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REPORT TO

## GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

### UPDATE TO CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENT COUNCILS POLICY S.10

*"He rules the world in righteousness and judges the peoples with equity."* Psalm 9:8

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<b>RECOMMENDATION REPORT</b>		

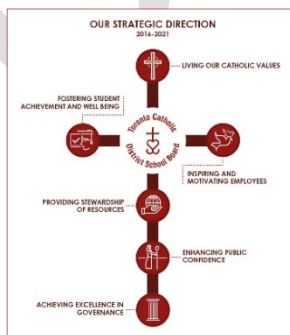
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*We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.*



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## **A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report recommends updating the current Catholic School Parent Councils (S. 10) as per the five year review cycle in the Meta Policy (M.01).

*The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 55 hours*

## **B. PURPOSE**

This Recommendation Report is on the Order Paper of the Governance Policy Committee.

## **C. BACKGROUND**

1. The Catholic School Parent Councils Policy (S.10) was first approved on November 19, 1981.
2. The last amendment to the policy was on February 24, 2016.
3. An initial draft policy report was brought forward to this committee on September 10, 2019
4. Further consultation with stakeholders has taken place December 3<sup>rd</sup> to December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019
5. Changes to the policy reflect current legislation and practices.

## **D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS**

1. The policy has been amended and informed in consultation with Legal Services, the Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC), the Ontario Association for Parents in Catholic Education – Toronto (OAPCE), TCDSB’s Catholic Parent School Councils (CSPC), TCDSB administrators and with the parent/guardian community.
2. Appendix E offers a summary of the consultation that took place in December 2019 regarding key aspects of the proposed revision in accordance with direction from the September 10, 2019 meeting of the Governance and Policy Committee.

## **E. METRICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

1. Recommendations in this report will be monitored by the Director with the support of the Superintendent of Parent Engagement, and reported on the Annual Catholic Schools Parent Council Metrics Report.

Further reports will be brought to the Board in accordance with the policy review schedule.

## **F. IMPLEMENTATION, STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN**

1. The updated policy, and accompanying appendices, as approved will be posted on the TCDSB policy register.
2. Principals will be informed of changes to this policy at K-12 meetings.
3. CPIC, OPACE and CSPCs will be informed of changes through their regular meetings.

## **G. STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the revised Catholic School Parent Councils (S.10) Policy (Appendix A of this report) be adopted.

It further recommends that B, C and D of this report to the policy be approved and any further changes to the appendices be created through collaboration with staff, CPIC and OAPCE – Toronto. It is intended, consistent with appropriate Regulations and Policies that parents, CSPCs and staff find these appendices useful as reference for best procedures and practices.