

Written Notice of Motion (Trustees Aarts and Laskin)

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

In accordance with Board Bylaws 5.15.45 and 5.15.49, the following motion is submitted as notice at this time and for consideration at the next regular meeting.

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

5.15.49 A Notice of Motion will not be debated at the meeting at which it is introduced.

Establishment of a Bylaws Review Special Committee

Whereas, managing the time for delegations and the number of reports and discussion within the allotted time for TDSB Committee meetings presents a challenge to doing Board business in a timely manner; and

Whereas, the Board recognizes the importance of creating opportunities for public feedback; and

Whereas, last minute motions and substitutions do not allow for public notice or fulsome review, or consideration and engagement by Trustees, staff, and the public; and

Whereas, on May 22, 2024, based on changes to the constitution of the Ontario Public School Boards' Association, the Board revised timelines for the appointment of members to represent the Board on OPSBA; and

Whereas, Bylaw 1.3.1 of the Board's bylaws states that "These Bylaws will be updated as required and reviewed at a minimum every four (4) years."; and

Whereas, Bylaw 4.8.1 allows the Board to establish a special committee consisting of trustees to make recommendations to the Board on any matter;

Therefore, be it resolved:

That a Bylaws Review Special Committee be established with the following mandate and membership;

Mandate: To review the Board's bylaws and present recommendations on matters pertaining to the Bylaws, including but not limited to delegations at standing committee meetings, motions and substitutions and timelines for appointments to the Ontario Public School Boards' Association;

To review governance procedure PR718, Delegations

To present a report to the Governance and Policy Committee

Membership: Up to seven trustees, as appointed by the Board

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