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POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of the Algoma District School Board that trustees, as elected representatives of their community, shall approve the official names of new and consolidated schools or changes to existing names of schools.

POLICY

When naming a school, the Director of Education shall establish an Ad Hoc Committee to make a recommendation to the Board.

The Committee shall be composed of the following members:

- a) two Trustees, appointed by the Board;
- b) one school administrator (Principal or Principal designate if applicable); *
- c) one staff representative; *
- d) a parent representative of the School Council; *
- e) one Superintendent of Education;
- f) one student; *
- g) one community member; *and
- h) one Indigenous representative. *

*Note: In the case of consolidation, an additional such member may be included, at the discretion of the Director, to represent each school community and/or to reflect the diversity of a school community.

The Ad Hoc Committee will:

- i) establish a process for inviting suggested names for the school, from individuals or groups throughout the area of jurisdiction of the Board;
- ii) submit the process, in writing, to the Director of Education for approval;
- iii) implement the naming process once approval to proceed has been granted by the Director of Education;
- iv) upon completion of the naming process, through consensus, provide a written recommendation of up to three names, to the Director of Education, for consideration by the Board.

CHOICE OF NAME

The name for a school will be chosen from:

- a) the name of the street on which the school is located;
- b) a feature of the district which the school serves;
- c) an historical name that once applied to the area; and/or
- d) wording that is supportive of the Board's mission, vision and values and meets the best interests of the school's students.

NAMING A SECTION OR AREA OF A SCHOOL

After consulting with the Director of Education or designate, the naming of a section or area of a school must be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Schools or sections thereof, shall not be named or renamed after current Board members or employees.