

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 REGULAR VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE PUBLIC SESSION

HELD WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2, 2020

PRESENT:

Trustees: N. Crawford – In Person
D. Di Giorgio
A. Kennedy

**External
Members:** George Wedge, Chair
Melanie Battaglia, Vice-Chair
G. Feldman
Lori Mastrogiuseppe
Tyler Munro
Deborah Nightingale
H. Quinn
G. Webster

Staff: D. Koenig
Paul De Cock
M. Meehan
V. Cocco
M. Gendron
L. Maselli-Jackman
J. Mirabella
P. Stachiw

S. Hinds-Barnett, Acting Recording Secretary

3. Secretary calls the Meeting to Order

The Secretary, Superintendent Maria Meehan, called the meeting to order.

4. Roll Call & Apologies

Mary Pugh and Wendy Layton were absent.

5. Approval of the Agenda

MOVED by Deborah Nightingale, seconded by George Wedge, that the Agenda, as amended to include Item 14b) Resignation of Hilary Quinn, representative of Learning Disabilities Association of Toronto District (Verbal), be approved.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

6. Election of Chair

The Secretary called for nominations for the position of Chair of the SEAC 2020-2021.

MOVED by Nancy Crawford, seconded by Tyler Munro, that the name of George Wedge be placed in nomination.

There was unanimous consent.

George Wedge accepted.

There were no further nominations.

George Wedge was acclaimed Chair of the SEAC for 2020 - 2021.

George Wedge assumed the Chair.

7. Election of Vice-Chair

George Wedge called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the SEAC 2020-2021.

MOVED by Deborah Nightingale, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that the name of Melanie Battaglia be placed in nomination.

There was unanimous consent.

Melanie Battaglia accepted.

There were no further nominations.

Melanie Battaglia was acclaimed Vice-Chair of the SEAC for 2020 - 2021.

8. Declarations of Interest

Trustee Kennedy declared an interest in Item 12a) 2020-2021 Budget Estimates – Overall and Instructional – Paul De Cock, Comptroller of Business Services.

Trustee Kennedy indicated that she has family members who are employees of the Board and that she would not participate in discussions nor vote on the Item.

9. Approval and Signing of the Minutes

MOVED by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Melanie Battaglia, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held November 18, 2020 be approved.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

11. Annual Calendar Items

MOVED by Nancy Crawford, seconded by Geoffrey Feldman, that Item 11a) be adopted as follows:

- 11a) Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Annual Calendar (Draft) as of December 2, 2020** received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Kennedy recused herself from Zoom at 7:26 p.m. due to a Declaration of Interest in Item 12a), as previously indicated.

12) Presentations

MOVED by Nancy Crawford, seconded by Deborah Nightingale, that Item 12a) be adopted as follows:

- 12a) 2020-21 Budget Estimates - Overall and Instructional - Paul De Cock, Comptroller of Business Services** received.

Time for business expired.

The Chair called for a vote for a 15-minute extension, as per Article 12.6, to complete the presentation.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Lori Mastrogiuseppe, that the Question be called.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion to call the Question was declared

LOST

Time for business expired.

The Chair called for a vote for a 15-minute extension, as per Article 12.6, to complete the debate on the Item.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Melanie Battaglia, seconded by Tyler Munro, that a Special Education Specific-Funding Report be brought to SEAC.

On the Vote being taken, the AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

On the Vote being taken, the Motion, as amended was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Kennedy returned to the Zoom meeting room at 8:42 p.m.

14) Reports of Officials for Information by the Board/Other Committees

MOVED by Deborah Nightingale, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that Item 14a) be adopted as follows:

14a) Special Education Superintendent Update – December 2020 received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by George Wedge, that Item 14b) be adopted as follows:

14b) Resignation of Hilary Quinn, representative of Learning Disabilities Association of Toronto District (Verbal) received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

20. Inquiries and Miscellaneous

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that the Agenda be reopened to facilitate an Inquiry.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Deborah Nightingale, seconded by Lori Mastrogiuseppe, that Item 20a) be adopted as follows:

- 20a) From Deborah Nightingale regarding Graduation Rates for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020** received and referred to staff.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

21. Pending List

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Melanie Battaglia, that Item 21a) be adopted as follows:

- 21a) Pending List as at December 2, 2020** received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

22. Adjournment

MOVED by Tyler Munro, seconded by Lori Mastrogiuseppe, that the meeting be adjourned.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

SECRETARY

CHAIR