

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 MEETING OF THE GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE PUBLIC SESSION

HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022

PRESENT:

Trustees:

G. Tanuan, Chair
N. Crawford, Vice-Chair – Virtual
M. Del Grande - Virtual
A. Kennedy, Ex-Officio, Virtual
I. Li Preti - Virtual

Non-Voting Trustee: M. Rizzo - Virtual

Staff:

B. Browne
C. Fernandes
M. Caccamo
J. Wujek

S. Harris, Recording Secretary
S. Hinds-Barnett, Assistant Recording Secretary

External Guests:

M. Eldridge, External Legal Counsel (on behalf of Paul Matthews)
A. Robertson, Parliamentarian

4. Roll Call and Apologies

An apology was extended on behalf of Trustee D'Amico.

5. Approval of the Agenda

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

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

6. Declarations of Interest

There were none.

7. Approval and Signing of the Minutes

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Li Preti, that the Minutes of the Meeting held February 1, 2022 be approved.

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

13. Staff Reports

MOVED by Trustee Del Grande, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that Item 13a) be adopted as follows:

13a) Update to Opening and Closing Exercises Policy S.S.02 received.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Del Grande:

1. That all parents of students registering to attend our schools be required to sign an acknowledgement of our expected Catholic practices;
2. That we do not allow students at the elementary level to opt out nor Catholic students at the secondary level; and
3. That the opening exercise of O Canada be sung a cappella.

There was no seconder.

Trustee Rizzo joined the meeting virtually at 7:26 pm.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Crawford that the addition of the Land Acknowledgement after O Canada in the Policy Statement, page 15, and a new regulation outlining the order for public prayer, singing of O Canada and the Land Acknowledgement be referred to Staff.

There was no seconder.

Trustee Kennedy joined the meeting virtually at 7:41 pm.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that *scriptural* be replaced with *scripture*, Regulation 3, page 15.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Del Grande
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Li Preti, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that the Governance and Policy Committee recommend to Board that the revised Policy on Opening and Closing Exercises Policy S.S.02 provided in Report Appendix A, and the accompanying Forms in Appendices A and B of the Policy, be adopted.

Results of the Vote taken on the AMENDMENT, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

Del Grande

The AMENDMENT was declared

CARRIED

Results of the Vote taken on the Motion, as amended, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

Del Grande

The Motion, as amended, was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Li Preti, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that Item 13b) be adopted as follows:

- 13b) Policy A.16 Emergency School Closure** that the Governance and Policy Committee recommend to Board that the revised Policy A.16 Emergency School Closure provided in Report Appendix A, be adopted.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Del Grande
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Li Preti, that Item 13c) be adopted as follows:

- 13c) Update to Meta Policy M.01** that the Governance and Policy Committee recommend to Board that the revised Meta Policy M.01 provided in Report Appendix A be adopted.

Trustee Tanuan relinquished the Chair to Trustee Crawford.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Del Grande
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Tanuan reassumed the Chair.

MOVED by Trustee Li Preti, seconded by Trustee Kennedy, that Item 13d) be adopted as follows:

- 13d) Review of Policy S. P. 12 – Religious Education Course Requirements for Secondary Pupils** that the Governance and Policy Committee recommend to Board that the revised Policy Religious Education Course Requirements for Secondary Pupils S. P.12 provided in Report Appendix A be adopted.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Kennedy:

- a) That *Catholic faith and Catholic Church teaching*, be inserted after *infuse*, Purpose, line 4, page 50;

- b) That *and to create Catholic community in every school* be inserted after *disciplines*, Purpose, line 5, page 50;
- c) That *all* be inserted before *pupils*, Scope and Responsibility, line 1, page 50;
- d) That *Catholic* be inserted before *community organizations* Policy, line 6, page 51;
- e) That *appropriate Catholic authorities* be replaced with *Archbishop of Toronto and the Institute for Catholic Education (ICE)* Regulation 1, page 51; and
- f) That Regulation 3, page 51, be replaced with specific language.

MOVED by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that the policy be referred back to Staff for consideration of the above amendments.

Results of the Vote taken on Referral, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Del Grande
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

The Motion to Refer was declared

CARRIED

16. Updating of Pending List

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Li Preti, that Items 16a) and 16b) be adopted as follows:

16a) Monthly Pending List received; and

16b) Annual Policy Priority Schedule received.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Del Grande
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Li Preti, that the meeting resolve into PRIVATE Session.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Del Grande
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Following PRIVATE Session, the meeting continued with Trustee Tanuan in the Chair and no change to the attendance list.

Report from PRIVATE Session

MOVED by Trustee Crawford, seconded by Trustee Del Grande, that the following report be received:

In PRIVATE Session, approved Minutes of Meetings held January 11, 2022 and February 1, 2022.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Del Grande
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

17. Adjournment

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

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

In Favour

Opposed

Trustees Crawford
Del Grande
Kennedy
Li Preti
Tanuan

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

SECRETARY

CHAIR