

PIAC Co-Chairs Report

December 2019

PROGRAM AND SCHOOL SERVICES COMMITTEE (PSSC)

The co-chairs will be attending the next PSSC meeting on Thursday, January 16th at 5050 Yonge Street in Committee Room A.

Please note that the agenda and the full reports received at all PSSC meetings are available on the TDSB website on the Leadership Boardroom page found here <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Leadership/Boardroom/Agenda-Minutes>

TDSB POLICY REVIEWS

A large number of policies are in the process of review and started as early as September 11, 2019.

Some policy reviews happening right now or early in 2020 are:

Secondary Program Review, this review is currently taking place. For more information about this policy and its background as well as access to an online survey to provide feedback please follow the link You can also provide feedback by completing the following survey:

<http://surveys.tdsb.on.ca/index.php?r=survey/index&sid=392394&lang=en>. This survey will be online until January 31, 2020.

Review of the Attendance at Schools Outside of Designated Attendance Area (formerly Optional Attendance) (P013) is currently taking place. A survey is available online to receive feedback from the community.

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Policies-Procedures-Forms/Policy-Consultations>

Parent and Community Involvement P023

Transportation of Students P020

Advertising P006

Distribution and Display of Materials for Students and Parents From External Groups P041

Fundraising P021

Many policies are currently in phase two of the policy review process. Please refer to the link below on the TDSB website for the complete list.

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Portals/0/docs/Policy%20Review%20Schedule%20-%20November%204%202019.pdf>

OTHER UPDATES

PARENTS AS PARTNERS CONFERENCE

The Parents as Partners planning committee met on Monday, December 16th by teleconference from 6pm to 8pm. PIAC will be presenting six workshops at the conference. The workshops still to be confirmed are those which were popular with attendees at the conference hosted by PIAC in November 2019. The Parents as Partners Conference will be taking place on Saturday, March 28th more details about the location of the conference to follow in January 2020. The next conference planning committee meeting will be taking place on January 20th at 5050 Yonge Street at 6pm.

WORKING GROUPS

A reminder to all PIAC members that our bylaws state that all members must participate on at least one working group. If you have not yet signed up for a working group, please fill out the online form at <https://forms.gle/SBBAvhf6PN4SfXXU9> asap. If you have any questions about the working groups, please contact the co-chairs at info@torontopiac.com

PIAC POST

Our PIAC Communications and Outreach Working Group continues to share information within our Ward communities highlighting PIAC and TDSB initiatives and consultations that come forward from month to month. The PIAC POST is emailed monthly to all PIAC members. There may be instances where a request from the Board, or from PIAC, to consult with families within a short amount of time may require a quick POST update to be sent out, in order to gather that feedback or participation needed.

Please, look out for this monthly newsletter in your email and share it with those in your communities (ensure your email accounts are updated with our Committee Assistant, Latha John, to receive your copy of the PIAC POST).

PIAC Meeting Dates for 2020, all meetings start at 7 pm (with dinner 6:30 pm)

January 21, 2020

February 18, 2020

March 10, 2020

April 21, 2020

May 19, 2020

June 16, 2020

As a reminder, if you are unable to attend a meeting, please contact info@torontopiac.com. As per PIAC bylaws, members who miss either (a) three (3) or more consecutive Committee Meetings without advising apologies for absence, or (b) a total of four (4) Committee Meetings in any fiscal year, may be removed from their seat.