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Written Notice of Motion for Consideration (Trustees Mammoliti and Aarts)

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In accordance with Board Bylaw 5.15.2, notice of the following motion was provided at the special meeting of the Board on June 25, 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...

Roundtable on the Use of Shared Data to Combat Systemic Inequity

Whereas, TDSB-generated data provides valuable insights to begin to combat systemic issues such as racism, marginalization and inequity; and

Whereas, these insights have enabled the identification of equity gaps and needed systemic changes to combat these inequities, while creating strategic direction, programs and actions that aim to provide all students, youth and communities with more equitable access to the education and well-being supports that they deserve; and

Whereas, other levels of government also collect data that can provide valuable insight into systemic inequities in our city, province and country; and

Whereas, the government of Canada and the province of Ontario have both committed to the principles of the international [Open Government Partnership](#) and are leaders in open government on the world stage; and

Whereas, Toronto, often described as a “world in a city” has also made great strides in using data to improve service delivery, make information accessible and build public trust through their [Open Government](#) initiatives; and

~~Whereas, in an effort to build on commitments to a stronger focus on data collection including students, youth, families and communities in Toronto;~~

Therefore, be it resolved:

That the Chair write **a letter to invite** the Mayor of the City of Toronto, the Premier of **the Province of** Ontario, **[redacted]**, Ontario’s Minister of Education and Health Canada to engage their experts in multilateral form a roundtable to discussions:

- i. Build on commitments to a stronger focus on data collection including students, youth, families and communities in Toronto;**

- ii. Recruit appropriate experts (e.g. school boards and associations, academics, NGOs, non-profits, etc.) to engage in multi-lateral roundtable discussions to create a shared understanding of the deep and often unseen impact of systemic racism, health and economic inequities, as well as other factors contributing to community stigma and under-service;
- iii. Adopt an evidence-informed approach to identifying issues and decision-making by drawing upon comprehensive data, such as collected by the Toronto District School Board (e.g., Student and Family Census, Learning Opportunities Index, French and Optional Attendance Reviews and the findings of Enhancing Equity Task Force), in addition to other data collected by other levels of government;
- iv. Consider, develop and recommend complementary policy decisions, action plans and funding initiatives aimed at producing sustainable changes which result in new opportunities and improve economic, social, health and educational outcomes for youth, families and other stakeholders in underserved communities in Toronto.