



**Parent Involment Advisory Committee  
Minutes  
Date: February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
Location: Boardroom, 5050 Yonge Street  
Time: 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** John Trafananko (Co-Chair), Jerako Biaje-Wendt (Co-chair), Vivek Rao (Ward 2), Sarah Ali (Ward 2), Tina Chan Kim (Ward 3), Norman Perry (Ward 4), Michelle Minot (Ward, 4), Suban Abdullahi (Ward 5), Devon Forbes (Ward 5), Ricardo Francis (Ward, 6), Ceyrina Craig (Ward 7), Dagmar Grasser (Ward 8), , D. Williams (Ward 10), Darlene Giroux( Ward 10,Alt), Allen Schacht (Ward, 11), Eva Rosenstock (Ward 12), Wilmar Kortleever (Ward 13), Amy Goffin (Ward 15 Rep), Kate Wallis ( Ward 16), Gary Lochhead ( Ward 17), Steve Chatzibasile( Ward 18), James Rycman (Ward 19, Rep) , Sudershan Singh (Ward 20 Rep), Sharon Kerr ( Ward 21), Ward Davis ( Ward 21, Alt Saida Sabrie, Somali Parent Liasion Coalition (SPLC). Mirian Turcios, Spanish Speaking Education Network (SSEN)


**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** Director Donna Quan, Associate Director Lou Vavougios, Associate Director Carla Kisko, Michelle Munroe (Central Co-ordinator), Jim Spyropoulos (Inclusive Schools and Equity Department), Sheila Cary-Meagher (Trustee), Sam Sotiropoulos (Trustee).

**VISITORS:** Towid Noman (Toronto, Bangladeshi Association), Mona R., Peter Hollely, Nicole Jonas.

**REGRETS:** Julie Dasoo (Ward 13, Alt), Ali Mohamed (Ward 1), Cathie Noble (Ward 20, Alt), Trustee Chris Glover, Co-chair, Kainani Dana (Ward 14),

**RECORDER:** Vandana Bharti (Parent and Community Engagement Office)

Item	Information/Discussion	Action or Recommendation
<b>1. Opening/Welcome</b>	Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm The Co-chair communicated members request to have members sit in order of their wards effective March 2014.	
<b>2. Approval of the Quorum</b>	Quorum achieved	
<b>3. Conflict of Interest</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ None Declared</li> </ul>	
<b>4. Approval of Agenda</b>	Approved by Gary Lochhead and Steve Chatzibasile	

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<b>5. Director of Education “Presentation of TDSBs Years of Action” 2013-2017</b>	<p>Director Quan presented the Years of Action 2013-2017. See hand out for further information.</p> <p>The Director indicated that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents should be engaged in three main areas at the school level: 1. Budget planning/discussion of the school budget; 2. School Improvement Plans (SIP) and 3. Safe Schools and Anti Bullying Committee.</li> <li>• PIAC Co-chairs, John and Jerako are invited to sit in on a Senior staff Meeting. It was highlighted that the DSB has never had this type of on the ground communication with parents, and parents have never had such direct access to senior staff.</li> </ul>	 PIAC - 11 FEBRUARY 2014.pdf
<b>6. Associate Directors Presentation</b>  <b>Budgeting and Staffing update</b>	<p>Associate Director Kisko and Vavougios provided an update on the 2013/2014 Budget and Staffing process. See handout for further information.</p> <p>The 2014/2014 draft school year calendar was also discussed. Subhan is the PIAC representative on the School Year Calendar Committee of the Board. The committee will be conferencing on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 to finalize the calendar. It was noted that TDSB collaborates with other Boards to Coordinate elementary and PA days.</p>	Carla to send Vandana electronic copy and Vandana to email it out.
<b>7. Approval of January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Minutes</b>	Deferred to next month.	
<b>8. PIAC Meeting May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014</b>	Moved to May 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2014	
<b>9. TDSB AODA Working Group Presentation.</b>	<p>The AODA committee is seeking two (2) PIAC representatives with disabilities and/or people with personal experience in disability issues to consult with on the TDSB's multiyear accessibility plan. Participants will be asked to provide input or feedback on various matters related to accessibility for members of the public/students/staff/parents with disabilities.</p> <p>The following names were put forward for a draw:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saida Sabrie</li> <li>• Gary Lochhead</li> <li>• Sharon Kerr</li> <li>• Ali Mohamed</li> <li>• Marian Turcios</li> </ul> <p>Gary Lochhead and Sharon Kerr will be the PIAC representatives.</p>	
<b>10. Working Group Updates</b>	<p><b>Working Group Updates with the exception of Curriculum &amp; Library was deferred to the next meeting.</b></p> <p>The Curriculum &amp; Library work group put forth a motion for a budget of \$15,000 to implement a cultural outreach &amp; Parental engagement initiative. The motion was challenged on the grounds</p>	

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	that all financial requests must be approved by the budget committee prior to being presented at PIAC. The challenge was defeated and the motion was deferred to the next meeting due to quorum.	
<b>11. Ward/CLG Updates/Reports and Questions arising</b>	Deferred to next meeting	
<b>12. Superintendent's Report</b>	Deferred to next meeting	
<b>13. Trustee Update</b>	Deferred to next meeting	
<b>14. PCEO</b>	Deferred to next meeting	
<b>15. Questions Arising from Committee Reports</b>	Deferred to next meeting	
<b>16. Adjournment</b>	Meeting adjourned at 10:20 PM	

**Next Meeting:** March 18, 2014