

PIAC Working Group REPORT

Working Group	School Council Support WG
Meeting Date	January 9, 2024
Description/Objective	<p>The School Council Support Working Group is a non-governance working group with the purpose of communicating and supporting SCs of schools of the board. The School Council Support Working Group will develop and engage in outreach strategies to support School Councils; work with TDSB staff to promote parent involvement in the Principal/Vice Principal hiring/selection process (previous P/VP WG); and provide recommendations on Parent/Family Engagement in the Virtual School (previous Virtual Engagement WG).</p> <p>The areas of focus include but are not limited to Regulation 612, inactive SCs, effective SCs, and issues surrounding SCs.</p> <p>This working group coordinates with all other PIAC working groups on relevant matters.</p>
Strategic Work Plan and Working Group Goals	<p>Completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Checklist for applying an equity lens to the work of school councils ● Compile a short document outlining ways in which School Councils can engage families to support student learning and well-being through online events (with Communications WG) Supporting schools with no School Council ● Empowering School Councils - positive relationship w Principal ● SC Basics Slide deck update <p>Outstanding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SC email IT support - not fully workable ● School Improvement Process - new tools pending (PCEO) ● P023 - work with PCEO, Consultations WG for PIAC involvement in Board development of new SC Operations Guide, other procedures
Updates	<p>PIAC Conference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● presentation content discussion based on SC concerns this WG is hearing <p>TDSB website Parent Tab addition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● request TDSB add a direct link button in the homepage Parent Tab to the School Councils section <p>SC Email IT Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● motion re hiring an external consultant to look into alternatives <p>School Improvement Process (SIP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● still waiting for new parent and principal tools for engagement under development by PCCEO <p>Principal training to support School Councils</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ass. Director Salmon invited to meet with SC Support WG to discuss concerns around Principal knowledge & behaviour - Feb 6 ● Executive Superintendents Shirley Chan and Uton Robinson will attend on his behalf <p>Supporting School Councils at the ward level</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Some PIAC Reps want to do Outreach at the ward level ● motion re budget request for \$500 per ward for outreach

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Motions	Budget requests for the IT Consultant and for Ward Outreach funding
Question(s)	<i>[This section is for less formal questions to pose to the PIAC group.]</i>
Next Steps and Action items	
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