

PIAC Working Group REPORT

Working Group	School Council Appreciation Event
Date	December 12, 2017.
Description/Objective	<p>PIAC hosts a School Council Appreciation and Information Evening annually each February. This evening is organized to recognize and show appreciation for the parents and caregivers who support student achievement and parent engagement in TDSB schools and communities. School Council representatives are invited to a dinner and a chance to share ideas, ask questions, and network with other school council members.</p> <p>Registration for the 2018 dinner event will be online sometime in January. Link TBD.</p> <p>Registration is limited to 2 parents/school council representatives per school. Child minding, translation services, vegetarian meal are only offered through online pre-registration.</p> <p>Date: Thursday February 22, 2018 Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Location: Montecassino Banquet Hall 3710 Chesswood Drive Toronto, Ontario M3J 2W4</p>
Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● First meeting on December 12, 2017. ● In attendance during first meeting: Trixie Doyle, Heather Vickers, Wilmar Kortleever, Jess Hungate, Nazerah Shaikh, Christopher Levien, Latha John, and Felicia Lau. Felicia designated as Working Group Lead. ● Comments and notes from previous years discussed and taken into consideration for the upcoming event. ● Speakers on invitation list: Director, Chair of the Board, PIAC Co-chairs. ● Save –the-date messages are being prepared and will be sent by email to all Trustees, Principals and School Council chairs (those who we have an email for). ● Formal information cards/invitations to be written, printed and sent early January. ● Online registration will open mid-January. Platform TBD.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Themes for the Dinner event were discussed. Feedback from previous events leads to more Appreciation and Discussion amongst Ward Tables and less Grandstanding / Central Speakers. ● Transportation not to be provided as there is no budget and the new Line 1 station is very close to the venue.
Motion(s)	
Question(s)	Does the communication group have any postcards or pamphlets printed or budgeted for printing to distribute at this Appreciation Event?
Next Steps and Action items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hard copies of invitation in to be printed and mailed out. ● Obtain estimates from Montecassino venue site. Plan a site visit. ● Review menu items/options and make selections. ● Continue to review last year's attendance registration numbers (and all other data collected) to aid in this year's planning. ● Enlist volunteers to help before and during event. ● Find a volunteer coordinator. ● PIAC members wanted to attend and help generate/keep discussions at Ward Tables fun! ● Feedback form will be created and given to all participants. ● Event take-away bags to be stuffed later in February. ● Donations of appropriate items for a give-away-draw at the end of the evening are gladly appreciated.

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