

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

PRESENT:

M. Del Grande, Chair
N. Crawford
A. Andrachuk
P. Bottoni
F. D'Amico
N. Crawford
A. Kennedy
J. Martino
S. Piccininni
B. Poplawski – by teleconference
M. Rizzo
G. Tanuan

A. Gauthier
G. Poole
A. Sangiorgio
R. McGuckin
J. Yan

L. Fernandes, Recording Secretary

The items dealt with at the Student Achievement and Well Being, Catholic Education and Human Resources Committee in PUBLIC SESSION were deemed presented.

MOVED by Trustee Andrachuk, seconded by Trustee Crawford, that the items dealt with in PUBLIC SESSION be approved.

CARRIED

MATTERS AS CAPTURED IN THE ABOVE MOTION

Minutes of the Regular meeting held February 5, 2015 – approved with an amendment to page 4 to include the following item not questioned:

Communication Plan for the Board Learning Improvement Plan – received.

Presentation by Sandra Mastronardi, parent, regarding budget cuts to Special Education - received and referred to staff.

Presentation by David Szollosy, representing TSU, regarding the School Year Calendar - received and referred to staff.

School Year Calendar 2015-2016

1. That the following motion be approved subject to consideration by staff of the comments made by the delegation
 - a. The attached school year calendar (Appendix A) for the 2015-2016 school year be adopted for elementary schools.
 - b. The communication plan outlined in this report be implemented immediately.
 - c. Principals share plans for professional activity days and the school year calendar with their CSACs and school communities in a timely manner.
2. That the approval of the secondary school calendar be deferred to the March 26th meeting of the Board.
3. That when the report comes back to Board, that staff identify any TCDSB secondary school that could shift their Professional Development day at no cost to the Board.

Piping In Classical Music To Washrooms & Parking Lots To Address Safe School Concerns deferred to come back at a later date to be determined by the Director.

Consultation and Communications Plan for TCDSB Structural Budget Deficit Reduction Opportunities

1. The consultation and communications plan be executed at the higher community engagement level of “Involve” – which is up one grade in the Board’s Continuum of Engagement level of “Consult” used in previous budget consultations.
2. This multi-faceted consultation and communications plan be approved for implementation immediately to support TCDSB community engagement and input as the Board reviews solutions to its current financial challenges.

MOVED by Trustee Tanuan, seconded by Trustee Andrachuk, that items dealt with in PRIVATE SESSION regarding a presentation from the Ministry Consultants be approved.

CARRIED

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MOVED by Trustee Andrachuk, seconded by Trustee Piccininni, that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

SECRETARY

CHAIR