

PIAC Working Group Report

Working Group	Motion by D. Williams, PIAC Ward 10 Representative
Date	December 8, 2016
Description/Objective	<i>[This is a brief standard description of the working group that will always be present on every form. It will allow for new members to easily understand the purpose of the group.]</i> N/A
Update	<i>[This section will be the main substance of the form where updates since the last meeting can be included. It should be in bullet form to make it easy to read and reference.]</i> RATIONALE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In keeping with Indigenous Protocol and building respectful relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples in Canada, it is customary to acknowledge the Traditional Territories/Ancstral Lands of Aboriginal peoples. • Since September 2016, the respective acknowledgement is made in TDSB schools daily as part of opening exercises. • This acknowledgment can also be made at the beginning of events, gatherings and meetings. • Since June 2015, meetings at TDSB begin with an Acknowledgement of Traditional and Ancestral lands of Indigenous peoples
Motion(s)	<i>[This section will include any formal motions the working group wants to bring forward to PIAC.]</i> I MOVE THAT at PIAC meetings the first item on the agenda be Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands and Territories by a PIAC Co-Chair or designate PIAC member reading the following (or the respective acknowledgement corresponding to the meeting location): “I would like to acknowledge that we are situated upon traditional territories. The territories include the Wendat (wen-dat), Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nation, the Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-sho-nee) Confederacy, the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nations, and the Métis (may-tee) Nation. The treaty that was signed for this particular parcel of land is collectively referred to as the Toronto Purchase and applies to lands east of Brown’s Line to Woodbine Avenue and north towards Newmarket. I also recognize the enduring presence of Aboriginal peoples on this land.”
Question(s)	<i>[This section is for less formal questions to pose to the PIAC group.]</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
Next Steps and Action items	Request that the motion be seconded, open to discussion and voted on by PIAC members.
Co-lead(s)	N/A
Working Group Members	N/A