# Name of Committee: Inner City Community Advisory Committee (ICCAC)

**Meeting Date**: **16 December 2021**

Notes

## Attendance: via Zoom:

Trustee Michelle Aarts, Co-Chair; Diane Banks, Toronto Public Library; AnnaKay Brown, Jane Finch Education Action Group; Rachel Chernos Lin, Trustee Ward 11; Trixie Doyle, Trustee Ward; 14; Dan MacLean, Trustee Ward 2; Chris Moise, Trustee Ward 10; Emmy Pantin, Parent Co-Chair; Sejal Patel, Ryerson University; Crystal Stewart, Parent; Fiona Yang, Catholic Crosscultural Services

Also present were: Mandeep Gabhi, Research and Information Analyst, Research and Development; Salima Kassam, Centrally Assigned Principal Equity, MSIC, NTIP, English, Literacy; Rukiya Mohamed, Coordinator, The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement and MSIC; Omar Omar, Community Support Worker LC2; Janet O’Reilly, Research Coordinator, Research and Development; Aime Presley, Research Coordinator, Research and Development; Sandy Spyropoulos, Executive Superintendent LC4

The following participated by electronic means: Michelle Aarts, Co-Chair; Diane Banks, Toronto Public Library; AnnaKay Brown, Jane Finch Education Action Group; Rachel Chernos Lin, Trustee Ward 11; Trixie Doyle, Trustee Ward; 14; Dan MacLean, Trustee Ward 2; Chris Moise, Trustee Ward 10; Emmy Pantin, Parent Co-Chair; Sejal Patel, Ryerson University; Crystal Stewart, Parent; Fiona Yang, Catholic Crosscultural Services; Mandeep Gabhi, Research and Information Analyst, Research and Development; Salima Kassam, Centrally Assigned Principal Equity, MSIC, NTIP, English, Literacy; Rukiya Mohamed, Coordinator, The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement and MSIC; Omar Omar, Community Support Worker LC2; Janet O’Reilly, Research Coordinator, Research and Development; Aime Presley, Research Coordinator, Research and Development; Sandy Spyropoulos, Executive Superintendent LC4

## Regrets:

Sheila Cary-Meagher, Community Member; Laurie Green, St. Michael’s Hospital; Josette Holness, City of Toronto; Michael Kerr, Colour of Poverty Colour of Change; Omar Khan, Parent; Ingrid Palmer, Parent; Robert Spencer, Parent; Cherie Mordecai Steer, Parent; Aamir Sukhera, The Neighbourhood Organization

| **ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **RECOMMENDATION/ MOTION** |
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| Call to Order / Quorum | Meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. |  |
| Welcome and Introductions of new and returning members. Setting meeting norms | Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and introductions were made. |  |
| Approval of Agenda | The agenda was approved with the following amendment:   * CSW Update was moved to item 4 |  |
| Review and Approval of the Notes – September 23, 2021 | The notes from September 23, 2021 were approved. |  |
| CSW Update | Omar Omar, Community Support Worker LC2, provided the CSW Update. He informed the Committee that the CSWs were delivering food hampers to families before the holiday break. The food obtained for these hampers was collected from food drives held by schools from across the district.  Omar also mentioned that the [MSIC Ambassador Program](https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/csws/parentacademy/model-schools-ambassadors?authuser=0) is underway and that there were 250 participant applications for 30 available spaces. The program is for parents/caregivers who are interested in being a voice/advocate in the community, building leadership/communication skills and learning how the TDSB works. Workshops being offered through the Ambassador Program include public speaking and navigating the education system. |  |
| Consultation: Student Census 2022 | Aime Presley, Research Coordinator – Research and Development, Janet O’Reilly, Research Coordinator – Research and Development, and Mandeep Gabhi, Research and Information Analyst – Research and Development, presented information for feedback/input on the upcoming Student Census 2022. |  |
| Co-Chairs’ Report | Trustee Aarts informed the Committee that the TDSB is looking at submitting a final response to the Ministry of Education’s budget consultation report by December 17, 2021. She indicated that there are five areas that feedback will be provided on:   * Mental Health & Well-Being Supports; * Reducing Administrative Burden; * Learning Opportunities Grant; * Urban and Priority High Schools; and * New Teacher Induction Program.   She also mentioned that the Board received a report from Facility Services on revitalizing school grounds and building exteriors. This report provided details on improving/greening school grounds and improving school buildings.  Emmy Pantin provided an update from the CAC Co-chair meeting she attended. She indicated that some areas of concern from other CAC Co-chairs were bussing for students in French Immersion and Education and Community Partnership programs, and access to school cash online. |  |
| CAC Annual Report and Self Evaluation – Follow Up | It was agreed that the CAC Annual Report and the Self Evaluation tool would be converted into Google documents to make it more convenient for members to complete. |  |
| Meeting Dates – January to June 2022 | The proposed meeting dates for January to June 2022 were approved. |  |
| Business Arising from September 23 Meeting | There was no business arising from the September 23 meeting. |  |
| MSIC Update | Rukiya Mohamed, Coordinator, The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement and MSIC, provided the MSIC Update. She informed the Committee about the professional learning opportunities available for staff to encourage positive racial identities of students.  Rukiya also informed the Committee that the budget roll out for MSIC schools will be coming in the new year. She mentioned that the budget is based on a formula that takes into consideration the number of students within the school, both in-person learners and those who are learning virtually. |  |
| Re-Imagining ICCAC | Deferred to the January 2022 meeting. |  |
| Working Group Updates   * Membership * LOI * Child Care * Communication | Deferred to the January 2022 meeting. |  |
| Other Business | There was no other business brought up. |  |
| Next Meeting | Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. |  |
| **Adjournment** | Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 10:10 a.m. |  |