

PIAC Working Group REPORT

Working Group	PIAC Advocacy Working Group
Date	23 February 2026
Description /Objective	<p>The Advocacy Working Group (AWG) was established in January 2025 to support the advocacy around new policy and system level issues, as well as provide an opportunity to have sub-working groups to represent different community groups of parents/caregivers focused around specific areas of interest, in support of student achievement and well-being.</p> <p>The Advocacy Working Group mandate aims to develop structured tools, training, and system-level strategies to strengthen PIAC's influence at the school, board, and government levels. The group focuses on policy literacy, escalation frameworks, engagement, and governance-aligned advocacy.</p>
Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The first meeting of the PIAC Advocacy Working Group was held to establish leadership and discuss the group's structure and goals. ● After a debate about the timing of co-lead elections, AWG decided to hold them immediately ● Mercedes Lee and Noel Morgan were selected as the co-leads ● Objectives of the working group to be determined, but should be in alignment with the PIAC strategic plan and TDSB strategic plans ● Potential sub-working groups discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Technology ○ Curriculum ○ Special education curriculum
Motion(s)	
Question(s)	
Next Steps and Action items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Co-leads to determine meeting cadence ● Co-leads to prepare consolidated WG objective and description and present to next AWG meeting for discussion

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Co-leads to review PIAC strategic plan objectives and TDSB strategic plan objectives and present to next AWG meeting for discussion ● Co-leads to schedule next AWG meeting for March
Co-lead(s)	Mercedes Lee Noel Morgan
Working Group Members	<p>Those absent will be marked absent</p> <p>PIAC Officers: Andrew Waters - PIAC Secretary Mercy Charles - PIAC Treasurer Prasanna Jagannathan - Officer at Large Sarah Ali - PIAC Co-Chair</p> <p>PIAC Co-Reps: Noel - Ward 2 Maira - Ward 3 Emily - Ward 7 Reem - Ward 11 Colleen - Ward 13 Majda - Ward 13 Marycarmen - Ward 16 Mercedes - Ward 16 Olivia - Ward 18 Moosa - Ward 19 Neerajah - Ward 21 Sundus - Ward 21 Vim - Ward 22</p> <p>Community: D Williams Kaydeen Bankasingh Nadine Omar Khan Rahel Sharmini Peries</p>