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

**Meeting Date**: **16 February 2023**

Notes

## Attendance (via Zoom):

Trustee Alexis Dawson, Ward 9; Omar Khan, Community Member; Ayan Kailie, Parent; Cherie Mordecai Steer, Community Member; Robert Spencer, Community Member; Ingrid Palmer, Parent; michael kerr, Colour of Poverty, Colour of Change; Wendy Hernandez, The Neighbourhood Organization; Laurie Green, St. Michael’s Hospital; Michael Lacey, Toronto Public Health; Sejal Patel, Toronto Metropolitan University; Farhana Jogiat, Catholic Crosscultural Services

Also present were: Ricardo Francis, Community Support Worker LC 1; Esthela Cuenca, Community Support Worker LC 2; Nura Aman, Community Support Worker LC 4; David Forrester, Community Support Worker LC 1; Karen Murray, System Superintendent, Equity, Anti-Racism, Anti-Oppression and Early Years; Stephanie Fearon, Coordinator, Model Schools for Inner Cities / Equity, Anti-Racism and Anti-Oppression; Michelle Munroe, Central Coordinator, Parent and Community Engagement; Robin Liu Hopson, Director: Policy and Research, People for Education; Jack Nigro, Executive Superintendent LC 2;

## Regrets:

Trustee Matias De Dovitiis, Ward 4; Crystal Stewart, Community Member; Anna Kay Brown, Jane Finch Education Action Group; Josette Holness, City of Toronto; Vicky Tourkolias, Toronto Public Library; Lynn Strangway, Executive Superintendent LC 3;

| **ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **RECOMMENDATION/ MOTION** |
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| Call to Order / Quorum | Meeting was called to order at 9:06 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 – December 15, 2022 | The notes from January 19, 2023, were approved. |  |
| Co-Chairs’ Report | Trustee Dawson and Omar Khan presented the Co-Chairs report.  The Trustee Co-Chair provided an update from the February 1, 2023, Board meeting, including and update on the 23/24 Budget process, an update on the MYSSP, and the passing of a motion to make the Grade 11 compulsory English credit based on Indigenous texts.  The Trustee Co-Chair also spoke to her participation in TDSB activities, including TDSB Creates and African Heritage Month celebrations.  The Parent Co-Chair discussed attending FBEC and his deputation based on equity funding. The Parent Co-Chair also shared updates from the Thought Exchange presented by the Parent and Community Engagement office. |  |
| Overview of the People for Education Equity Report | Robin Liu Hopson, Director: Policy and Research, People for Education provided an overview of the People for Education Equity Report which addresses anti-racism as a social construct. |  |
| CSW Update  Update on CSWs in Secondary | Ricardo Francis and Esthela Cuenca, CSW’s for LC 1 and LC 4, provided the CSW update.    Michelle Munroe, Central Coordinator, Parent and Community Engagement, provided an overview of CSW’s as they pertain to the Secondary level. |  |
| MSIC Update | Karen Murray, System Superintendent, Equity, Anti-Racism, Anti-Oppression and Early Years, and Stephanie Fearon, Coordinator, Model Schools for Inner Cities / Equity, Anti-Racism and Anti-Oppression, gave a presentation that included various updates, including:   * February’s Theme of “Black Joy” * Strengthening the commitment to the rights of those of African descent * List of the Black History Month activities taking place: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Portals/0/docs/BHM_MENU_2023.pdf> |  |
| Business Arising from January 19   * Motions/Recommendations: |  |  |
| Working Group Updates   * Membership * LOI * Child Care | Trustee co-chair Dawson provided an update on Membership and asked current members to suggest possible individuals/organisations that might be interested in participating as members on ICCAC. |  |
| Other Business | There was no other business discussed. |  |
| Next Meeting | Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. |  |
| **Adjournment** | Thursday, February 16, 2023, 11:00 a.m. |  |