

PIAC Fall Conference Planning Working Group REPORT

Working Group	Annual Parent Conference (2018)
Date	October 15, 2018
Description/Objective	<p>PIAC hosts an annual Parents Make a Difference Conference each year in the fall. The goal of the conference is to promote and support parent engagement in their children’s education.</p> <p>The conference offers workshops, networking, and information from various educational organizations to all parents/guardians with children in the TDSB and community members.</p>
Update	<p>*Meeting for this working group took place on September 17, 27 and October 11 2018 at 5050 Yonge Street in Committee rooms B and C</p> <p>In attendance: Nazerah Shaikh (W13 Rep) Sept. 17, 27 and Oct. 11 Sharon Beason Sept 17 and 27 Christopher Levien Sept. 17, 27 and Oct. 11 Payal Khazanchi Sept. 17 Seema Mitchell Sept. 17, 27 and Oct. 11 Zena Shereck (W5 Rep) Sept. 17, 27 and Oct. 11 Maritza Guzman Sept. 17, 27 and Oct. 11 Amanda Cain Sept. 17 Sima Komeilinejad Sept. 17 and 27</p> <p>Guest(s) Felicia Lau Sept. 17, and 27 Vivek Rao Sept. 27 John Bakous Sept. 17, 27 and Oct. 11 Mirian Turcios Sept. 17 and Oct. 11</p> <p>*Workshop Format **Two additional workshops to be added that would take place throughout the whole day of the conference.</p> <p>1 School Council (run all day 2 am and 2 pm session) 2 Engaging in your school and Board(run all day 2 am and 2 pm session)</p> <p>A schedule for the day has been confirmed, it is:</p> <p>8:00 am-9:00 am Registration 9:00 am-9:45 am Workshop 1 10:00 am-10:45 am Workshop 2</p>

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	<p>11:00 am- 12:00 pm Large Welcome and Keynote Speaker</p> <p>12:00 pm- 12:45 pm Lunch</p> <p>1:00 pm- 1:45 pm Workshop 3</p> <p>2:00 pm-2:45 pm Workshop 4</p> <p>3:00 pm- 3:30 pm Thank you and Wrap Up</p> <p>3:30 pm- 4:00 pm Depart for busses</p> <p>*There will be 29 workshops this year, more than half of the presenters have been confirmed. The keynote speaker will be an Indigenous speaker by the name of Mahlikah Awe:ri Enml'ga't Saqama'sgw (The Woman Who Walks In The Light)</p> <p>Vendors</p> <p>*The Marketplace and the Parent Community Engagement Lounge would be open from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm.</p> <p>* A call has been sent out to all vendors of the Board both not for profit and for profit. The deadline for interest to vend in the marketplace is October 26th.</p> <p>Conference Poster</p> <p>*The design was approved by the working group and has been sent to the printer. The poster will be sent out to school the principals of 600 schools as soon as possible. The group also discussed other locations such as libraries and community centres where posters could be placed to reach more parents and inform them of the conference.</p> <p>Volunteers</p> <p>*We have started to compile a list of roles that we will need to be filled and we will be looking at the roles from conferences past to make sure that we are covered for areas in need of support before during and after the event.</p> <p>*An information session for volunteers for those who are able to make it will be planned for the conference this year to lessen the amount of confusion on the day of the conference.</p> <p>*The principal at Earl Haig has been contacted to request student volunteers.</p> <p>4) Catering TDSB will be providing breakfast and lunch for both children and adults. We are still looking to see if we will be able to spend on the</p>
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	<p>catering of baked goods from the Lakeshore Collegiate Culinary Programme for the School Community Engagement Lounge.</p> <p>5) Budget We have received the amounts for catering (estimated) and for the childminding coordinator and guest speaker. At the costs for catering and our guest speaker are under the amounts spent for the 2017 conference.</p> <p>Date for the next meeting will be Thursday October 25th.</p>
Motion(s)	None at this time
Question(s)	None at this time
Next Steps and Action items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Open registration *Confirm who will be vending *Confirm the remaining workshop presenters *Outline volunteer tasks and call out for volunteers for the conference as well as pre and post conference tasks *Confirm a volunteer coordinator
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