

Memorandum

To: Board of Trustees

From: Gerard Winn, Director of Education

Date: September 23, 2024

Subject: Notice of Motion – Trustee Membership on Board Advisory

Committees (as per Appendix 1 of the Minutes of the Regular Board

Meeting of June 17, 2024)

Please find attached the Notice of Motion from the June 17, 2024, Regular Board Meeting: Trustee Membership on Board Advisory Committees.

GW/eb Attachment Notice of Motion – Trustee Membership on Board Advisory Committees

May 27, 2024

WHEREAS, the Board has identified listening as a foundational practice of the current multi-year strategic plan and has made a commitment to build better understanding of the needs of each member of our community by creating spaces and establishing intentional practices to listen, with the ears of the heart, to all voices; and

WHEREAS committees have been established within DCDSB for senior staff to engage with specific communities to build better understanding of the lived experienced of equity-deserving groups, namely the DCDSB Indigenous Education Circle, the DCDSB Anti-Black Racism and Black Excellence Committee and the 2SLGBTQ+ Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS these committees provide a venue for equity-based community input and feedback; and

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees is committed to our mission to be an inclusive Catholic learning community that inspires every student to reach their full potential through faith and education; and

WHEREAS the Board values respect, reconciliation, and learning; and

WHEREAS it is beneficial to Trustees to have direct insight into the ideas, concerns and/or work of equity-deserving groups;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that an ad hoc committee be formed which will convene on a maximum of three occasions in September-October 2024. The committee will:

- examine best practices and bring recommendations to the Board for how to improve communication and build stronger relationships between the Board of Trustees and the three abovementioned Board advisory groups;
- b. have a maximum of 8 participants;
- c. will report back to the Board at the October 28, 2024, Regular meeting of the Board:
- d. and after bringing forward recommendations to the Board, the committee will be dissolved.

Kim Beatty, Trustee, Oshawa