

REGULAR BOARD

STATUS UPDATE ON ACQUISITION OF TDSB PROPERTIES

"In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps"... Proverbs 16:9

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INFORMATION 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 uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.

We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.



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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the request of the Board, this report provides a status update on the acquisition of the following Toronto District School Board properties the Toronto Catholic District School Board is seeking to acquire:

- Nelson A. Boylen Collegiate Institute
- Buttonwood Hill
- Baycrest Public School
- Scarlett Heights Entrepreneurial Academy

B. BACKGROUND

- 1. The Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) Site Acquisition Strategy, approved in October 2016, provides authority for staff to pursue the acquisition of identified properties in order to address the Board's accommodation needs.
- 2. The site acquisition plan identifies the purchase of Toronto District School Board (TDSB) properties which have been declared surplus to the long term needs of the TDSB or are anticipated to be declared surplus, including:
 - Nelson A. Boylen Collegiate Institute 155 Falstaff Avenue
 - Buttonwood Hill– 100 Allanhurst Drive
 - Baycrest Public School 145 Baycrest Avenue
 - Scarlett Heights Entrepreneurial Academy 15 Trehorne Drive
- 3. Nelson A. Boylen: The TCDSB is seeking to acquire the 11 acre N.A Boylen property, located at 155 Falstaff Avenue, as an accommodation solution for St. Fidelis. The property was declared surplus to the long terms needs of the TDSB on June 22, 2016, and referred to the Toronto Lands Corporation (TLC) for sale. On September 9, 2016, the TCDSB received a circulation package for the Boylen site. As required under *Ontario Regulation 444/98*, the Board submitted both an expression of interest and an executed offer to purchase the property at the appraised highest and best use market value within the prescribed timeframes.

Board staff are currently in negotiations with the TLC in order to advance the acquisition of this site.

4. Buttonwood Hill: The TCDSB is pursuing the acquisition of Buttonwood Hill, a 6 acre property located at 100 Allanhurst Drive, to address significant enrolment growth pressures in Central Etobicoke. The non-operating school facility was declared surplus by the TDSB on February 8, 2017, and transferred to the TLC for disposition. On February 24, 2017, the Board received a circulation package for Buttonwood Hill. As per the requirements of *Ontario Regulation 444/98*, the TCDSB submitted an expression of interest for Buttonwood Hill within the 90 day timeframe.

The TCDSB has commissioned an appraisal of the property to determine the highest and best use market value in order to proceed with submitting an offer to purchase Buttonwood Hill.

5. Baycrest Public School: The TCDSB is seeking to acquire the 5.39 acre Baycrest Public School, located at 145 Baycrest Avenue, to address the current and future accommodation needs of St. Margaret and the Lawrence-Allen community. On April 12, 2017, the Toronto District School Board declared Baycrest surplus to its long term needs, and referred the property to the Toronto Lands Corporation for sale effective June 30, 2018. The TCDSB has yet to receive a circulation package for Baycrest.

In anticipation of receiving the circulation package, TCDSB have commissioned an appraisal in order to prepare an offer to purchase Baycrest.

6. Scarlett Heights Entrepreneurial Academy: The TCDSB is interested in acquiring the 12.30 acre Scarlett Heights Entrepreneurial Academy, located at 15 Trehorne Drive, to address current and future secondary panel accommodation needs in Etobicoke. Scarlett Heights is currently involved in a Pupil Accommodation Review (PAR) along with Kipling Collegiate Institute and Richview Collegiate Institute. The final PAR report is being considered at the June 21, 2017 TDSB Board meeting, and the staff recommendation is to close Scarlett Heights effective June 30, 2018. The TDSB has not yet undertaken a review of the long-term needs of the property, which would take place following a Board approval to close the school.

TCDSB staff will continue to monitor the status of Scarlett Heights.

C. CONCLUDING STATEMENT

This report is for the consideration of the Board.