

## Report to the Policy and Corporate Services Committee

<p>Title of Report: EDC Start-up and Policy</p> <p><b>Prepared By:</b> Tracy McLennan</p>	<p><b>Public:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>Confidential:</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>Budget Implications:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
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<p><b>Recommendation(s):</b> That the Board has reviewed and approved the following policies and recommended statements as presented in relation to the EDC By-law process</p>	

### Background

The Wellington Catholic DSB, together with the Upper Grand District School Board has begun the process to replace current Education Development Charges By-laws which expire on August 24, 2019.

On October 12, 2018 O.Reg 438/18 was approved and amended O.Reg. 20/98 under the Education Act. O.Reg. 20/98 governs various aspects of education development charges (EDCs). The amendments modified the process that Boards must follow to prepare background studies and have established maximums on the charges to be collected by Boards.

Historically, Boards would be required to evaluate certain EDC related policies as part of the background study process. These requirements did not survive the amendments to the regulation in October. However, these policies are being presented for review as part of the normal EDC By-law process.

1. That the Wellington Catholic District School Board has reviewed its operating budget for the year ending August 31, 2019 for savings that could be applied to reduce growth-related net education land costs. Such review has disclosed that there is no surplus of operating funds available for these

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capital needs. The Board has therefore determined that the amount of the savings which it proposes to apply to growth-related net education land costs is nil.

2. That the Board adopt the following statement: “There have not been opportunities for alternative accommodation arrangements which the Board considered appropriate during the term of the current EDC by-laws, and that the Wellington Catholic DSB continue to consider proposed opportunities to implement alternative accommodation arrangements as they arise in conjunction with Policy - Alternative Accommodation Options.”

### Attachments:

Policy FM.B.2 School Sites-Operating Budget Surplus

Policy FM.M.3 Alternative Arrangements for School Facilities.