



# Statutory Committee

**Name of Committee:** Parent Involvement Advisory Committee

**Meeting Date:** February 18, 2020

A meeting of the Parent Involvement Advisory Committee convened on February 18 2020 from 7: 05 p.m. to 9:38 p.m. in the Board Room at 5050 Yonge Street, with PIAC Co-chair D.Williams & interim Co-chair Andrew Waters

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**Attendance:** Vivek Rao (EPW2 Rep), Shafoli Kapur (EP W2 Alt), Felicia Lau (W3 Rep), Sharon Grant (EP W4 Rep), Patricia Seedial (EP W4 Alt), Jaimala(EP W5 Alt), Mirian Turcios (W6 Rep), Alice Romo (W7 Rep), Kaydeen Bankasingh (W8 Rep), John Bakos (EP W8 Alt), Andrew Waters (W9 Rep), Cecile Farnum (W9 Alt), Sylvester Witter (EP W10 Rep), Wilmar Kortleever(W11 Rep); Janice Barnett(W11 Alt), Hanniya Sheikh (EP W12 Rep), Eva Rosenstock (EPW12 Alt); Aretha Phillip (W13 Rep), Nazerah Shaikh (W14 Rep) Jenny Gannon (W14 Alt), Sharleen Ahmed (W15 Rep), Kate Leuschen Millar (W16 Rep),Rebekah Quach (W16 Alt), Glenna Wellington (EP W17 Alt), Seema Mitchell(W18 Rep), Mark Ramcharan ( EP W18 Alt), Abdullah Mamun (W19 Rep), Shanti Chand ( W19 Alt),Chris Levien(W 20 Rep), Zuojun Han(EP W 20 Alt), Kajani Ravindradas(W21 Rep), D.Williams (PIAC Co-Chair), Trustee Rachel Chernos Lin, Trustee Trixie Doyle, Trustee Dan Macleen, David Anderson(Parent W12)

**Staff:** Loucia Fraser-Bascom(Assistant Officer - Occup Health &Safety), Latha John (Committee Assistant); Kevin Hodgkinson(Transportation), Michelle Munroe (Central Coordinator, PCEO), Erin Pallett (Media Staff), Associate Director Colleen Russell-Rawlins, Craig Snider ( Executive Officer), Patrick Mohammed(Occupational Health & Safety)

**Regrets:** Jess Hungate(W5 Rep), Dean Gray ( W 6 alt), Neil Faba(W15 Alt),Nadia Judunath(W22 Alt), Kabirul Mollah (Toronto Bangladeshi CLG), Zena Shereck (PIAC Co-Chair)

**Absent:** Jessica Ruiz (EP W1 Rep), Faduma Qalinle (EP Ward 1 Alt), Saira Somani (W3 Alt), Syed Sumar Alam(W13 Alt), Pargat Mudher (W17 Rep) Nicole Marshall(W22 Rep), Nadia Judunath(W22 Alt)

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ITEM	DISCUSSION	MOTION	RECOMMENDATION
<p>Welcome &amp; Introductions</p> <p>Approval of Quorum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands</li> <li>• Declarations of Membership</li> <li>• Code of Conduct</li> </ul>	<p>Andrew Waters joined as interim Co-Chair for Zena Shereck Co-chair who sends her regrets for the meeting.</p> <p>Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands was done by Chair Williams.</p> <p>The committee was reminded of the code of conduct at meetings.</p>	<p>Quorum was achieved.</p>	
<p>Declaration of Actual, Perceived, or Potential Conflict of interest</p>	<p>None Declared</p>	<p>Wilmar K Ward 11 Rep declared himself as TDSB Staff</p>	
<p>Approval of Agenda</p>		<p>Motion for approval of the agenda by Chris L, 2nd by Janice B</p> <p>All in favour, motion carried.</p>	
<p>Approval of Minutes January 21, 2020</p>		<p>Motion to approve the January 21 minutes by Cecile F, 2nd by Janice B.</p> <p>All in favour, motion carried.</p>	
<p>PIAC Co-Chair Update</p>	<p>Communications on labour disruptions and negotiations.</p>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staffs have formed a contingency team to make the decisions on the operations and directions during labour negotiations.</li> <li>• PIAC members had raised concerns on lack of communication, staff responded and took action.</li> <li>• Information has gone out to all schools clarifying on the activities that can be done by schools and school councils.</li> </ul> <p>PSSC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PSSC is on Feb 19, 2020</li> <li>• PIAC Chair Williams to attend the meeting representing PIAC.</li> </ul>		
<p>Update on GSN Consultation</p> <p>Bell Times</p>	<p>GSN Consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The final draft report as approved by the Board was presented to the committee.</li> </ul> <p><b>Bell Times</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff presented a timeline on implementing the change to school start time in September 2020 for certain schools.</li> <li>• Staff to report on the list of schools in the March PIAC meeting.</li> </ul> <p><b>Discussion</b> What is the profile of effected schools?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The priorities were</li> </ul>		

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	<p>done through software to reroute for more efficient managing of time and bus routes and are not based on school profile.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The benefits also include environmental saving on carbon dioxide emissions.</li> <li>• Level of service remains the same, the changes is to the time of service.</li> </ul>		
<p>Lead water testing process Patrick &amp; Lousia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Every year thousands of water samples are tested. All testing has to be done has to be done between May and October as defined in the legislation by the Ministry.</li> <li>• Every exceedance in the level of lead in water is reported to Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Environment.</li> <li>• As per the standards set by the Ministry there are different procedures for different readings.</li> <li>• Staff presented the answers to questions from the January</li> </ul>		

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	<p>PIAC meeting.</p> <p>Discussion The signs for Handwashing at water source should also include the information that the water is not to be consumed.</p> <p>The water testing link on the school websites does not function.</p> <p><i>The requirement by the Ministry of Education is the information is posted at the school binder.</i></p> <p><i>The board is working with communication department on the water testing link.</i></p> <p>Q. Why are there different lead levels at different water sources in the same school?</p> <p><i>A. Lead leaching happens from the fittings. Regular flushing of the water drastically reduces lead levels in water.</i></p> <p>Feedback Information and communication on water sources should be provided to all who use schools; elementary students, non-English speaking students, school communities, permit holders, school council activities and community programs.</p>		

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	Designations of drinking water places are not accessible for community activities.		
Working Group (WG) Reports			
Membership WG	<p>The WG lead highlighted the following Newly elected PIAC members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nadia Judunath (W22 Alt) - Feb 2020</li> <li>• Abdullah Mamun (W19 Rep) - Feb 2020</li> <li>• Shanti Chand (W19 Alt) - Feb 2020</li> </ul> <p>Vacancies PIAC membership has two ward vacancies currently for Ward 10 Alt and Ward 21 Alt.</p> <p>The following PIAC members terms to expire.</p> <p>(1) Vivek Rao (W2 Rep) - February 2020  (2) Shafoli Kapur (W2 Alt) - February 2020  (3) Haniya Sheikh (W12 Rep) - February 2020 –  (4) Eva Rosenstock (W12 Alt) - February 2020 –  (5) Nazerah Shaikh (W14</p>		

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	<p>Rep) - March 2020 –</p> <p>Working group sign up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 PIAC members have signed up for the PIAC's WGs</li> <li>• PIAC members were encouraged to invite parents and community members from their wards to join the non-governance WGs.</li> </ul>		
Budget	<p>The budget WG presented the report with budget ideas and the summary on the funds as allocated to PIAC by the Ministry for 2019-2020 school year.</p> <p>The committee discussed in detail on the motion as presented and a friendly amendment to the motion was done.</p>	<p>Motion by Andrew W that PIAC approves the list of expenditures in order to spend the budget surplus of \$15K.</p> <p>The motion was 2nd by Kate L.</p> <p><i>Friendly amendment to the motion</i></p> <p>Motion by Andrew W that PIAC approves the list of expenditures in order to spend the budget surplus of \$10K. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kate L.</p> <p>In favour:17  Abstentions :3  Opposed : 0  Motion carried</p>	

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	<p>The committee decided to have a separate motion on the facilitator cost or team building workshop sessions or leadership training for the annual planning session.</p>	<p>Motion by Andrew K to table the \$5000 for the facilitator for the annual planning session, the motion was 2nd by the Nazerah S.</p> <p><i>Friendly amendment to the motion</i></p> <p>Motion by Andrew K to table the \$5000 for the facilitator/ trainer or leadership session for the annual planning session and be added to annual planning budget, the motion was 2nd by the Sharlene A.</p> <p>In favour :16  Abstaination:4  Opposed: 0  Motion passes.</p>	
<p>Communication WG</p>	<p>The WG lead presented the report to the committee. The lead requested for more participation from PIAC members in the WG.</p> <p>Event dates  Members were requested to forward all parent events at their wards to the communication and Outreach WG leads who will post them on the PIAC calendar.</p>		



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Consultation WG	<p>The WG presented the report to the committee. The WG is currently working on two consultations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. PO23</li> <li>2. FAQs for the Specialty Schools and Programs Policy.</li> </ol> <p>WG lead The WG is looking for a lead and a description and expectations for the WG lead was shared with the committee.</p>		
Parent participation in the Vice-Principal interview process(PVP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The PVP training took place on Feb 11, 2020.</li> <li>• 61 parents had registered for the training and 18 parents had attended the training.</li> <li>• 10 previously trained parents have confirmed availability.</li> <li>• Total of 28 parents for this session of PVP.</li> <li>• PIAC member who were previously trained may be requested as backup.</li> </ul> <p>Action <i>PIAC requested to staff on the feasibility of online training for parents for the PVP.</i> <i>PVP policy review update was requested from staff</i></p>		

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School Schedule	<p>A report was presented that recommended a 7 day school schedule and its benefits.</p> <p>The board currently follows a 5 day schedule.</p> <p>The 7 day schedule was followed at other Boards such as the Halton Board.</p> <p>The committee requested for staff to report back on feasibility on the recommendation.</p>		
Trustee Report- Trustee Chernos Lin	<p>Board updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Chair of the Board wrote to the Ontario Public Health requesting translation of all materials relating to the Coronavirus.</li> </ul> <p>Mandatory E-Learning Survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The survey on mandatory e-learning was done with secondary students, teachers, parents and guardians.</li> <li>• The results show that most of the respondents do not support the government's plan for mandatory e-learning requirement for graduation.</li> <li>• The Chair of the Board has sent a letter to the Ministry sharing the results of the survey.</li> </ul> <p>TDSB Pulse Who designs the surveys for</p>		

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	<p>TDSB Pulse?  <i>It is designed by an outside organization.</i>  <i>PIAC can request TDSB communication staff to present more information.</i></p>		
<p>Director of Education Report</p>	<p>Labour update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During labour sanctions senior staff team members and managers meet on a daily basis to address on operational issues in schools.</li> <li>• Staff to communicate with PIAC on a weekly basis to provide an update or answer questions on the labour sanctions.</li> <li>• Principal's workloads have increased significantly. Superintendents are the next best contact for parents after principals.</li> <li>• Principals had provided feedback to the contingency team, the focus was to maintain day to day activities, challenges and focus on student learning.</li> <li>• For elementary school, staff to prioritize student learning activities in the classroom until the work sanctions has concluded.</li> <li>• Principals and staff who are not under labour sanction are required to maintain student safety and learning at schools and are not required to support all other activities</li> </ul>		

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	<p>as previously supported.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Principals may decide to use the support of volunteers for other activities outside instructional time to continue.</li> <li>• Ward forums or school council meeting may continue. For meetings taking place on a strike day should be postponed or relocated to a secondary school with the support of the principal.</li> </ul>		
PCEO	<p>PAP conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The planning is ongoing for the event; staff continues to monitor the implications that the labour sanctions may have on the event.</li> </ul> <p>Protocol of the school messenger</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staffs are working on the draft on the protocol. Staff to report once the IT confirms.</li> </ul> <p>PRO Grant <i>Staff to update on PRO Grant.</i></p> <p>School Statement of Needs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff considering that School Statement of Needs be posted on school website, PIAC can provide feedback to Michelle Munroe.</li> </ul> <p>PO23</p>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The online public engagement link to be shared with PIAC.</li> <li>• Request for participation on the consultations and distribute the link broadly.</li> </ul>		
Ward update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint Ward 15 &amp; 16 Forum at Earl Haig on February 20</li> <li>• Ward 4 has a Successful School council summit took place on February 13.</li> <li>• Joint Ward 5, 8 &amp; 12 Forum on PO23 consultations on March 5.</li> </ul>		
New Business	None		
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn at 9:38 by Cecile F, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Sharleen H. All in favor, motion passed		