

Committee of the Whole (Special Meeting) Agenda

CW:019A
Tuesday, June 9, 2020
6:30 p.m.
Electronic Meeting

Trustee Members

Robin Pilkey (Chair), Michelle Aarts, Alexander Brown, Rachel Chernos Lin, Stephanie Donaldson, Trixie Doyle, Harpreet Gill, Parthi Kandavel, Shelley Laskin, James Li, Alexandra Lulka, Dan MacLean, Christopher Mammoliti, Chris Moise, Patrick Nunziata, Zakir Patel, Yalini Rajakulasingam, David Smith, Anu Sriskandarajah, Jennifer Story, Chris Tonks, Manna Wong

The purpose of this meeting is to provide strategic advice and recommendations to the Board on the continued implementation of services during school closures, creating a successful path to the post-COVID reopening of schools and other potential learnings from the pandemic period.

Pages

- 1. Call to Order and Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands
- 2. Declarations of Possible Conflict of Interest
- 3. Delegations

To be presented

4. Report From the Director of Education

Oral update

5. Report From the Chair of the Board

Oral update

6. Report From Representative on the City's Board of Health

Oral update

7. Report From the Directors on the Ontario Public School Boards' Association

Oral update

8. Report From Chairs of the Governance and Policy Committee, Program and School Services Committee and Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee

Oral update

9. Report From Representatives on the Parent Involvement Advisory Committee and the Special Education Advisory Committee

Oral update

10. Reports From Student Trustees

Oral update

- 11. Emergency Motions
 - 11.1 Supporting Non-Profit Community Program Partners (Trustees Aarts and MacLean)
- 12. Other Questions, Insights and Advice From Trustees to Staff

To be presented

13. Adjournment

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Written Notice of Motion for Consideration (Trustees Aarts and MacLean)

From: Denise Joseph-Dowers, Manager, Board Services, Governance and Board Services

In accordance with Board Bylaw 5.15.2, notice of the following motion was provided at the Committee of the Whole (Special Meeting) on June 2, 2020 and is therefore submitted for consideration at this time.

5.15.2 A notice of motion will be introduced by a member who is present as an advance notification of a matter to be considered at a subsequent Board or Committee meeting. A notice of motion will not be debated at the meeting at which it is introduced...

5.15.2 (c) A notice of motion submitted prior to, or at a committee meeting, will be considered at a subsequent committee meeting....

Supporting Non-Profit Community Program Partners

Whereas, the TDSB supports and encourages community programming, including low-cost and free programming, in our facilities through the Community Use of Schools subsidy (3760 permits in 2018/19) and the Local Neighbourhood Support Program (241 permits this year); and

Whereas, this programming is important for school-community connections and for supporting well-being for youth, seniors, and families; and

Whereas, low cost or free programs, such as after-school programs, March-break, and summer camps, are especially important supports for our highest needs communities and much of this programming depends on not-for-profit businesses who run and subsidize the programs; and

Whereas, the current, Covid-19 school closures, and foreseeable changes to building access and social distancing, are having negative impacts on the ability of community agencies and program partners to maintain their businesses; and

Whereas, many not-for-profits do not qualify for Provincial and Federal Covid-related loans or grants as they are neither incorporated businesses or registered charities and are also experiencing a significant reduction in donations; and

Whereas, the TDSB and other school boards stand to lose significant community supports from not-for-profit partners and programs if their not-for-profit partners disappear, which will negatively impact our school communities;

Therefore, be it resolved:

(a) That the Chair write to the Ministry of Education, and other appropriate Provincial and Federal Ministries, to advocate for financial support for not-for-profit busi-

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nesses that run community programming in our schools to bridge the current school closures and mitigate foreseeable increased program costs that will be needed to accommodate social distancing once schools reopen;

(b) The Director review what changes will be needed to support programming by existing not-for-profit permit holders through recovery from Covid-19 and present an update to the Board at the earliest possible convenience on the new permit conditions/expectations for permit holders that might impact permit holder cost or operating conditions (e.g. limits on program size, PPE, fees, etc), and on the impacts of Covid-19 on the status or numbers of the TDSB's existing fee-subsidy programs and program partners (e.g. change in number or types of programs, loss of partners).