



# Statutory Committee

**Name of Committee:** Parent Involvement Advisory Committee

**Meeting Date:** October 22, 2019

A meeting of the Parent Involvement Advisory Committee convened on September 24 2019 from 7:05 p.m. to 10: 10 p.m. in the Board Room at 5050 Yonge Street, with PIAC Co-chairs Zena Shereck & D.Williams

**Attendance:** Jessica Ruiz (EPW1 Rep), Shafoli Kapur (EP W2 Alt), Felicia Lau (W3 Rep), Sharon Grant (EP W4 Rep), Jess Hungate(W5 Rep). Jaimala (EP W5 Alt), Dean Gray (W6 Alt), Kaydeen Bankasingh (EP W8 Rep) Sylvester Witter (W10 Rep); Wilmar Kortleever(W11 Rep); Eva Rosenstock (W12 Alt), Aretha Phillip (W13 Rep), Nazerah Shaikh (W14 Rep) Jenny Gannon (W14 Alt),Sharleen Ahmed (W15 Rep) Neil Faba (EP W15 Alt); Kate Leuschen Millar (W16 Rep), Seema Mitchell (EP W18 Rep),Mark Ramcharan (EP W18 Alt), Chris Levien(Ward 20 Rep), Zuojun Han(EP W 20 Alt), Zena Shereck (PIAC Co-Chair); D.Williams (PIAC Co-Chair),Trixie Doyle(Trustee); Sharon Beeson (FSLAC Vice Chair)

**Staff:** Kevin Bradbeer (IT, Senior Manager); David Hawker-Budlovsky (CAP, School Operations); Latha John (Committee Assistant); Anthony Knight (Manager, Mobile and Web Development); John Manalo(Committee Assistant)Michelle Munroe (Central Coordinator, PCEO), Exec Superintendent Sandy Spyropoulos, Peter Singh (IT, Executive Officer), Mun Shu Wong(Media Staff)

**Regrets:** Faduma Qalinle(Ward 1 Alt), Saira Soimaini (W3 Alt), Mirian Turcios (W6 Rep), John Bakos (W8 Alt); Syed Sumar Alam (Ward 13 Alt), Glenna Wellington (W17 Alt), Kabirul Mollah (W21 Rep), Rachel Chernos Lin (Trustee)

**Absent:** Vivek Rao (W2 Rep), Helena Matter(W7 Alt), Chetna Dickerson(W9 Alt),Hafsa Esmail (W11 Alt), Haniya Sheikh (EP W12 Rep), Pargat Mudher (W17 Rep),

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Welcome & Introductions			

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<p>Approval of Quorum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands</li> <li>• Declarations of Membership</li> <li>• Code of Conduct</li> </ul>	<p>Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands was done by Chair Williams.</p> <p>The committee was reminded of the code of conduct at meetings.</p>	<p>Quorum was achieved.</p>	
<p>Declaration of Actual, Perceived, or Potential Conflict of interest</p>	<p>Ward 11 Rep Wilmar K declared potential conflict as an employee of the Board.</p>		
<p>Approval of Agenda</p>		<p>Motion for approval of the agenda by, Aretha P 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jess H.</p> <p>All in favour, motion carried.</p>	
<p>Approval of Minutes September 24, 2019</p>		<p>Motion to approve the September 24 minutes by Kate LM , 2nd by Christopher L</p> <p>All in favour, motion carried.</p>	
<p>Co-Chair Update</p>	<p>The Chairs highlighted the following: <b>PIAC School Council Event</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The conference is on November 16, 2019.</li> </ul>		

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	<p>PIAC members to attend and network with the school councils.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minister of Education was invited by the Chairs.</li> <li>• Invitations were sent to trustees.</li> </ul> <p><b>Working groups</b> PIAC members are required to sign up for the working groups, the sign up link to be forwarded by Membership WG.</p> <p>A written report from the Chairs to be distributed to the committee.</p>		
<p>Parent Login- Staff Presentation</p>	<p>The Board was looking for excursion management applications and how to engage parents to login and authenticate and for a transition to a paperless process.</p> <p>The goal is to streamline the services online. The pilot was introduced to 13 schools.</p> <p><b>Discussion/Feedback</b></p> <p>Equity concerns that the pilots was being done with schools who are already engaged and not with the schools which are not engaged.</p> <p>The pilot is being used to set and perfect the system.</p> <p>Legacy services such as</p>		

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	<p>paper based process will be maintained for parents who don't have access to emails.</p> <p>Translation For translation google translate will be used initially.</p> <p>Data storage Data is stored at TDSB's Scarborough Civic Centre. Privacy is at the forefront and a priority of the Board.</p> <p>All feedback can be send to Peter Singh.</p>		
<p>Brightspace- Staff Presentation</p>	<p>Brightspace is a learning platform and is available to all school districts in Ontario.</p> <p><b>Feedback</b></p> <p>Brightspace should have links to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School council link</li> <li>• My Blueprint,</li> <li>• EQAO scores,</li> <li>• Staff list</li> <li>• Teacher contact list</li> <li>• Direct link to ministry's curriculum objectives.</li> </ul> <p>The committee also provide the following feedback to staff on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consistencies in the use of the platform across all schools in the board.</li> <li>• Equity of access</li> </ul>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teacher involvement</li> <li>• Student engagement</li> <li>• Parent engagement and Communication to parents</li> <li>• Accessibility of the program (AODA)</li> </ul>		
Working Group (WG) Reports			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nomination</li> </ul>	Nomination WG was struck by the committee and Shafoli K will lead the working group.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget</li> </ul>		<p>Motion to approve the budget 2019-2020 by Aretha P and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Felicia L.</p> <p>In Favor:16 Abstain:1</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event WG</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All PIAC members were reminded that they need to be involved at organizing the event and promoting the event at the school councils in their wards.</li> <li>• The committee discussed bussing services and the cost, further discussion to be done at WG meetings.</li> <li>• Michelle Munroe will be the Keynote speaker.</li> </ul>		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategic Planning WG</li> </ul>	<p>The work plan to be brought back in November for approval by the committee.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Membership WG</li> </ul>	<p>A written WG report was distributed to the committee.</p> <p>The following new PIAC members from Ward 15 were welcomed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sharleen Ahmed</li> <li>Neil Faba</li> </ul> <p><b>Working group sign up</b> All PIAC members are required to sign up for the working groups.</p> <p>The online link to be sent to PIAC membership.</p>	<p>Motion by Nazerah S to declare the following vacancies due to absences as per PIAC by-laws.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ward 7 Alt Helena M (Trustee Pilkey)</li> <li>Ward 9 Alt Chetna D (Trustee Donaldson )</li> <li>Ward 11Alt Hafsa E (Trustee Chernos-Lin )</li> </ul> <p>Motion was seconded by Jess H</p> <p>In favour:14 Abstain :3 Opposed :0</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>	
<p>Trustee Report- Trustee Trixie Doyle</p>	<p>Trustee Chernos Lin has send her regrets for the meeting.</p> <p>Trustee Doyle provided the following update:</p> <p><b>Policy review schedule</b> Board’s policy review schedules will be presented at the governance and policy meeting on October 23.</p>		

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	<p><b>ELearning</b> A motion to the Board to send a letter to Ministry on eLearning. The motion to include the survey responses collected from parents across the Board by the communication department.</p> <p><b>Pathways</b> Report on pathways, elimination of Grade 9 applied courses to be presented at the Board meeting.</p> <p><b>Secondary school review</b> <b>French program review</b> Public consultations to be held. PIAC will be updated on the reviews at future meetings.</p> <p><b>Labour Negotiations</b> Work to rule was initiated potential strike was avoided, negotiations are ongoing.</p>		
PCEO	<p><b>Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grants Update</b></p> <p>Staff provided an update as to the changes to the grant from an application-based funding model to an</p>	Motion to extend the meeting by Wilmar K	

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	<p>allocation-based grant provided to each school board. This resulted in a TDSB allocation of \$133,405.00 for projects that demonstrate a commitment to respecting the role of parents in students' educational experiences.</p> <p>The committee expressed concerns regarding the limited consultation time-frame and requested that staff take into consideration the following for fund allocation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• support for central and local initiatives that aligns with the Multi-Year Strategic Plan for family and community engagement initiatives. Initiatives could include a Learning Network(LN) or Learning Centre (LC) activity that pulls school councils and families together</li> <li>• funds not be equally distributed across all 578 school councils or the 158 Model school</li> <li>• a grants based allocation model not be used this year</li> </ul>	<p>to 9:45, 2nd by Kate L</p> <p>Motion carried.</p> <p>Motion by Jess H, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilmar K that PIAC Chairs draft a letter to the Ministry of Education on the concern of PRO grant and the disappointment on the reduced amount.</p> <p>In favor: 12 Abstain: 0 Opposed:1</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>	
Adjournment		<p>Motion to adjourn at 10:10 pm by Felicia L, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilmar K. All in favor, motion</p>	



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		passed.	