

Written Notice of Motion for Consideration (Trustees Donaldson and Pilkey)

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

In accordance with Board Bylaws 5.15.45 notice of the following motion was provided at the regular meeting on October 26, 2022 and is therefore submitted for consideration at this time.

5.15.45 Motions must first be introduced as a Notice of Motion to provide advance notification of a matter,...

Changing the Toronto District School Board's Child Care Agreement With the City of Toronto

Whereas, the Toronto District School Board has a \$40.4M deficit for the school year 2022-23 with a three-year deficit recovery plan required by the Ministry of Education; and

Whereas, the deficit recovery plan requires further cuts to programming for students; and

Whereas, the federal government and the province of Ontario have reached an agreement that provides \$13.2B in new funding for childcare in Ontario; and

Whereas, the City of Toronto, under Toronto Children's Services, is the provincially designated municipal childcare service agency for Toronto; and

Whereas, the Board's childcare umbrella agreement with the City of Toronto has limited the Board's ability to charge the City for the full cost of having childcare in our schools, limiting the reimbursement of operating cost to \$6.50 per square foot, when the Board's annual actual average operating cost for the 2021-22 fiscal year is at \$14.38 per square foot, meaning that the Board subsidizes childcare using resources that should be used on its K-12 students;

Therefore, be it resolved:

- (a) That the Director be authorized to re-negotiate the umbrella agreement with Toronto Children Services to ensure that the Board is made financially whole going forward;
- (b) That, should the negotiations not be completed by January 2, 2023, that the Chair write to the Mayor of Toronto, the City Manager, and Children Services:
 - i. to provide notice that the Board will begin charging the actual per square foot cost effective September 1, 2023;
 - ii. should the City be unwilling to pay the revised rate, that they notify the Board, by February 1, 2023;

- iii. that the cancellation of the agreement would be effective September 1, 2023.