

# Information Flow Protocol – New Governance Procedure

**To:** Governance and Policy Committee

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## **Strategic Directions**

- Transform Student Learning
- Create a Culture for Student and Staff Well-Being
- Provide Equity of Access to Learning Opportunities for All Students
- Allocate Human and Financial Resources Strategically to Support Student Needs
- Build Strong Relationships and Partnerships Within School Communities to Support Student Learning and Well-Being

### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Information Flow Protocol, as presented in this report, be received for information.

#### Context

On June 2, 2020, the Governance and Policy Committee considered draft provisions for the new governance procedure - Information Flow Protocol. The Committee provided comments on the draft provisions and directed staff to work with the Integrity Commissioner and include her recommendations, prior to returning to the Committee for further consideration. Staff undertook to prepare a scan of comparable policies and procedures of school boards and public organizations and to provide it at the subsequent Committee meeting.

The Committee's recommendations were approved by the Board of Trustees on June 17, 2020.

Based on feedback received at the Governance and Policy Committee on June 2, 2020 and in consultation with the Integrity Commissioner, staff prepared the draft Information Flow Protocol (Appendix A) and the scan of selected school boards and organizations (Appendix B). The key revisions to the draft provisions of the Information Flow Protocol made since June 2, 2020 are highlighted in the Appendix C.

The draft Information Flow Protocol is provided for Committee's information.

## **Action Plan and Associated Timeline**

Subject to the Governance and Policy Committee's directions, the draft Information Flow Protocol will be prepared by staff and provided to the Committee for consideration.

# **Resource Implications**

No additional resources will be required for implementation of the Protocol.

### **Communications Considerations**

The Protocol will be communicated to the system through the System Leaders' Bulletin, shared with Trustees through Director's Weekly Update, and posted on the TDSB's public website. In addition, the Trustee orientation package will be updated to incorporate the Protocol.

# **Board Policy and Procedure Reference(s)**

- Board Member Code of Conduct (P075)
- Governance Policy (P086)
- Open Data Policy (P091)
- Parent Concern Protocol (PR505)

## **Appendices**

- Appendix A: Information Flow Protocol
- Appendix B: Scan of Selected School Boards and Organizations
- Appendix C: Comparison of June 2 and September 30, 2020 versions

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