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To: Regular Board: February 18, 2021

From: Daniel Di Giorgio, Trustee Ward 10

Subject: Notice of Motion – 2020/2021 Block Budget Increases (Equity Distribution)

MOVED BY: Daniel Di Giorgio, Toronto Catholic District School Board

WHEREAS: I raised concerns with various staff members in the past regarding potential irregularities and/or errors including but not limited to incorrect classification of schools as EPAN schools and questionable dollar allocations in the previous 2019/2020 block budget increase equity distribution.

WHEREAS: These concerns remained largely unaddressed until recently when discussions with staff in relation to a motion passed by the Board in December 2020 reinstating this initiative for the 2020/2021 school year have resulted in renewed discussions surrounding this topic and efforts have been made to revise the list, addressing many errors which previously existed.

WHEREAS: Staff still has not fully implemented the board motion as outlined and work remains to conform fully with the provisions outlined in the Board motion.

WHEREAS: I am often told that the publication of this type of data, although it is derived from publicly available data, stigmatizes certain school communities but I personally believe that the potential damage which can unfold for certain school communities when data of this nature is not made available for public scrutiny is a more significant concern.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: in the interest of transparency and recognizing these are public funds, the 2019/2020 block budget equity distributions and the 2020/2021 block budget equity distributions be included in a report to Board highlighting changes made and that staff report back to board on ways to rectify any prior errors ensuring those communities which were potentially mistreated receive the funds they deserve.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: any distribution of these types of funds across the system be made available in public reports moving forward.

**Daniel Di Giorgio,
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