OTTAWA-CARLETON
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MEMORANDUM

Memo No. 19-144

TO: Trustees
Student Trustees

FROM: Camille Williams-Taylor, Director of Education and Secretary of the Board
Michele Giroux, Executive Officer, Corporate Services

DATE: 26 November 2019

RE: Revisions to Draft Policy P.141.GOV Integrity Commissioner

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During discussion of the draft Policy P.141.GOV Integrity Commissioner at the 19 November 2019 Committee of the Whole, trustees queried whether the Integrity Commissioner policy would apply to student trustees, and whether a two-thirds vote for the removal of an Integrity Commissioner would also apply to a decision not to renew a contract.

Staff has requested an opinion from legal counsel on these two questions and expects to have a response prior to the Board meeting on 26 November 2019.

It should be noted that Policy P.073.GOV Board Member Code of Conduct includes the following definitions for Board and Trustees:

2.1 **Board** means the Board of Trustees of the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board.

2.8 **Trustee** means a member of the board elected or appointed in accordance with the Municipal Elections Act and the Education Act, **and includes student trustees** who are elected by the Student Senate and Students' President Council to represent the interests of students on the Board.

Given that student trustees are subject to the same expectations and conduct as all other trustees in the Board Member Code of Conduct policy, it is staff's recommendation that they also be included in the Integrity Policy.

For this reason, staff recommends that the definition of trustee, as stated in the Board Member Code of Conduct policy, be added to the Integrity Policy.

cc Senior Staff
Manager, Board Services
Corporate Records