**COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Committee Name: Urban Indigenous Community Advisory Committee

Date: Tuesday November 19, 2019

Time: 5:30pm- 8:30pm

**Core Voting Constituent’s:**

Present: Mary Doucette (OA, TDSB), Natasha Gleeson (SST, TDSB), Bonnie Johnston (Community Liaison, TDSB), Christina Saunders (CAVP, TDSB), Tanya Senk (P/CAP, TDSB), Michael Cheena (Council Fire), Dr. Susan Dion (York University), Marilyn Hew (TYRMC), Shannon Judge (Parent Council), Neal Judge (Parent), Howard Munroe (OCAD), Ryan Neepin (Teacher), Dr. Bob Phillips (U of T), Monique Diabo (City of Toronto), Olivia Horzempa (TPH), Elaina Evans (Parent Council), Melanie Laking (Parent Council) and Selena Young (City of Toronto).

**TDSB Trustee’s:**

Present: Jennifer Story.

**TDSB Staff:**

Present: Jim Spyropoulos (Executive Superintendent).

**Guests:** None

**Regrets:** Alexander Brown (Trustee), Dr. Duke Redbird (Elder), Pauline Shirt (Elder), Cynthia Bell-Clayton (ENAGB Indigenous Youth Agency) and Adrienne Plumley (TDSB Instructional Leader)

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| **ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **RECOMMENDATION/MOTION/**  **ACTION** |
| Call to Order, Traditional Opening, meeting etiquette/ code of conduct/co-chair position update | Elder Dr. Joanne Dallaire chaired the meeting.  Elder Dr. Joanne Dallaire conducted a traditional opening and spoke to the code of conduct for UICAC members and guests.  Introductions from the membership in attendance.  UICAC Co-chair:   * Bonnie Johnston explained the election process for the co-chair position to members and guests. * Elder Dr. Joanne Dallaire was elected by consensus for the co-chair position. |  |
| Approval of Agenda | The agenda of November 19, 2019 were approved by consensus. | Approved by:   1. Neal Judge 2. Marilyn Hew |
| Review and Approval of the minutes of October 15, 2019 | The minutes of October 15, 2019 were approved by consensus. | Approved by:   1. Marilyn Hew 2. Neal Judge |
| Declaration of conflict of interest | None declared. |  |
| UICAC Priorities   1. Facility, 16 Phin – Mobility, Accessibility, Health & Safety, Renovations. 2. Indigenous TDSB Trustee 3. Hiring practices, recruitment, retention and mobility. | UICAC Priorities  Facility, 16 Phin – Mobility, Accessibility, Health & Safety, Renovations.  Shannon Judge:   * Renovations continue on the Auditorium and kitchen. * Team and manager of construction project changed recently. * Will update more at the next meeting.   Indigenous TDSB Student Trustee.  **Bonnie Johnston:**   * Went to the Indigenous Youth Council at the beginning of November to share information with the 20-25 Indigenous students in regards to the Indigenous TDSB student Trustee position and to the current student Trustee roles and responsibilities. * The following week nominations were put forward and a grade 9 student, Clarity Smoke was elected. * Bonnie will attend meetings with Clarity for support and invite Clarity to an upcoming UICAC meeting.   Hiring practices, recruitment, retention and mobility.  **Tanya Senk:**   * Raven Cotnam is one of the new Instructional Leaders with the Urban Indigenous Education Centre. * The UIEC is currently hiring part-time Indigenous CYC and a Native Language Teacher. * There are 3 new Indigenous teachers who were hired through the recruitment process. * Bonnie Johnston to update in January with the Indigenous TDSB job fair. * Tanya Senk and Christina Saunders to update in January on section 18 and the wording related to the hiring process. |  |
| **Staff Update:** | **Elders Update – Joanne Dallaire:**   * Duke Redbird sends his regrets for tonight’s meeting. * December 9, 2019 is the next Elder’s council meeting. * There will be more updates in January.   **Update: Jim Spyropoulos:**   * Updated the UICAC members and guests with the results from the organizational meeting of the board. * Trustee Jennifer Story and Alexander Brown to continue with the UICAC while we welcome Vice-Chair Trixie Doyle to the join the UICAC. * Excited for Clarity Smoke, the youngest student Trustee the TDSB has had, at 14 years of age.   **Update: Tanya Senk:**   * Professional learning with 60 teachers took place today at the UIEC. Margaret Froh from the Métis Nation of Ontario spoke to the group in regards to Métis history in respect to the new secondary curriculum rollout. * UIEC submitted a proposal to the AERA on the work they’ve been doing with the 17 Aanse schools. With over 50,000 applicants, the UIEC was selected. * Will be presenting this information with UIEC staff and Dr. Susan Dion in San Francisco. * Winter Solstice is December 19th, 2019 from 3-9pm for Wandering Spirit School. * Multi-year strategic plan has been updated and is now available on the website.   Bonnie Johnston:   * On November 14, a Drum Social took place at Wandering Spirit in conjunction with guardian/teacher interviews. * Eastview Community Drum Social & Feast with Elder Dorothy Peters is taking place on Thursday November 28, 2019 at Eastview School in Scarborough. * ENAGBE had its open house with Elder Pauline Shirt conducting the opening prayer.   Shannon Judge:   * Currently working with Candice O’Grady on a story with Wandering Spirit School’s Nutrition Program.   Melanie Laking:   * With the pollinator grant the school received, they will be able to begin planting in the spring. |  |
| **New and Other Business** | **Monique Diabo: ENAGBE Early ON update**   * 24 families participated in the ENGABE’s naming ceremony while using the 3 fires ceremony protocol. |  |
| Next meeting Date: | The next UICAC will be on Tuesday January 15, 2019 @ 5:30pm. Located in room 123, 16 Phin Ave. |  |
| Traditional Closing: | Elder Dr. Joanne Dallaire closed the meeting. |  |