



To: Chair and Members of the Board

DATE: 14 March 2022

RE: Letter to Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health and Minister of Education

Trustee Campbell has given notice that he will move as follows at the Special Board meeting on 14 March 2022:

THAT the Chair write an open letter to Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) and Minister of Education asking them respectively to:

- A. Consider providing timely additional direction regarding masking to protect medically fragile staff and students, especially children in congregate settings;
- B. Allow the OCDSB a reasonable amount of additional time beyond 21 March 2022, not exceeding four weeks, to more gradually remove previously required Provincial risk mitigations such as cohorting and mask-wearing in a step-wise fashion, thereby permitting improved monitoring, any retraining needs, and improved communications with and reassurance for Board's community of parents, staff members,
- C. Where this letter would be copied to Ottawa Public Health with a request that they provide their expert opinion and advice with respect to the projected student health impacts to be expected from the immediate versus graduated implementation of the new related Ministry of Education guidelines; and
- D. Where all parties would be asked to publicly reply by 17 March 2022.

Camille Williams-Taylor
Director of Education and
Secretary of the Board

Michèle Giroux
Executive Officer
Corporate Services

Signatures on this Notice of Motion confirm that the Notice was submitted in accordance with Section 12.9 of the Board's By-laws and Standing Rules.