



**DURHAM CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**
Learning and Living in Faith

Memorandum

To: Board of Trustees

From: Tracy Barill, Director of Education

Date: May 23, 2023

Subject: **Notice of Motion – Amendments to By-Laws (as per Appendix 2 of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 24, 2023)**

Please find attached the Notice of Motion from the April 24, 2023, Regular Board Meeting: Amendments to By-Laws

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Attachment

Notice of Motion – Amendments to By-Laws

Rationale

Article 13.1 (a), (b) of General Working By-Law Number 2021 - Amendments to By-Laws

13.1 Amendment with Notice

By-laws of the Board may be amended from time to time by Resolution of the Board, provided that:

- (a) A written notice of motion proposing the amendment shall have been given at a previous regular meeting; and
- (b) The text and a brief statement of intended purpose of the amendment shall have been included in the notice of motion forming part of the agenda for the meeting at which the amendment is considered by the Board.

13.2 Amendment without Notice

At any time, the By-laws may be amended without notice upon the unanimous vote of all Trustees.

MOTION

“THAT the DCDSB approve the following amendments to General Working By-law 2021:

9.1 Notice of Motion

A Trustee may give the Secretary written notice of a motion, along with explanatory rationale, regarding any matter with respect to which the Trustee has a right to vote, and the motion shall be included in the Board agenda, provided it is received by the Secretary by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before the meeting at which it will appear on the agenda.

A notice of motion so received may not be the subject of debate or resolution until a Board meeting following the meeting at which it first appears on the agenda.

Notwithstanding the above, a Trustee may bring a motion at a Board meeting without prior notice provided that a two-thirds majority of those present and eligible to vote waive the notice requirements.

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9.2 Trustee Questions

All agendas for Regular and In Camera sessions of the Board will include an item for Trustees to bring forward inquiries of interest to all Trustees and in the interest of the school System. Trustees will endeavour to provide advance notice to the Chair of the Board and the Director of Education of questions they wish to bring forward.

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9.3 Reconsideration

Any matter which has been decided upon by the Board shall not be reconsidered by the Board during the subsequent twelve (12) month period unless approved for reconsideration by two thirds majority of those present and eligible to vote.

Submitted by: Trustee McCafferty and Chair Forster, April 19, 2023