

## CORPORATE SERVICES, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

# ST. LUKE/SENHOR SANTO CRISTO CONSOLIDATION WARD 9 REQUEST TO WAIVE SCHOOL NAMES POLICY S.07

"Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize." I Corinthians 9:24 NIV

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#### RECOMMENDATION REPORT

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#### 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.



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## A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends that the Regulation (B)3 of the Board's School Names Policy (S.07) be waived in order to facilitate the 'transition plan' and renaming of the receiving school associated with the consolidation of Senhor Santo Cristo and St. Luke arising from the recently completed accommodation review process.

### **B.** PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide for the consideration of Trustees a request from the Trustee for Ward 9 to waive the Board's School Names Policy (S.07) (Appendix 'A') in order to facilitate the naming of a school arising from the consolidation of Senhor Santo Cristo and St. Luke.

## C. BACKGROUND

- 1. On January 21, 2016, Trustees approved staff recommendations regarding the consolidation of Senhor Santo Cristo with St. Luke at the St. Luke site, and the development of a transition plan including the process for renaming a school arising from consolidation.
- 2. During the accommodation review process, both school communities made clear their desire that the public naming process takes place before consolidation occurs. This would allow the students from both schools to begin their journey together as one community in this process, with an agreed upon Catholic name to inspire them. The Principals of both schools are aware of, and support this approach.

#### D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

1. Regulation (B)3 of School Names Policy (S.07), provided in *Appendix 'A'*, states as follows:

"Where one or more schools close and the students are re-located to fill available space in one or more other existing receiving school(s), and the relocated students from any one school will form no more than 33% of the total school population after consolidation (based on the September 30 enrolment summary), no name change is required for the primary

receiving school. The names of closed schools are mothballed for possible future use."

- 2. Senhor Santo Cristo has an enrolment of 96 students compared with 226 at St. Luke. The combined enrolment resulting from the consolidation is 322, of which Senhor Santo Cristo represents 30%. According to Regulation B3 of the Policy, a change to the name of the receiving school is not required.
- 3. However, during the accommodation review process, the School and parent communities requested that the name of the receiving school be changed, and that this occur before consolidation takes place.
- 4. The School Principals, local Trustee and School Superintendent support this request.

## E. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Regulation (B)3 of School Names Policy (S.07) be waived with respect to the consolidation of Senhor Santo Cristo and St. Luke, arising from the recently completed accommodation review process.