

# REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE ON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY POLICY (S.A. 03)

For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.' Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

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September 9, 2015	October 13, 2015	October 22, 2015
Ann Andrachuk, Chair, Governance and Policy Committee		
Caitlin Kavanagh, Manager, Employee Relations		

#### **RECOMMENDATION REPORT**

#### Vision:

At Toronto Catholic we transform the world through witness, faith, innovation and action.

#### Mission:

The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community rooted in the love of Christ. We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge and to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.



### Members of the Committee:

Ann Andrachuk, Chair Angela Kennedy, Vice Chair Jo-Ann Davis, Trustee Ward 9 Maria Rizzo, Trustee Ward 5 Garry Tanuan, Trustee Ward 8 Michael Del Grande, Ex-Officio Nancy Crawford, Ex-Officio

## A. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Board rescind Elementary School Attendance Boundary Policy (S.A.03).
- 2. That the Board approve the revised policy, Elementary School Attendance Boundary Review Policy (S.A.03), with the following amendments:
  - a. That the 30 day public notice be reinstated to ensure the needs of the community are heard.
  - b. That there can be more than one meeting.
  - c. That the public could attend the meeting.

## **B.** ORIGIN

The objective of the revision of the Elementary School Attendance Boundary Policy is to shorten and simplify the document, making it easier to understand, as well as to reduce the time required to implement the Policy and complete a boundary review.

## C. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Governance and Policy Committee reviewed the policy at the October 13, 2015 committee meeting. The streamlined and expedited approach was well received. Trustees wanted to ensure that the policy clarified that there can be more than one meeting held. To address concerns of notice to the public regarding the boundary review, the 30 day public notice requirement was recommended to be reinstated. A recommendation was made to clarify that the public could attend the meeting. The policy as amended was passed unanimously.

## **D.** APPENDICES

- 1. Appendix A: Revised Elementary School Attendance Boundary Review Policy (S.A.03)
- 2. Appendix B: Side-by-side view of current policy and revised policy (*recommended amendments shaded*)
- 3. Appendix C: Report to Governance Committee on Elementary School Attendance Boundary Policy S.A.03

### E. MOTIONS

- 1. That the Board rescind S.A.03 Elementary School Attendance Boundary Policy.
- 2. That the Board approve the revised policy, S.A. 03 Elementary School Attendance Boundary Review Policy.

#### The Motion carried as amended.