



**DURHAM CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**
Learning and Living in Faith

Mandate of the Expulsion Hearing Committee

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The Expulsion Hearing Committee of the Durham Catholic District School Board shall conduct Expulsion Hearings in accordance with Part XIII of the *Education Act*, Regulation 472/07, and the Board's School Conduct and Safety Policies and Procedures.

Committee Membership

The Board's Expulsion Hearing Committee shall have no fewer than three (3) trustee members available for each Expulsion Hearing.

Meeting Date

Two (2) meeting dates per month shall be set aside for Expulsion Hearings. Where necessary, subject to availability of the parties, and provided that the schedule allows for compliance with Section 311.3(8) of the *Education Act* requiring that an Expulsion Hearing take place within twenty (20) school days of a student's suspension under Section 310 of the *Act*, the Expulsion Hearing Committee will meet on one or both of the prescheduled dates.

Meeting Time and Location

7:00 p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre in the Board Room, subject to the availability of the Principal and parent/guardian or adult student who are parties to the proceeding.

Resource Person

Director of Education and/or designated Superintendent of Education.

Terms of Reference

1. A Chair and a Vice Chair of the Expulsion Hearing Committee will be elected at its first meeting.
2. All applicable sections of the *Education Act* and Regulation 472/07 shall be followed when holding an Expulsion Hearing.
3. Hearings will be held *in camera*.

4. Decisions made by the Expulsion Hearing Committee shall be binding on the Board. Expulsions may be appealed by the parent/guardian or adult student to the Child and Family Services Review Board.
5. The written decision of the Expulsion Hearings Committee shall be prepared by the Committee with assistance from the Director (or designate), and provided forthwith to the parent/guardian and pupil.
6. Decisions of the Expulsion Hearing Committee may be brought to the full Board for information, on an anonymized basis.
7. Agendas, minutes and supporting documentation of all Expulsion Hearings will be kept by the Director of Education.

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