



Name of Committee: Parent Involvement Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024

A Parent Involvement Advisory Committee meeting convened via Zoom on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, 7 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. With PIAC Co-Chairs Sharon Grant & Zena Shereck

<p>Attendance:</p> <p>Trustee:</p> <p>Staff:</p> <p>Guests:</p>	<p>Erin Clarke (W1), Sarah Ali (W2), Jessica Ruiz (W4), Tamasha Grant (W4), Crystal Stewart (W6), Mercy Charles (W6), Kaydeen Bankasingh (W8), Melanie Medeiros-Sims (W9), Janice Barnett (W11), Susan Lee (W12), Liesha Earle (W12) Jenny Zeng (W13), Jenny Gannon (W14), Melanie Ward (W14), Mohammad Yousuf (W15), Nicole Williams (W17), Tanya Stephens(W17); Tanya Ono (W17), Seema Mitchell (W18), Shanti Chand (W19), Moosa (W19) Chris Levien (W20), Abdul Azeem Mohammed (W21), Nadia Judunath (W22),), Sharon Grant (PIAC Co-Chair), Zena Shereck (PIAC Co-Chair),</p> <p>Trustee Matias De Dovitiis</p> <p>Audley Salmon, Associate Director, Shirley Chan, Executive Superintendent Uton Robinson, Exec Superintendent, Michelle Munroe, Central Coordinator, PCCEO</p> <p>Norbert Costa, Centrally Assigned Principal, Trustee D. Williams</p>
<p>Regrets:</p> <p>Absent:</p>	<p>Brue Oylowe (W10), Alice Romo (W7)</p> <p>Frances Shawera (W2), Saira Somani (W3), Sandreen Porter (W5), Ayan Kaillie (W7), Anshu Grover (W8), Karin Trajcevski (W9), Manna Begum (W10), Charles Zhu (W11),) Jennifer Volk (W15), Zuojun Han (W20), Nicole Marshall (W22), Towhid Noman (Community Liaison Group (CLG)</p>

ITEM	DISCUSSION	MOTION	RECOMMENDATION
<p>Welcome & Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Quorum Land Acknowledgment: Code of Conduct <p>Meeting Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflict of interest Change in Membership status Approval of Consent Agenda & Minutes of December 12, 2023 	<p>The quorum was confirmed by the membership committee Co-Chairs.</p> <p>The Land Acknowledgement was read by Zena S.</p> <p>The code of conduct and expectations were reviewed by Zena S.</p> <p>No conflict of interest declared</p> <p>No change in membership status was declared.</p>	<p>The Minutes of December 12, 2023, were approved.</p>	
<p>Co-Chairs Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizational Committee Membership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Co-chair welcomed everyone back to the 2024 school year Rescheduling of PIAC Orientation session-Saturday January 20, 2024, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Earl Haig SS, 100 Princess Ave. The session will address information on PIAC operations, & discussion on the Strategic Plan TDSB 2024/2025 Calendar Committee meeting attended by the Co-Chairs to review the 2024/2025 planning meeting. Co-Chairs will provide an update following the February calendar meeting PIAC School Council Conference registration is now live. The Conference will be held on Saturday, February 03, 		

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	<p>2024, at Earl Haig SS. PIAC members are encouraged to attend and volunteer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PIAC Working Group schedule is being revised and will be published to the membership soon. All members are required to sign up for a working Group, whether non-governance (School Council, Events, Membership, communications) or Governance (Organizational committee) • PIAC Self-Evaluation is submitted within the PIAC Annual report. The Evaluation seeks feedback from the membership as to the culture of the committee. The 22/23 report will be completed soon 		
<p>Trustee Report</p> Trustee Report	<p>Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP)</p> <p>A report was presented to the Board of Trustees. The MYSP outlines the board's priorities identified via broad consultations. The report is tracking to the Planning and Priority Committee meeting on January 22nd. This will be the last draft before approval in February 2024.</p> <p>Motion to Review Cell Phone and Device Use Policy at the TDSB</p> <p>To be dealt with on January 17th, 2024, at the Governance and Policy Committee:</p> <p>(a) That the 2023-2024 policy review schedule be amended to accommodate the development of a new cell phone/mobile device policy to support student success and well-being</p> <p>(b) That the new policy build on the Ministry of Education’s PPM128 and PR585, Board Code</p>		

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	<p>of Conduct and be based on the growing body of research on cell phone use and child development, as well as a jurisdictional scan of how school boards and individual schools are approaching this challenge to determine the most productive way forward to support students</p> <p>Funding for Daycare Construction</p> <p>The state of a funding commitment for daycares for 17 daycares in TDSB schools from the Provincial government has been dismal. As reported the TDSB has not been able to start construction on any of these projects for the last 6 years, even after having made significant commitments to self-fund the projects.</p> <p>2024-25 Budget</p> <p>The budget process is scheduled to start on February 14th, 2024. This will be the first student needs budget since the TDSB amalgamated over 20 years ago.</p>		

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<p>Senior Staff Update</p> <p>Festivals and Celebrations in December</p> <p>Presentation: Continuing Education & International Languages Presentation - Norbert Costa, Centrally Assigned Principal, Continuing Education</p>	<p>At the February meeting staff will present on the Math strategy and parents/caregivers' role. Today's presentation is on Continuing Education</p> <p>Please see the slide deck for details.</p> <p>Q&A</p> <p>Q. How do students who need to write the SSLT proceed?</p> <p>A. They begin with the home school first if not connect with Con Ed can offer a semester or term course</p> <p>Q. What courses are offered for adults?</p> <p>A. If twenty-one and over want a diploma they can do so at adult day school. Subjects, English, math, etc. Also, Prior Learning Assessment (PLAR)... prior experience can be used to earn credits to achieve a diploma. Those interested can attend any adult day school or night school credit program. Con Ed also, offers general interest programs for a service fee and it is open for enrolment via the Learn for Life program. Visit www.learn4life.ca</p> <p>Q. Have there been changes in the International Language program?</p> <p>A. Yes, enrolment was affected during the pandemic, and we have seen a decrease. Post-pandemic we continue to offer the programs where there is a need and available.</p>		

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<p>Presentation: Continuing Education and International Languages</p>	<p>Q. What is required to teach TESL? A university degree is required to apply to TESL, which is offered yearly.</p> <p>Q. Are there shareables from Con Ed?</p> <p>A. Yes, information will be shared with PCCEO for distribution to the committee</p> <p>Q. What is the E-Learning Day School Program</p> <p>A. Offered to TDSB students with asynchronous e-learning per semester. The department is available to provide a presentation in March 2024.</p>		
<p>PCCEO Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Cash Online • In-person session for School Council Treasurers 	<p>School Cash Online</p> <p>Funds cannot be transferred using School Cash Online. It is a payment system for items or fees.</p> <p>There are no plans to make School Cash online accessible to school council members. There is an extra cost to this function, and we are not currently staffed to provide the training and support that the additional module would require.</p> <p>In-Person Treasurer Workshop/Presentation</p> <p>Finance staff will explore the feasibility and report back. Information will also be shared with the committee on Alterna Banking</p>		

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<p>Working Group (WG) Reports</p> <p>1. Operational Effectiveness</p>	<p>Kaydeen Bankasingh (W8) is acting co-lead with Sarah A. for consultation. Sarah Ali (W2). Seema Mitchell (W18) has expressed interest and a decision will be made at the next meeting.</p> <p>Finalizing PIAC 2023/24 Budget PIAC Budget for 2023-2024 is \$44,252 Current Position: Revenue - \$43,721 Actual Paid Expenses - \$530.37 Requests - \$30,000 (Events) Motion Passed Balance: \$13,400 WG leads have put their budgetary requests forward for specific initiatives. Motion to approve requests for \$13,400 for the following: Communications - \$2000 (recurring communication Expenses) School council: \$11,000 (allocation for \$500 per ward to encourage engagement and support for PIAC reps to attend schools and initiate parent/caregiver engagement</p> <p>ZOOMPro Subscriptions: \$400 to maintain</p> <p>Based on the April variance report if there is underspending the following initiatives will proceed: \$5,000 for communications: initiative to update PIAC website (AODA compliance) email upgrades \$5,000 for further Strategic Planning work for the 2023/24 school year</p>	<p>Motion: Kaydeen B Second: Sarah A.</p>	<p>Motion Carried</p>

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2. School Council Support WG	<p>Sarah A. provided details on the \$500.00 approved for PIAC ward work. The funds will be available for wards; however, they are not required to use them. It is to support, outreach, and engagement at the ward level and may cover costs such as refreshments. PCCEO shared that expenses will be on a reimbursement model and TDSB's purchasing policy will apply.</p> <p>Sarah A. provided details on the motion: an allocated budget of \$5000 to be approved for the engagement of a consultant, prioritizing the enhancement of communication channels vital for parent/caregiver communication.</p> <p>Due to the multiple questions regarding, feasibility, affordability, value-added, and the view of the Board the motion was withdrawn for further consideration.</p>		
3. Communication WG	<p>The committee is focused on preparing tools for the conference. The Slack pilot was successful. Members are encouraged to get up to speed on Slack.</p>	<p>Motion to extend the meeting by 15 minutes. Moved by Erin (W1), Second by Kaydeen B. Motion Carried</p>	
4. Membership WG	<p>New members from W6 and W19 were welcomed by the committee. Members were advised of PIAC's declaration form and the requirement for members to ensure its completion. All new members are required to complete, and completion will be required again at the start of every new school year.</p> <p>There are 38 (37+1) sitting members, of which 40% of sitting members rounded down = 15 is</p>		

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<p>5. Special Events</p> <p>6. Strategic Planning</p> <p>7. Consultation</p>	<p>required for a quorum. There are currently 7 ward vacancies.</p> <p>Members are reminded of the PIACs WhatsApp group and notification to Jenny G. if interested in getting signed up.</p> <p>Registration for the conference is now Live on Eventbrite. The event is for Council members and will provide a plethora of information on all things Council. Members are encouraged to circulate the flyer and attend. Volunteers are needed and student volunteers are welcomed. Thank you to the PCCEO for the interim staff support.</p> <p>Deferred until next meeting.</p> <p>There are new Co-leads, Kaydeen & Sarah and they are exploring the direction of the work. The committee is requesting from the Board information on upcoming consultations. One area of interest is the reviewed MYSP and the accountability measures.</p>		
<p>Ward Updates</p>	<p>Wards 17, 18, 19 & 20 will be hosting a collaborative meeting on January 29, 2024.</p> <p>Ward 8 elections are to be held on February 01, 2204.</p> <p>Wards 17 held an event for School Councils to meet, collaborate, and plan. Details of the session can be reviewed in the W17 update attachment.</p>		

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New Business Discussion of PIAC's official business	The committee needs to reflect on how it makes space for members to have new conversations on non-agenda items.		
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn Erin (W1), Seconded by Sarah (W2). The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm		

