Notice of Motion Regular Board Meeting

May 26th, 2025

In accordance with Board bylaw 4.1, Trustee Conrad Stanley is providing notice of the following motion for consideration at the Regular Board meeting on May 26th, 2025

Topic: Permission for Public Video and Audio Recordings of All Public Board Meetings

Whereas: It is self evident that members of the public have the right to view and record the

proceedings of a *public* meeting of a *public* institution like the *publicly funded* Waterloo

Catholic District School Board, and

Whereas: The WCDSB has a duty to ensure its proceedings remain as transparent as possible, and

Whereas: No formal WCDSB board policy currently exists prohibiting a member of the public

from making video or audio recordings at public meetings, and

Whereas: There nevertheless seems to exist some confusion among some senior staff concerning

official board policy when it comes to this matter, and

Whereas: Complaints from the public have been received in recent weeks about security

actively intervening to prohibit members of the public from recording at public

meetings, while acting under direction of senior staff, and

Whereas: There is therefore a need to formally, and clearly, articulate the board's position on this

matter so the correct transparency policy concerning recordings at public meetings can

be implemented from this point forward,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Waterloo Catholic District School Board:

Hereby authorizes any member of the public or media attending in its gallery to make their own video and audio recordings of any public board meeting.