

Staff Report



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To Board of Education (Public Meeting)
From Ray Velestuk, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
Re **Revised Board Policies**

This report is presented to the Board for information.

BACKGROUND:

This report provides a summary of the review conducted by the Secretary-Treasurer on Policy 12: Delegation of Authority, Policy 19: School Closure, and Policy 21: Naming of School District Facilities/Property. The purpose of this review was to assess the clarity, necessity, and effectiveness of these policies, as well as to identify any legal or compliance issues.

The purpose of these policies is clear, and they remain necessary for the effective governance of the Board. The processes outlined in these policies are functioning as intended, with no reported issues from trustees. Additionally, the policies promote sound governance practices and represent best practices across the sector.

Policy 12: Delegation of Authority

- The policy clearly outlines the intention to delegate duties to the Superintendent of Schools.
- It clearly provides support for the Role of the Board and Role of the Superintendent.
- No legal or compliance issues were identified.

Policy 19: School Closure

- This policy defines the process and requirements for the consideration of a permanent school closure.
- It ensures that a clear and defined process is in place in the event such action is contemplated by the Board.
- No legal or compliance issues were identified.

Policy 21: Naming of School District Facilities/Property

- The policy outlines the process for naming new or existing facilities or portions thereof and for the renaming of existing facilities.
- It broadly defines the process to be undertaken regarding facility naming.
- No legal or compliance issues were identified.

Based on the review, it is recommended that no changes be made to Policy 12, Policy 19, and Policy 21. The policies are clear, necessary, and effective in promoting sound governance practices.