

Name of Committee: Parent Involvement Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 7, 2026

A Parent Involvement Advisory Committee meeting convened via Zoom on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, from 7:06 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. With PIAC Co-Chair Sarah Ali and Katrina Matheson.

Attendance (A = absent, P = present and R = regrets)

Parent/Caregiver and Community Group (CG) Members

Ward/Position	✓	Name	Ward/Position	✓	Name
Co-chair	P	Sarah Ali	Secretary	P	Andrew Waters
	P	Katrina Matheson	Treasurer	P	Mercy Charles
Officer At Large	P	Prasanna Jagannathan	CG:Motivate	A	Rahel Gettu
1	P	Nabil Hasbun	1		Vacant
2	P	Noel Morgan	2	P	Uthman Quick
3	P	Maira Riaz	3	P	Rehab Aly
4	P	Tamasha Grant	4		Vacant
5	A	Carly Cohen	5	P	Aaron Kucharczuk
6	P	Crystal Stewart	6		Vacant
7	P	Emily Rose Abrahams	7		Vacant
8		Vacant	8		Vacant
9	P	Frida Zemer	9	P	Sarah Brager
10	P	Mark Unger	10		Vacant
11	P	Reem Al Jabi	11	P	Hilla Gutman
12	P	Susan Lee	12	P	Nicole WU
13	P	Majda Eltayan	13	P	Colleen Harper
14	A	Mohammad Saleem Khan	14		Vacant
15	P	Kristen Boyd	15	P	Farheen Mahmood
16	P	Mercedes Lee	16	P	Marycarmen Lara Villanueva
17	A	Thanuja Sankar	17		Vacant
18	P	Olivia Hetherman	18	A	Marissa Hill

19	A	Chantal Gayle	19	P	Moosa Anwar Alloo
20		Vacant	20		Vacant
21	P	Neerajah Ponnampalam	21	P	Sundus Meer
22		Vacant	22	P	Jennifer Sparks
CLG	A	Rahel Gettu			

Ministry of Education

Rohit Gupta, Supervisor

Staff Present

Guest Present

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<p>Welcome & Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Quorum Land Acknowledgment Code of Conduct Conflict of Interest Change in Membership Status. Approval of Consent Agenda & Minutes of Previous PIAC General Meeting 	<p>Quorum was confirmed and the meeting began with welcome and Land Acknowledgment. Members were reminded to review the Code of Conduct on Google Drive</p> <p>Conflict of Interest Noah Morgan (W02) declared a conflict of interest as a TDSB employee.</p> <p>Membership status: It was noted that the Ward 22 representative has resigned; elections for this ward are currently underway.</p> <p>Approval of the Agenda</p>	<p>Motion to approve the and March 3 minutes d by Katrina M (PIAC Co-Chair.) 2nd by Kristen B (Ward 15). Motion carried.</p>
Co-Chairs Update	<p>WhatsApp Guidelines</p> <p>WhatsApp guidelines will be addressed in two parts. Discussion will be discussed at the Membership meeting on April 28th and Special Meeting is scheduled for April 29th to address administration complaints.</p>	

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	<p>PIAC WhatsApp chats, which were paused, would be turned back on the following day. Co-Chair Sarah reminded members that participation in the WhatsApp group is optional.</p> <p>Ministry Meeting</p> <p>Co-chairs Sarah and Katrina are invited to a meeting with the Ministry on May 12th.</p>	
Ward Updates	<p>Community Updates</p> <p>Ward 12: Annual school councils meeting confirmed for April 29th, 7:00 pm at North York Civic Center, co-hosted with the City Councilor.</p> <p>Ward 10: Outreach event held with sufficient turnout and discussions on TDSB improvement opportunities.</p> <p>Ward 2: Central Etobicoke high school hosting a school-to-work transition event on April 30th; seeking community partners.</p> <p>Ward 3: Community fair at Lakeshore Collegiate Institute on Saturday, May 2nd (11:00 am – 1:00 pm).</p>	
Working Group (WG) Reports	<p>Strategic Planning Working Group</p> <p>PIAC Working Group Co-leads to meet April 9 to improve structure regarding working group goals.</p> <p>Standardized reporting tools and a progress dashboard to track cross-WG goals will be sent to all members for input to ensure it is user-friendly.</p>	

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	<p>Mentorship Program: Formally launched with 4 mentors and 9 mentees currently participating. A 3-month structure has been established.</p> <p>Next meeting is on Thursday, April 9 at 8:00 pm.</p> <p>Consultations WG</p> <p>New Co-Lead: A call for self-nominations for a new co-lead closed on April 2nd. Colleen H (W13) was acclaimed as the new Co-lead.</p> <p>The focus for the group will be on productive topics and student-centered service.</p> <p>School Council Support WG</p> <p>The WG selected a preliminary set of "foundational" goals, including internal training and establishing reliable communication channels.</p> <p>The WG is working on developing of a school council "welcome package".</p> <p>Identified parent involvement in SIP is inconsistent; the group is working to make the process more transparent.</p> <p>Events Working Group</p> <p>Motion Discussion:</p> <p>To move the annual PIAC event from February to the month of November to better support newly elected school councils.</p> <p>Concerns were raised regarding potential conflicts with the "Parents as Partners" conference (traditionally held in November) and the Diwali weekend (Nov 6).</p>	<p>Motion by Moosa A (W 19) that PIAC conduct its PIAC Annual Event on Nov 7 2026 for the Academic Year 2026-27. Seconded by P Jag (Officer at Large).</p> <p>Motion to be amended by Katrina M (Co-Chair).</p> <p>For the event to be held in the month of November. The</p>

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	<p>Staff noted the difficulty of running two major events in one month and suggested the "Parents as Partners" event might be deferred if PIAC requested.</p> <p>The motion was amended to change the specific date (Nov 7) to "the month of November" to provide flexibility.</p> <p>Communications Working Group</p> <p>Motion to renew PIAC Zoom</p> <p>Discussion to maintain the current Zoom account as independent account from TDSB.</p> <p>Membership WG</p> <p>Meeting Schedule: The WG is reviewing meeting schedules to avoid religious observances and exploring a "right to disconnect" approach for members.</p> <p>Proposing that Strategic Planning WG to meet at the beginning of the month, followed by operational groups such as Communications, Membership Wg's at the end of the month.</p> <p>Spring PIAC Ward Co-Rep Election Issues:</p> <p>The WG addressed concerns regarding the requirement for two pieces of ID for address verification. While acknowledging it may be a deterrent, they noted it is a standard procedure</p>	<p>amendment was seconded by Susan L(W12)</p> <p>A roll call vote was requested,19 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstention.</p> <p>Motion carried.</p> <p>Motion by Katrina M (Co-Chair)</p> <p>To renew the current independent PIAC Zoom account (approx. \$240/year) using existing funds from the \$5,000 Communications budget.</p> <p>Seconded by Moosa A (W19).</p> <p>20 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstention. Motion carried</p>

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	<p>requested by TDSB to ensure voters are eligible within specific words.</p> <p>Staff is manually correcting issues where parents live in one ward but their children attend school in another.</p> <p>The nomination deadline was extended to April 8th at 11:59 PM due to technical issues and the long weekend.</p> <p>Discussion on election verification requirements, for address verification to ensure voters are eligible within their respective wards.</p> <p>Concerns about how ID data is stored. Staff clarified that ID data is stored on a secure board drive accessible only to select staff and is deleted/destroyed once the election is complete.</p> <p>Operational Effectiveness WG</p> <p>The WG reported successful training sessions regarding Robert’s Rules of Order and ongoing bylaw reviews.</p> <p>Conducted sessions on institutional knowledge, Strategic Planning, mentorship, PIAC bylaws, Robert’s Rules of Order, and budget processes. A second session will be held after new member elections.</p> <p>Co-lead election : A new co-lead election for the group will take place on April 27, 2026.</p> <p>Bylaw Review: The group is exploring structural changes to mirror the TDSB's "Family of Schools" model for the upcoming year.</p>	

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	<p>PIAC Contact Directory was suggested creating a central directory of member email addresses and phone numbers to facilitate work without relying on WhatsApp. The WG will take the feedback into consideration and privacy concerns for communications.</p> <p>Advocacy WG</p> <p>Motion on Transparency Gap Analysis and Response</p> <p>The TDSB prepare and present at the next PIAC general meeting two comparative lists of the publicly available reports, datasets, representations, and decision records from the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years, and prepare a corresponding analysis in order to assess any transparency gap arising from the transition from Trustees to Supervisor oversight.</p> <p>The context of the motion regarding decline in transparency since the removal of trustees and the shift to supervisor governance. Parents cannot meaningfully engage if reports and data sets are no longer public.</p> <p>The motion asks TDSB to conduct a gap analysis comparing public reports/data from last year under trustee governance versus this year under supervisor governance. It also requests an action plan to restore any lost transparency and asks that school councils be re-engaged on class models.</p> <p>The WG 's Next Meeting: April 22nd.</p>	<p>Motion by Aaron K (W5) Requesting TDSB conduct a gap analysis of transparency levels under the current supervisor governance versus the previous trustee governance. The motion was seconded by Katrina. Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Supervisor's Report	Student and Family Support Office: The office continues to receive calls and emails and the response rate is "exceptionally high" and timely. The	

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	<p>office serves as a tertiary appeal level (after teacher, principal, and superintendent).</p> <p>School Based Staffing:</p> <p>Based on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projected student enrollment • Ministry requirements • Collective agreements • Staffing and class assignments will be finalized and shared once stabilized (closer to September). • Approach is consistent with other boards. <p>Teacher Reductions: The actual reduction is approximately 260 positions, driven by a projected decrease of 5,000 students next year (following a 3,700 student decrease this year).</p> <p>Budget Presentation: Staff will bring a formal budget presentation to PIAC in May to seek feedback on maximizing provincial funding.</p> <p>Learning Opportunities Grant: In response to concerns regarding funds, the Supervisor clarified that while the terminology and labeling in budget documents have changed, the funding has not been diverted and remains directed toward classroom support.</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Escalation Paths</p> <p>With the lack of trustees the Supervisor stated that the escalation path remains the same (School → Superintendent → Support Office).</p> <p>The board is working to address every concern, though not all requests (such as specific teacher</p>	

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	<p>preferences or split-grade changes) can be accommodated due to system-wide class size targets.</p>	
<p>Staff Report</p>	<p>School Council Survey: The board is committed to re-establishing the survey in 2027, pending resource allocation. An update will be provided in the Fall.</p> <p>School Council Innovation Grant: A meeting is proposed for May to review reports and determine next steps for revisions.</p> <p>Food Handling Certificates: A communication to principals regarding requirements will be shared in <i>TDSB Now</i> on Monday, April 13th.</p> <p>Long-Term Program and Accommodation Strategy (LTPAS): Staff are reviewing the LTPAS process given current governance uncertainties. Any studies for the 2026-2027 school year will be posted on the public website.</p> <p>PCCEO Events: PCCEO will have the standard information report of upcoming events shared with all PIAC members.</p>	
<p>New Business</p>		
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Motion to adjourn by Co-chair Sarah Ali, Seconded by consensus</p>	