

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 APRIL 21, 2021

PRESENT:

Trustees:

N. Crawford
D. Di Giorgio
A. Kennedy

Non-Voting Trustees: I. Li Preti
M. Rizzo

External Members: George Wedge, Chair – In Person
Geoffrey Feldman
Lori Mastrogiuseppe
Tyler Munro
Deborah Nightingale
Mary Pugh
Wendy Layton

Staff:

D. Koenig
S. Camacho
D. Chen
V. Cocco
P. de Cock
A. Della Mora
B. Doan
M. Gendron
G. Iuliano Marrello
R. Macchia
M. Meehan

J. Mirabella
D. Reid
P. Stachiw

S. Hinds-Barnett, Acting Recording Secretary

3. Roll Call & Apologies

Apologies were extended on behalf of Melanie Battaglia, Lisa McMahon and Glenn Webster.

4. Approval of the Agenda

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that the Agenda be approved.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

6. Declarations of Interest

Trustee Kennedy declared an interest in Item 9b) 2021-2022 Budget Assumptions and Pressures – Steve Camacho, Acting Chief Financial Officer, as she has family members who are employees of the Board.

Trustee Kennedy indicated that she would not vote nor participate in discussions regarding that Item.

Trustee Di Giorgio joined the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

7. Approval and Signing of the Minutes

MOVED by Deborah Nightingale, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that the Minutes of the Meeting held March 24, 2021 be approved with the following amendments:

- 1) Page 4, Item 9b) - Delete *Provincial Information* and insert *The Board's Consultation Process, Early Identification Procedures and Intervention Strategies, Specialized Health Support Services in School Settings and Parent Guide to Special Education* after *Group*.
- 2) Page 4, Item 16a) – Insert *Roles and Responsibilities* after *Provincial Information*
- 3) Page 5 - Delete Item 12c) which was listed twice; and
- 4) Page 6, Item 17a – Include *from* after *Communication*.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

9. Presentations

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Tyler Munro, that Item 9a) be adopted as follows:

- 9a) **De-Streamed Grade 9 Mathematics For September 2021- Superintendents Gina Iuliano Marrello, Student Success; Derek Chen, Equity, Diversity, Indigenous Education & Community Relations; Ryan Peterson, Area 8-ELEM and Brandy Doan, Research Associate** received.

Trustee Rizzo joined the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Trustee Li Preti joined the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Kennedy recused herself from the virtual room at 8:28 p.m. due to a Declaration of Interest in Item 9b) below, as earlier indicated.

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Mary Pugh, that Item 9b) be adopted as follows:

- 9b) 2021-2022 Budget Assumptions and Pressures - Steve Camacho, Acting Chief Financial Officer** received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

10. Annual Calendar

Trustee Kennedy returned to the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Deborah Nightingale, that Item 10a) be adopted as follows:

- 10a) Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Annual Calendar (Draft) as of April 21, 2021** received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Deborah Nightingale, that Item 10b) be adopted as follows:

- 10b) Special Education Plan Review - Input from Special Education Advisory Committee Informal Working Group (Staff Development, Educational and Other Assessments, Coordination of Services with other Ministries or Agencies and Protocol for Partnerships with External Agencies for provision of services by Regulated Health Professionals, Regulated Social Services Professionals, and Paraprofessionals (PPM 149) posted on School Board's website)** received and referred to Staff the input from the Special Education Plan Informal Working Group on the sections Staff Development, Educational and Other Assessments, Coordination of Services with Other Ministries and Agencies, and Protocol for Partnership with External Agencies and a suggested revision priority listing; and

That SEAC recommend to Board that a policy be developed to meet the requirements of PPM 149 Programs and Services for Special Education needs that are delivered by external agencies and by the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB).

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that Item 10c) be adopted as follows:

10c) Special Education Student Count as of March 31, 2021 received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Di Giorgio, seconded by Tyler Munro, that Item 10d) be adopted as follows:

10d) Special Education Programs for 2021-2022 Update (Verbal) - Maria Meehan, Superintendent of Special Services received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

The Chair declared a 10-minute recess.

PRESENT: (following recess)

Trustees: N. Crawford
D. Di Giorgio
A. Kennedy

External Members: George Wedge, Chair – In Person
Geoffrey Feldman
Tyler Munro
Deborah Nightingale
Wendy Layton

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

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Di Giorgio, that Item 12a) be adopted as follows:

12a) Special Education Superintendent Update – April 2021 received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that Item 12b) be adopted as follows:

12b) Graduation Statistics for Students with Special Education Needs 2019-2020 received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

14. Consent and Review

The Chair reviewed the Order page and the following Item was held:

- 16a) Delegation from Deborah Nightingale regarding Special Education: Completion of all Tests/Assessments, Identification, Placement and Review Committees (IPRC) and Placement Offers - Deborah Nightingale

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Kennedy that the Item not held be received.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

ITEM NOT HELD AS CAPTURED IN ABOVE MOTION

- 20a) Pending List as at April 21, 2021

16. Matters Referred/Deferred to the Committee by the Board and Other Committees

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

- 16a) Delegation from Deborah Nightingale regarding Special Education: Completion of all Tests/Assessments, Identification, Placement and Review Committees (IPRC) and Placement Offers received.**

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

21. Adjournment

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that the meeting be adjourned.

On the Vote being taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

SECRETARY

CHAIR