Advisory Committees – Interim Report – Appendix A

Terms of Reference Template for Board Advisory and Special Advisory Committees

PREAMBLE

- Statement of vision of the advisory committee
- Statement made in context in the wider vision of education of the TCDSB
- Outline of resource documents associated the vision and purpose of the advisory committee

MANDATE & OBJECTIVES

- Statement of advisory committee's mandate
- List of goals and objectives

METHOD OF REPORTING AND ADVISING BOARD

- Consideration of minutes and motions format and public record
- Consideration of staff role in advising Board
- Consideration of Annual Report

RESOURCES TO BE PROVIDED

 Consideration of staff positionality and technical resources beneficial to the advisory committee's work

ELECTION OF LEADERSHIP

• Process and term length for Chair

COMPOSITION AND MEMBERSHIP

- Scope of roles and quantity of community members appropriate for membership
- Scope of roles and quantity of staff and trustee membership
- Voting rights
- Considerations for membership criteria, approval mechanism

QUORUM

• Defined for this advisory committee

TERMS

- Qualifications for membership
- Application form
- Selection vetting process for members
- Term of membership

MEETINGS

- Number of meetings
- AGM
- Rules of minimum attendance
- Minutes format, approval, posting
- Public, guest attendance, observers

AGENDA

- Format Order
- Notice
- Approval

RULES OF ORDER

VOTING

• Considerations of members

SUB-COMMITTEES

• Consideration of function, membership, reporting

GLOSSARY

• Consideration of the listing of terms commonly associated with this advisory committee