

# PIAC Working Group REPORT

**Working Group**

**Membership**

**Date**

**September 21, 2020**

Description/Objectives Track and monitor PIAC's membership and ensure representation of all wards.

**Scope of work for Membership WG from PIAC 2020-2021 Workplan**

*Pending approval of the Final Report from the Strategic Planning Meeting on August 22, 2020.*

Update

**PIAC Executive Meeting – September 15, 2020 @6:30 pm via Zoom**

**1. Newly elected PIAC members:**

(1) NONE

**2. Current PIAC vacancies:**

- (1) Trustee Gill (W1 Rep)
- (2) Trustee Pilkey (W7 Alt)
- (3) Trustee Moise (W10 Alt)
- (4) Trustee Brown (W12 Alt)
- (5) Trustee Rajakulasingam (W21 Rep)
- (6) Trustee Rajakulasingam (W21 Alt)

**3. Members with expired/expiring terms:**

- (1) Haniya Sheikh (W12 Rep) - February 2020 – Trustee Brown
- (2) Nazerah Shaikh (W14 Rep) - March 2020 – Trustee Doyle
- (3) Felicia Lau (W3 Rep) - October 2020 – Trustee Nunziata
- (4) Saira Somani (W3 Alt) - October 2020 – Trustee Nunziata
- (5) Dean Gray (W6 Alt) - October 2020 – Trustee Tonks

**4. Google Form for 2020-2021 PIAC Working Group Sign-up has been created.** According to PIAC Bylaws, Section 3.1.5 (iv), all PIAC members must sign-up for at least one PIAC Working Group.

Also, according to PIAC By-laws, Section 6.2.3., the Non-Governance Working Groups (i.e., Communications & Outreach, Consultations, P/VP Hiring Process, PRO Grant, and Reg 612) are open to any parent/guardian of a TDSB enrolled student, and also to community participants. These Working Groups can also be a great opportunity for PIAC alumni to stay engaged and lend their expertise. Please encourage parents and community members to sign up for the Non-Governance Working Groups.

All current and prospective members can register their interest in joining specific Working Groups using the following Google Form: <http://bit.ly/WGsignup2020>

**5. Guidelines and best practices for virtual (or online) ward elections of TDSB parent/guardian representatives and alternates on PIAC.** On hold, pending further clarification regarding voting platforms/tools from PCEO and direction from TDSB Legal.

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Motion(s)

**Be it resolved that, for greater certainty but only applicable to the 2020-21 fiscal year of PIAC, the absence rules contained in By-Law 4.9 shall be interpreted to not apply to any failures to attend meetings between March and August 2020, so that the attendance requirements, and possible related vacating or removal from positions provisions, will only be applied to meetings beginning with the PIAC meeting of September 22, 2020.**

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EXCERPT FROM TDSB PIAC BY-LAWS (REVISED JUNE 20, 2017) SECTION 4.9 Meeting Attendance

4.9.1

A member of PIAC who participates in a meeting through electronic means shall be deemed to be present at the meeting, as per O. Reg. 330/10, s. 6.

4.9.2

It is the responsibility of all PIAC members who will be absent from a meeting, to notify the Co-Chairs in a timely fashion prior to the start of the meeting, as per section 4.9.5 of these By-laws.

4.9.3

If a member has been absent for three consecutive meetings, written notification will be given by the Co-Chairs to the absentee PIAC member and to his/her relevant trustee or CLG concerning the absence.

4.9.4

Members who are absent for three consecutive meetings without cause shall be declared to have vacated their position, unless it is agreed by their constituency group that representation will be provided by the elected alternate, and notification of the same is brought forward by the relevant trustee or CLG to the Co-Chairs.

4.9.5

Any member who is unable to attend at a PIAC meeting shall provide the Co-Chairs with a minimum of 24 hours' written notice, where possible, of regrets or apologies for absence, via electronic mail, with a copy to the Central Coordinator, PCEO. The minutes of each meeting shall include a notation of those members absent and those members advising of apologies for absence. Any member who misses either (a) three (3) or more consecutive PIAC general meetings without advising apologies for absence, or (b) total of four (4) PIAC general meetings in any fiscal year, may be removed from his/her seat. The Membership WG Lead/Co-Lead may move for the removal of any member, with the matter requiring a simple majority vote to pass.

Question(s)

**What are the Ministry of Education and TDSB's recommendations regarding virtual (or online) ward elections of TDSB parent/guardian representatives and alternates on PIAC?**

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## Next Steps and Action items

**All current and prospective members can register their interest in joining specific Working Groups each new school year using the following links and resources:**

- PIAC Working Groups Sign-up Form for 2020-2021: <http://bit.ly/WGsignup2020>
- List of 2020-2021 Working Groups and descriptions: <http://bit.ly/WGdesc2020>
- PIAC Google Calendar (typically lists all WG meetings): <http://bit.ly/PIACcalendar>
- PIAC Guidelines & Best Practices Working Groups: <http://bit.ly/PIACWGguidelines>

## Working Group Leads

1. **Felicia** Seto-Lau (Ward 3 Rep)
2. **Nazerah** Shaikh (Ward 14 Rep)

## Working Group Members

3. **Sharon** Grant (W4 Rep)
4. **Patricia** Seedial (W4 Alt)
5. **Jess** Hungate (Ward 5 Rep)
6. **Jaimala** (Ward 5 Alt)
7. **Wilmar** Kortleever (W11 Rep)
8. **Janice** Barnett (Ward 11 Alt)
9. **Jenny** Gannon (W14 Alt)
10. **Shanti** Chand (W19 Alt)
11. **Christopher** Levien (Ward 20 Rep)