



REPORT TO

REGULAR BOARD

RECOMMENDED CHANGE TO ARTICLE 6.1.1 TCDSB OPERATING BY-LAW #175

*Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil.
Matthew 5:17*

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Meeting Date

June 12, 2025

Brendan Browne, Director of Education

RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Vision: *IN GOD'S IMAGE: Growing in Knowledge, with Justice and Hope.*

Mission: *Nurturing the faith development and academic excellence of our Catholic learning community through the love of God, neighbour, and self.*



MULTI-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN
2022 - 2025

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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Board's Operating Bylaw #175 currently includes the following provision:

“6.1.1.2 A Trustee must be physically present in the meeting room of the Board of Trustees for at least three regular meetings of the Board of Trustees in each 12- month period beginning November 15”.

As the Board is aware from previous discussions, the requirement above is no longer law, as of September 1, 2025. Specifically, as of September 1, 2025, by Ontario Regulation 463/97 “Electronic Meetings and Meeting Attendance,” the requirement for Trustees to be physically present in the board meeting room for at least three (3) regular meetings of the board during each 12-month period starting November 15, is revoked.

This report addresses a simple change, which is deletion of Article 6.1.1.2 to ensure that the bylaw complies with legislative changes that take effect September 1, 2025.

The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 1.5 hours

B. PURPOSE

This Report recommends an amendment to TCDSB Operating By-law #175 to ensure that the Bylaw complies with the parts of Regulation 463/97 that take effect September 1, 2025.

C. BACKGROUND

1. In July 2024, Ontario Regulation 463/97 “Electronic Meetings and Meeting Attendance” was amended by the Ontario Government with some changes taking effect on September 1, 2025.
2. To ensure compliance with legislation, this report recommends an amendment to TCDSB Operating By-law #175 by deleting Article 6.1.1.2 in its entirety as indicated in Appendix A.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

1. This recommendation report is on the Order Paper for Trustees' attention and pursuant to Article 17 of the By-Laws that requires written notice and rationale for amendments in advance of a meeting at which an amendment vote is taken.

E. RECOMMENDATION

1. The Director of Education recommends that the Board amend Article 6.1.1 of TCDSB Operating By-Law #175 by deleting subarticle 6.1.1.2 in its entirety effective September 1, 2025, as provided in Appendix A.