



## Building Brighter Futures Together at the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board



TO: Special Board

DATE: 29 June 2020

**RE: OCDSB Motion for OPSBA Annual General Meeting Consideration**

Trustee Lynn Scott has given notice that she will move the following motion at the Special Board Meeting of 29 June 2020.

*Whereas*, through their board member code of conduct policies, a number of school boards across the province have now gained experience in applying the provisions of Section 218 of the Education Act regarding conduct of members of school boards, which was introduced with Bill 177 in 2009;

*Whereas*, addressing matters of inappropriate conduct by board members in the most effective ways has sometimes been problematic in light of legal and other constraints associated with the process as outlined in Section 218 of the Education Act;

*Whereas*, the provincial government has provided minimal additional guidance to school boards in O. Reg. 246/18; and

*Whereas*, a review of the effectiveness of school boards' board member code of conduct policies, based on input from school districts regarding their experience, could provide useful suggestions for changes to Section 218 of the Education Act and O. Reg. 246/18;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

THAT OPSBA advocate for improvements to Section 218 of the Education Act and O. Reg. 246/18 to enhance school boards' ability and authority to address unacceptable or inappropriate behaviour by board members.

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

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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.*