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POLICY STATEMENT:

The Board of Trustees has a responsibility to act as advocates on behalf of the ratepayers. Advocacy involves telling our story with the purpose of soliciting support for our students, system and Catholic Education. As per Ministry of Education directive **2006; B15 School Board Expenditure Guidelines**, advocacy activities will not use students, report cards or annual reports **2006; B15 School Board Expenditure Guidelines** as vehicles for Board or school advocacy to the public, education partners or government. The Board will not expend Board funds for specific political party events, recruit students from other boards, provide inaccurate information, or use paid advertising or communications with parents, teachers, or students for the sole purpose of advocating the government or other education partners.

Action however may, result from the activities of the members of the Board of trustees directly, or indirectly through supporting the activities of groups like the Ontario Catholic School Trustees Association (OCSTA), the Ontario Catholic Supervisory Officers Association (OCSOA) or the Ontario Catholic School Business Officials (OCSBOA).

