

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE  
PUBLIC SESSION**

**HELD MONDAY APRIL 07, 2025**

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair, Jennifer Di Francesco called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**2. Opening Prayer**

The Opening Prayer was led by Jennifer Di Francesco.

**2.a Land Acknowledgement**

The Land Acknowledgement was led by Jennifer Di Francesco.

**3. Roll Call & Apologies**

**Trustees:** Nancy Crawford (W12)  
Frank D'Amico (W6)

**Elementary Parent Members:** Jennifer Di Francesco (W1) – Virtual  
Gabriela Berloni (W2) – Virtual  
Tony Orangis (W3) – Virtual  
Agata Edwards (W4) – Virtual  
Franco Cozza (W5E)  
Andreia Maia (W6)  
Richelle De Belchior (W8/E) – Virtual  
Jacinda Liburd (W8/W) – Virtual  
Michael Lamanna (W11/S)  
Karolina Krystyniak (W12)

**Secondary** Gus Gikas (Central)

**Parent Members:** Maureen Colford (East)

**Community Members:** None

**Staff:** Ryan Peterson (Director Designate)  
Joe Fiorante (Financial Services)  
Marco Ouji (Communications)

S. Adaikpoh, Acting Recording Secretary

Apologies were extended on behalf of Nora Biagioni da Costa and Francesca Ancona. Madeleine Juanche, Dan Kajioka and Ivonne Marynovych were absent.

#### **4. Approval of the Agenda**

MOVED by Gabriela Berloni, seconded by Gus Gikas, that the Agenda, as amended to add Item 18a) Communication from Trustee de Domenico, Chair of Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) and Trustee Ward 2 to Mayor Chow and Councillor Holyday on Revise of Snow Clearing Protocol, be approved.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

#### **5. Declarations of Interest**

There were none.

#### **6. Approval and Signing of the Minutes of the Meeting held February 24, 2025**

MOVED by Gabriela Berloni, seconded by Agata Edwards, that the Minutes of

the Meeting held February 24, 2025 be approved.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**7. Presentations and Reports from Committee Officers**

MOVED by Andreia Maia, seconded by Gus Gikas, that Item 7a) be adopted as follows:

**7a) Chair's Report - April 2025 received**

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Gabriela Berloni, seconded by Andreia Maia, that Item 7b) be adopted as follows:

**7b) Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Grant and Expenditure Summary as of March 31st, 2025 - Gus Gikas, Treasurer of Catholic Parent Involvement Committee received.**

The balance is \$76,146.93 and PIC and PRO Grant funds are \$1500.00.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Gus Gikas, seconded by Jacinda Liburd, that Item 7c) be adopted as follows:

- 7c) **2025-2026 Budget Framework - Ryan Putnam, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer** received.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Jacinda Liburd, seconded by Gus Gikas, that Item 7d) be adopted as follows:

- 7d) **School Finance Support Team Updates - Weronika Dec, Senior Manager, School Finance Support Team** received.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Jacinda Liburd, seconded by Gabriela Berloni, that Item 7e) be adopted as follows:

- 7e) **Update on Catholic School Parent Councils (CSPC) Financial Software - Joe Fiorante, Supervisor, CSPC Reporting** received.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

## 10 Notices of Motion

MOVED by Gus Gikas,, seconded by Tony Orangis, that Item 10a) be adopted as follows:

### 10a) **From Gus Gikas, Treasurer of Catholic Parent Involvement Committee and representative of Central Wards 5,6,9 and 10, regarding CPIC Volunteer of the Year Award Plaques and Nameplates:**

Whereas: The CPIC Volunteer of the Year Award requires the purchase of initial plaques and nameplates for every school in the TCDSB to recognize the volunteers chosen by each school.

Whereas: There is a cost associated with the purchase of the plaques and nameplates, which requires a vote by the committee.

Whereas: There will also be a yearly cost associated with buying the nameplates for the schools that choose a volunteer for the year.

Whereas: National Volunteer Month is in April. It is a time to celebrate and recognize the contributions of volunteers. It is an opportunity to join the impact of volunteerism and encourage more people to get involved in their communities. This is a great month to reaffirm our commitment to giving back.

Whereas: CPIC is fulfilling its mandate of encouraging parent engagement by creating interest among CSPCs and parents in the schools with the Volunteer of the Year Awards.

Be It Resolved That: CPIC approve up to \$12,000 to cover the cost of the CPIC Volunteer Parent of the Year Award Plaques and Nameplates.

Be It Resolved That: CPIC purchases the initial plaques and nameplates for all the schools in the TCDSB.

Be It Resolved That: CPIC purchases the nameplates every year for those schools that participate.

Results of the Vote taken, as follows:

**In Favour**

**Opposed**

Di Francesco  
Berloni  
Orangis  
Edwards  
Cozza  
Maia  
De Belchior  
Liburd  
Lamanna  
Krystyniak  
Gikas  
Colford

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

The committee consented to the purchase of CPIC Volunteer Parent of the Year Award Plaques in the design of Plaques #5 on Agenda page 41.

**11. Communications Received**

MOVED by Agata Edwards seconded by Michael Lamanna, that Item 11a) be adopted as follows:

**11a) Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE) Report and Letter to Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) received**

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Jacinda Liburd, seconded by Andreia Maia a, that Item 11b) be

adopted as follows:

- 11b) From Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) Parent regarding Your Ticket for the Lift Jesus Higher Event - A Special Gift from Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) received**

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**15. Reports from TCDSB Board Officials**

MOVED by Gabriela Berloni, seconded by Gus Gikas that Item 15a) be adopted as follows:

- 15a) Update (Verbal) - Ryan Peterson, Director - Designate for Catholic Parent Involvement Committee received.**

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**16. Reports from Trustee or Trustee Alternate**

MOVED by Gabriela Berloni, seconded by Jacinda Liburd that Item 16a) be adopted as follows:

- 16a) Update (Verbal)- Nancy Crawford, Trustee and Frank D'Amico, Trustee Alternative received.**

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

**18. Update from the Board on Prior CPIC Resolutions Recommended**

- 18a) Communication from Trustee de Domenico, Chair of Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) and Trustee Ward 2 to Mayor Chow and Councillor Holyday on Revise of Snow Clearing Protocol. Item withdrawn by Jennifer Di Francesco.**

**23. Adjournment**

MOVED by Andreia Maia, seconded by Jacinda Liburd, that the meeting be adjourned.

By Unanimous consent, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

The Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

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CPIC SECRETARY

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CPIC CHAIR