

DATE: March 9, 2021

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Trustee Shelagh Dunn, Caucus Committee Chair

SUBJECT: Report #23 of the Special Caucus Committee (From the meeting held February 23, 2021)

ORIGINATOR: Karen Mills, Director Board and Superintendent Relations

REFERENCE: [Trustees' Handbook](#) – Caucus Committee - Section 5.4

ISSUE

The Board approved the following recommendation at the March 3, 2015, Board meeting: That Section 5.4 of the Trustees' Handbook be revised to give the Caucus Committee final decision-making power on certain types of matters, and yet constrain that power so it is used only when absolutely necessary.

The following recommendation was approved at the February 23, 2021, Special Caucus Committee meeting:

Naming of Dan Knott School, Naming of new school in Keswick Neighbourhood

1. *That the naming criteria and matrix are confirmed for the upcoming naming/re-naming process for the new Keswick school and existing Dan Knott School.*

BACKGROUND

In September 2020, the Board of Trustees passed a motion: "That the Division rename Dan Knott and Oliver Schools following a process where it seeks input from the community, following a process similar to the naming of new schools."

The process for naming of new schools is being initiated to rename Dan Knott School and will allow for the school to open for the 2021-2022 school year with a new name.

In addition to renaming Dan Knott School, the Division has an opportunity to choose a name for a new K-9 school in the Keswick area at the same time.

The timing of the renaming of Oliver School is being aligned with the community league's efforts and engagement in renaming the community. Once that community league's process is complete, the Division will work towards renaming Oliver School, seeking community, staff, student and parent feedback.