

Written Notice of Motion for Consideration (Trustees Laskin and Donaldson)

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In accordance with Board Bylaw 5.15.2, notice of the following motion was provided at the regular meeting of the Board on February 5, 2020 and is therefore submitted for consideration at this time.

5.15.2 A notice of motion will be introduced by a member who is present as an advance notification of a matter to be considered at a subsequent Board or Committee meeting. A notice of motion will not be debated at the meeting at which it is introduced...

5.15.2 (c) A notice of motion submitted prior to, or at a committee meeting, will be considered at a subsequent committee meeting...

Grade 9 EQAO Mathematics Assessments for 2019-2020

Whereas, in the light of the current labour situation, the Minister of Education wrote to school boards on January 8, 2020 to suggest that school boards make local decisions about whether the EQAO Semester 1 Grade 9 math assessment scheduled for January 2020 be postponed to June 2020; and

Whereas, the Minister further directed that for those boards that determined not to administer the test in January, that students will need to take the test during the June 2020 administration period; and

Whereas, to ensure fairness, Grade 9 students in the second semester should be evaluated in the same manner as their peers from the first semester; and

Whereas, any cancellation of the Grade 9 EQAO mathematics assessment will have no direct or individual impact on a student's achievement and credit accumulation;

Therefore, be it resolved:

The Chair of the Board write to the Minister of Education to request that the Ministry:

- (i) cancel the Grade 9 EQAO Mathematics Assessment for the 2019-2020 school year;
- (ii) implement the recommendations included in the Independent Review of Assessment and Reporting, "[Ontario, A Learning Province](#)" released in April 2018 to transform assessments including the EQAO.

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