2020** received.

Superintendent Wujek presented this report at the December Student Achievement meeting. Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grants were not all used due to COVID-19.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Rose-Marie Fraser, that Item 15c) be adopted as follows:

**15c) Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grants** that an ad-hoc sub-committee be created to collaborate with Staff and present any recommendations by the January 2021 CPIC meeting.

Superintendent Wujek addressed that next steps and any additional guidance would likely be provided by the January meeting. Joe Fiorante researched what other Parent Involvement Committees (PICs) are doing for PRO Grants.

Charmaine von Vulte, Rose-Marie Fraser and Jennifer Di Francesco self-nominated to be members of the ad-hoc sub-committee.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Alison Canning, seconded by Ivana Calabria-Pantaleo, that Item 15d) be adopted as follows:

**15d) Policy Review A.33 – Concerns from Parents Update** received.

Superintendent Wujek thanked all sub-committee members for their work. They are currently working with Derek Chen and Lavinia Latham on an equity component.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**16. Reports from Trustee or Trustee Alternate**

MOVED by Jennifer Di Francesco, seconded by Gus Gikas, that Item 16a) be adopted as follows:

**16a) Verbal Update – Garry Tanuan, Trustee and Norm Di Pasquale, Trustee Alternate** received.

Trustee Tanuan thanked the Chair and all members for their continued support, work and consultation. He informed the committee that the Policy S.10 was presented to the Board of Trustees, but has not yet been dealt with.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**17. Parent Member and Community Member Reports**

MOVED by Annalisa Crudo-Perri, seconded by Gus Gikas, that Item 17a) be adopted as follows:

**17a) Report from Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) received.**

Katie Piccininni addressed the committee to update them on the OAPCE Commissioning and Awards Night and that Annalisa Crudo-Perri and Jana Seymour presented the OAPCE Annual Report to the Board of Trustees at the December 2020 meeting.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**20. Adjournment**

MOVED by Annalisa Crudo-Perri, seconded by Isabel Starck that the meeting be adjourned.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

The Meeting adjourned at 10:41 PM

**ITEMS NOT DEALT WITH**

17b) YouTube live feed on the Toronto CPIC channel

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CPIC CHAIR