

## **ARTICLE XVII – ELECTION OF PARENT MEMBERS**

**17.0** To be consistent with [Ontario Education Act Regulation 612/00 s(34)]

### **17.1 Eligible Voters**

17.1.1 The CSPC Chair of each school in the designated Ward or Ward Cluster of Schools shall be the only eligible voter for the position of Ward Parent Members.

17.1.2 The official CSPC Chair of each school shall be those kept by the designated Staff Coordinator/Liaison for Parent Engagement.

17.1.3 Each attending CSPC Chair will be entitled to one (1) vote.

17.1.4 If a CSPC has Co-Chairs only one (1) person will be entitled to cast a vote.

17.1.5 There shall be no other substitute voters.

17.1.6 There shall be no proxies.

### **17.2 Election Timelines: Parent Ward or Ward Cluster of Schools Representatives**

17.2.1 Shall be held between October 15<sup>th</sup> and October 30<sup>th</sup> of each school year.

17.2.2 The specific date, time, and location shall be determined by the Director or designate and the Chair/Vice-Chair of the Committee.

17.2.3 Shall be held at a TCDSB school or TCDSB owned property within the applicable Ward or Ward Cluster of Schools or alternatively may be held via an E-Meeting.

17.2.4 Elections will be scheduled where practical, to be accompanied by a CSPC Chair training session, TCDSB event or a Trustee Ward meeting.

### **17.3 Nomination of Parent Candidates for inclusion on Ballot**

17.3.1 Shall be filled out on the official designated CPIC Nomination Form.

17.3.2 Shall be submitted at least ten (10) calendar days before the election date.

### **17.4 Nomination of Parent Candidates – Election Day**

17.4.1 Shall only be permitted if there are no pre-nominated candidates.

17.4.2 Shall only be one (1) of the CSPC Chairs present at the voting Meeting.

### **17.5 Scrutineers**

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16.5.1 Shall be a designated TCDSB Superintendent or Associate Director of Education.

### **17.6 Acclamation**

17.6.1 If there is only one (1) nominated and verified candidate, that candidate shall be acclaimed and there shall be no need for an election.

### **17.7 Election Procedures**

17.7.1 Ballot order shall be determined by alphabetical last name.

17.7.2 Names shall appear on the ballot as submitted on the CPIC Nomination Form.

17.7.3 Eligible voting members shall be determined by those eligible electors as of official call of the starting of the election portion of the Meeting.

17.7.4 Nominated Parent candidates shall be permitted up to two (2) minutes for stating their interest in the position and any associated qualifications.

17.7.5 Shall be by secret ballot.

17.7.6 A ballot is considered spoiled if more than one (1) candidate is selected or if it is no longer anonymous.

17.7.7 Shall be considered based on the majority vote of voters.

17.7.8 If there is a tie, the winner shall be decided by lot.

17.7.9 The list of candidates and the vote result will be kept on record for six (6) months.

### **17.8 Public Results**

17.8.1 All individuals standing for election will be notified if possible of the results before a public notice is made.

17.8.2 Only the names of the successful candidate shall be made public.

17.8.3 Public results should be made within five (5) calendar days of the election.

### **17.9 Appeals**

17.9.1 Appeals related to the election process or the results must be made within forty-eight (48) hours of the of the election Meeting.

17.9.2 Appeals if they cannot be resolved by the local Superintendent will be jointly adjudicated by the Director and Chair or Vice-Chair of CPIC.