# Name of Committee: Inner City Community Advisory Committee (ICCAC)

**Meeting Date**: **17 February 2022**

Notes

## Attendance: via Zoom:

Trustee Michelle Aarts, Co-Chair; Diane Banks, Toronto Public Library; Rachel Chernos Lin, Trustee Ward 11; Trixie Doyle, Trustee Ward; 14; Josette Holness, City of Toronto; michael kerr, Colour of Poverty Colour of Change; Omar Khan, Parent; Lynne LeBlanc, Guest; Dan MacLean, Trustee Ward 2; Emmy Pantin, Parent Co-Chair; Sejal Patel, Ryerson University; Robert Spencer, Parent; Crystal Stewart, Parent; Fiona Yang, Catholic Crosscultural Services

Also present were: David Forrester, Community Support Worker, LC1; Hugh Keane, Community Support Worker LC3; Rukiya Mohamed, Coordinator, The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement and MSIC; Omar Omar, Community Support Worker LC2; Duane Spencer, Community Support Worker LC4; Sandy Spyropoulos, Executive Superintendent LC4

The following participated by electronic means: Trustee Michelle Aarts, Co-Chair; Diane Banks, Toronto Public Library; Rachel Chernos Lin, Trustee Ward 11; Trixie Doyle, Trustee Ward; 14; Josette Holness, City of Toronto; michael kerr, Colour of Poverty Colour of Change; Omar Khan, Parent; Lynne LeBlanc, Guest; Dan MacLean, Trustee Ward 2; Emmy Pantin, Parent Co-Chair; Sejal Patel, Ryerson University; Robert Spencer, Parent; Crystal Stewart, Parent; Fiona Yang, Catholic Crosscultural Services; David Forrester, Community Support Worker, LC1; Hugh Keane, Community Support Worker LC3; Rukiya Mohamed, Coordinator, The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement and MSIC; Omar Omar, Community Support Worker LC2; Duane Spencer, Community Support Worker LC4; Sandy Spyropoulos, Executive Superintendent LC4

## Regrets:

Anna Kay Brown, Jane Finch Education Action Group; Laurie Green, St. Michael’s Hospital; Cherie Mordecai Steer, Parent; Ingrid Palmer, Parent; Aamir Sukhera, The Neighbourhood Organization

| **ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **RECOMMENDATION/ MOTION** |
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| Call to Order / Quorum | Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. |  |
| Welcome and Introductions of new and returning members. Setting meeting norms | Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and introductions were made. |  |
| Approval of Agenda | The agenda was approved. |  |
| Declarations of Possible Conflicts of Interest | No conflicts of interest were declared. |  |
| Review and Approval of the Notes – January 20, 2022 | The notes from January 20, 2022 were approved. |  |
| Co-Chairs’ Report | Emmy Pantin informed the Committee that staff in the Parent and Community Engagement Office are looking for volunteers to join the Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference Planning Committee.  Omar Khan volunteered to join the Planning Committee.  Trustee Aarts informed the Committee that the Ministry would be announcing the 2022/23 Grants for Students Needs (GSN) funding on February 17, 2022. |  |
| MSIC Update | Rukiya Mohamed provided the MSIC Update. She informed the members that there was a meeting with United Way to get partnership programs with them started. She also informed the Committee of the many other programs and professional learning opportunities taking place across the district for all staff and schools. |  |
| CAC Annual Report | The ICCAC Annual Report for 2021/2022 was approved. |  |
| Re-Imagining ICCAC | Trustee Aarts informed the members that starting with the March 2022 meeting there would be a small part of each meeting set aside, as a Standing Item on the agenda, for ongoing Equity and Anti-Racism training and that the June 2022 meeting would be held for a culminating training session.  Trustee Aarts also shared the mandates of the other CACs with the Committee. She asked members to review these and bring ideas to change ICCACs mandate to the next meeting for discussion.    It was suggested that a Google Survey be created to gather ideas on the mandate and name change. It was also suggested that it would be best to wait until the mandate was confirmed to assist with the changing of the Committee’s name. |  |
| Business Arising from January 20 meeting   * Motions/Recommendations | Omar Khan brought forward, from the January 20, 2022 meeting, a recommendation to ask the TDSB to review the LOI policy before the end of the 2022 calendar year. | Omar Khan moved the following recommendation be made, Robert Spencer seconded the recommendation and the Committee confirmed the recommendation:  WHEREAS P067 Learning Opportunities Index (LOI) Policy is a crucial tool in fulfilling the TDSB’s equity goals by recognizing the level of socio-demographic need within community schools, and determining funding for many equity commitments of the board, and  WHEREAS the review of P067 Learning Opportunities Index (LOI) Policy review has been delayed (as per the Policy Review Schedule) to the 2022-23 review cycle, and  WHEREAS, the introduction of specialized programs to Model Schools, such as French or Gifted, can impact LOI calculations regardless of the demographic of the home school catchment, and  WHEREAS the ICCAC has an LOI policy work group reviewing the LOI, Model Schools funding, and the impact of TDSB programs changes on the LOI assessment of community schools, with the aim to provide a report to ICCAC in the 2021-2022 academic year, and  Be it resolved that, the ICCAC asks the TDSB to commit to beginning review of the P067 LOI policy before December 2022. |
| CSW Update | Omar Omar, Community Support Worker LC2, provided the CSW Update. He informed the Committee that the [MSIC Ambassador Program](https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/csws/parentacademy/model-schools-ambassadors?authuser=0) continues to be a resounding success with many of the 33 participants now being presenters for other parents/caregivers at workshops.  Omar also informed the Committee that school councils across the district are using the 2021/2022 PRO Grant by holding workshops and events related to Anti-Oppression, Anti-Racism, Anti-Black Racism and Anti-Indigenous Racism.  Omar mentioned that there are still ongoing Parent/Caregiver Academies taking place across the district with workshops such as book reading clubs, self-regulation strategy seminars, “Raise a Reader” groups, and support with income tax preparation and completion. |  |
| Working Group Updates   * Membership * LOI * Child Care * Communication | * Trustee Aarts informed the Committee that she will be reviewing the membership by reaching out to members who have not been able to attend meetings regularly to see if they’re still interested.   Emmy Pantin joined the Membership Working Group   * Omar Khan informed the Committee that the LOI Working Group has met a few times and will be bringing a report to the April 2022 meeting on the work that has been taking place. * Robert Spencer informed the Committee that he has been in communication with Trustee Manna Wong, Trustee Co-Chair of EYCAC and that he will be attending its June meeting and will bring a report back to ICCAC. |  |
| Other Business | There was a discussion on the effects of the Pandemic on the learning and mental health and well-being of students.  Information from the [TDSB Pandemic Recovery Plan](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/School-Year-2021-22/Pandemic-Recovery-Plan) was shared with the members. |  |
| Next Meeting | Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. |  |
| **Adjournment** | Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 11:15 a.m. |  |