

PIAC Co-chairs Report

May 2019

PROGRAM & SCHOOL SERVICES COMMITTEE (PSSC)

The Co-Chairs of Parent Involvement Advisory Committee will be attending the PSSC meeting on Wednesday, May 1st. The next PSSC meeting will take place on Tuesday June 4, 2019

The following are highlights from the PSSC meeting on May 1st:

Please note that the agenda and the full reports received at the PSSC meeting are available on the TDSB website on the leadership boardroom page found here <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Leadership/Boardroom/Agenda-Minutes>

PIAC co-chairs presented the recommendation voted on by PIAC at the April meeting to recommend to the Board that school registration forms include a checkbox to allow parents to consent to the sharing of their email with the school's School Council to facilitate communication and increased engagement by the School Councils with the school community. PIAC requests that this be completed to be included in the 2019 Fall Welcome Packages to parents. Trustees were in favour of the recommendation, at this time the TDSB IT team will be looking into the feasibility of this recommendation and will have a report back to the trustees in early June.

TDSB POLICY REVIEWS

The following policies are currently under review at the TDSB:

The Excursions Policy (PO33) is currently under review, the closing date is May 24th. At this time a survey has not been provided but the draft is available to review and an email contact is available michel.leblanc@tdsb.on.ca. The full draft of this policy can be found on the policy consultations page <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Policies-Procedures-Forms/Policy-Consultations>

OTHER UPDATES

PIAC Strategic Planning Session

The PAIC Strategic Planning Session will take place at 5050 Yonge Street on Saturday June 15th. All PIAC members are encouraged to attend as this is the time when PIAC celebrates the work that has been done and looks at what work and goals it has for next year and possibly beyond. More details will be shared soon.

Family & Student Engagement in School Improvement Consultation

A consultation session took place inviting members of the TDSB CACs on May 9th with a final session to take place May 21st to speak to expectations related to family and student engagement in school improvement planning. Jess Hungate (Ward 5 Representative) was in attendance on May 9th. More updates will be provided in this process when they become available.

Working Groups

A few PIAC members have not yet signed up online for any working groups. A reminder to all PIAC members that our bylaws state that **all members must participate on at least one working group**. If you have not yet signed up for a working group, please fill out the online form at <https://goo.gl/forms/iwijkxOsLMIVC5qP2> asap. If you have any questions about the working groups, please contact the co-chairs at info@torontopiac.com

PIAC POST

Our Communications and Outreach Working Group is working on a new way to share information within our Ward communities highlighting PIAC and TDSB initiatives and consultations that come forward from month to month. This compilation is called the PIAC POST and will be delivered monthly to all PIAC members. There may be instances where a request from the Board, or from PIAC, to consult with families within a short amount of time may require a quick POST update to be sent out, in order to gather that feedback or participation needed. Please look out for this monthly newsletter in your email and share it with those in your communities (ensure your email accounts are updated with our Committee Assistant, Latha, to receive your copy of the PIAC POST).