



Toronto District School Board

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

- Committee:** Parent Involvement Advisory Committee (PIAC)
- Date:** Thursday, November 18th, 2014
- Time:** 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm
- Present:** John T. (Co-Chair); Vivek R. (W1); Tina C-K (W3); Norman P (W4); Devon F. (W5, Alt); Ceyrina C. (W7); Jess H. (W8); Mona R. (W8, Alt); Sophia R. (W9); D. Williams (W10); Darlene G. (W10, Alt); Eva R. (W12); Wilmar K.(W13); Julie Dasoo (W13, Alt); Kate W. (W16); Trixie D. (W17); Steve C. (W18); James R. (W19); Sude S. (W20); Cathie N. (W20, Alt); Sharon K.(W21); Ward D. (W21, Alt); Saida S. (SPLC); Mirian T. (SSEN); Towhid Noman (TBPAC)
- Teleconference:** Sarah A. (W2); Suban A. (W5); Jasmine I. (W22)
- Guests:** Stephen Thiele (W2); Randy Samuel (W17); Courtney McFarlane (W17); Husein Kirefa (W2); Karin Rosenberg (Parent); Trustee Pamela Gough
- Regrets:** Ali M. (W1, Alt); Christy Heath (W3, Alt); Dagmar Grasser (W8, Alt)
- Staff:** Michelle Munroe, Central Co-ordinator, Parent & Community Engagement Office (PCEO); Executive Superintendent Jim Spyropoulos, Equity and Inclusive Schools
- Recorder:** Linda Mendonca, Committee Assistant

#	ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATION/MOTION
1.	Welcome & Introductions	John T., outgoing Co-Chair called the meeting to order 7:16pm. This meeting is largely to hold elections for two Co-Chairs; for a 2-year term, and 1-year term.	
2.	Approval of Quorum	Quorum was achieved at 7:20pm.	
3.	Declaration of Possible Conflict of Interest	None declared.	
4.	Approval of Agenda	***Motion: Kate moved, seconded by Eva to approve the agenda with the following amendments. 15 in favour. Motion carried. 1.) E-mail re: Concussion Policy - strategy and timeline for submission 2.) MOE Consultations with School Councils & PICS re: Human Development & Sexual Health	
5.	Approval of Minutes – Informal Meeting Notes - October 15, 2014	***Motion: Eva moved, seconded by Jess to defer the approval of the minutes for the next meeting. 12 in favour. Motion Carried. Minutes to be amended to reflect that Co-Chair asked the room if it was acceptable to set aside the by-	



	<p>Minutes – PIAC – October 15, 2014</p>	<p>laws in order to continue the meeting with the absence of a Trustee Co-Chair and quorum not being achieved.</p> <p>It was suggested that the minutes and informal meeting notes be combined as one document to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reflect the discussion which took place prior to the time quorum was achieved at 8:23p.m. • outline items that were approved; and • include the start and end time of the informal meeting notes and minutes. <p>The motion outlined in the minutes to accept TBPAC as a CLG was challenged by Vivek. However, the chair recalled calling for a motion from the floor.</p>																									
<p>6.</p>	<p>Co-Chair Elections</p>	<p>Elections for 2 Co-Chairs (1-Year/2-Year Terms)</p> <p>The nomination chair outlined the procedures for elections and answered questions from the floor. The nominees included Steve C. (Ward 18), D.W. (Ward 10), Sharon K. (Ward 21), Kate W. (Ward 16), Sude S. (Ward 20), Wilmar K. (Ward 13). No nominations were received from the floor.</p> <p>The deciding vote was 50% +1 of the following 21 Wards and CLG’s represented.</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="493 771 1585 917"> <tr> <td>Vivek R. (W1)</td> <td>Sarah A. (W2)</td> <td>Tina C-K. (W3)</td> <td>Norman P. (W4)</td> <td>Devon F. (W5)</td> <td>W6 (no rep)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ceyrina C. (W7)</td> <td>Jess H. (W8)</td> <td>Sophia R. (W9)</td> <td>D. W. (W10)</td> <td>W11 (no rep)</td> <td>Eva R (W12)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wilmar K. (W13)</td> <td>W14 (no rep)</td> <td>Kate W. (W16)</td> <td>Trixie D. (W17)</td> <td>Steve C. (W18)</td> <td>James R. (W19)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sude S. (W20)</td> <td>Sharon K. (21)</td> <td>Cathie N. (W22)</td> <td>Mirian T. (SSEN)</td> <td>Saida S. (SPLC)</td> <td>Towhid N. (TPBAC)</td> </tr> </table> <p>Co-Chair Trafananko asked all members who are sitting as a ward delegate or alternate to declare if they are not a legal guardian of a child within TDSB. None declared.</p> <p>Seven rounds of voting took place. Round #1 resulted with D. Williams as the Co-Chair for a 2-Year term. Rounds #2-#4 resulted in ties with Steve C. & Wilmar K. dropped from the ballot. Round #5 resulted with Sude S., Sharon K., and Kate W. remaining. Round #6 resulted with Sude S., and Sharon K. remaining. Round #7 resulted with Sude S. being elected as the Co-Chair (1-Year Term).</p> <p>Trustee Glover and Executive Superintendent Spyropoulos congratulated D. W. and Sude S. as the PIAC’s new Co-Chairs and thanked all the candidates for stepping forward.</p> <p>John T. thanked everyone for a generally good year during his term. He reminded everyone that they were here for the children. The co-chair role was transitioned to the new co-chairs Debra W. & Sude S. who co-chaired the remainder of the meeting.</p> <p>***Motion: Jess, seconded by Wilmar moved to destroy election ballots. 14 in favour. Motion carried</p>	Vivek R. (W1)	Sarah A. (W2)	Tina C-K. (W3)	Norman P. (W4)	Devon F. (W5)	W6 (no rep)	Ceyrina C. (W7)	Jess H. (W8)	Sophia R. (W9)	D. W. (W10)	W11 (no rep)	Eva R (W12)	Wilmar K. (W13)	W14 (no rep)	Kate W. (W16)	Trixie D. (W17)	Steve C. (W18)	James R. (W19)	Sude S. (W20)	Sharon K. (21)	Cathie N. (W22)	Mirian T. (SSEN)	Saida S. (SPLC)	Towhid N. (TPBAC)	
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		<p>Elections wrapped up at 10pm. Motion to extend the meeting to 10:30pm was approved.</p> <p>Members discussed the time sensitive items for the remainder of the meeting and heard the Executive Superintendent and PCEO Report.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>School Rep for HPE Curriculum - Feedback From Parents/Guardians</p>	<p>Wilmar K. reported that the Ministry of Education (MOE) is writing a new policy on Health and Physical Education Curriculum, Grades 1–8 Human Development and Sexual Health and is seeking feedback from parents on the curriculum through a 6-question survey. There’s a lot of background information to review. It was suggested that an adhoc committee be struck to work on the response. Steve, Kae, Vivek, Sarah, Jess, Darlene, Trixie, Saida, Mona, and Wilmar volunteered to be part of the adhoc committee.</p> <p>Members discussed whether this needed to be vetted to all members before the response is submitted to the MOE. Trustee Glover advised members that this issue is highly controversial; he’s been receiving a number of e-mails about it. He suggested that members ensure that everyone has vetted it before the submission to MOE. It was decided that the motion include that the adhoc committee be authorized to submit the response on behalf of PIAC.</p>	<p>***Motion: Steve moved, seconded by James that the PIAC HPE Curriculum Working Group will decide how the survey is going to be completed and is authorized to provide PIAC’s response to the PIC survey by November 28, 2014. All approved. Motion carried.</p> <p>The PIAC HPE Working Group will work off-line to prepare the submission to MOE and report back at the next meeting.</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>Executive Superintendent Report</p>	<p>Annual Parent Conference On behalf of the TDSB, Executive Superintendent Spyropoulos thanked everyone for their involvement with the Annual Parent Conference. The impact was terrific and it was good to see so many parent volunteers.</p> <p>PIAC Co-Chair Elections Co-Chair elections were an inspiration to see six outstanding rounds of ballots which spoke to the quality of the candidates involved.</p> <p>Trustee Orientation Was held last Saturday. This year elections resulted in the largest group of new Trustees.</p> <p>Board Org Meeting Will be held on December 1st. A new Board Chair and Co-Chair will be selected. Congratulations to Trustee Glover on his successful run for Trustee.</p> <p>Artificial Turfs Members expressed concerns about health hazards of Artificial Turfs. Superintendent Spyropoulos checked with appropriate staff and confirmed that there are no known health hazards at this time.</p>	



		<p>Roofing Repairs & Notice to Principals Principals are informed of roofing repairs with ample notice. Logs indicate when principals are notified and this gives them sufficient notice to be able to notify parents and the community.</p> <p>Board Improvement Plan Student Achievement (BIPSA) Achievement targets for Student Achievement plan and for schools are available.</p> <p>James R. in reference to the Board Improvement Plan template asked what the level of involvement with School Councils is and to know what the expected involvement of school councils is? The template has no column to track the results at the end of the year. Executive Superintendent Spyropoulos responded by saying that the principal has a duty to involve parents in the School Improvement Plan. The school template does that. We can consider including a column.</p> <p>James also asked if the Board can update the website for SIP information. In the centre of the model, there is no connection to student and parent involvement.</p> <p>Ward D. asked what the expectations are for principals on reporting. Executive Superintendent confirmed that principals must report back on numbers.</p>	<p>Executive Superintendent Spyropoulos suggested that the info be shared along with Teaching and Learning at a future PIAC meeting.</p> <p>Executive Superintendent Spyropoulos will follow up and report back to the PIAC about the SIP, and connection to student & parent involvement.</p>
9.	Trustee Report	<p>Trustee Chris Glover reported that it's exciting to have 11 New Trustees join this year. Other than that, the only item up for discussion is the Central Tech Dome to be discussed at the Finance Committee meeting tomorrow and the media reports on the TDSB.</p>	
10.	PCEO Update	<p>Feedback re: MOE HPE Curriculum Review Michelle M. asked members to consider involving everyone in the review of the submission. The issue is a huge one and important for everyone to review and have a voice.</p> <p>PIAC Orientation Dates Proposed dates are Thursday, December 4th, 2014 and February 24th 2015. Members requested the February date be deferred till after the School Council Appreciation Dinner.</p> <p>*** Motion: James, seconded by Steve, moved to extend the meeting until 10:30pm. 11 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstention. Motion carried.</p> <p>SSEN Term Mirian T.'s term as SSEN rep has come to an end. On behalf of the Board, Michelle M. extended a special thank you to Mirian for her hard work and diligence on the PIAC and her work with the Annual Parent Conference.</p> <p>Concussion Policy If PIAC wants to consult on the Concussion Policy it needs to be done by December 3rd. Sharon K. is the</p>	<p>Michelle M. to follow up regarding a new February PIAC orientation date.</p> <p>Concussion Policy Working Group to report back at the</p>



		<p>lead. Tina and Norm volunteered to be part of the Concussion Policy Working Group.</p> <p>SEAC/PIAC Special Education Conference- January 2014 SEAC has received a PRO Grant for \$13, 000. The Director has also committed some funds towards the conference. Currently, uncertain who the SEAC rep will be as they are going through elections. Proposed to delay the conference to April. Dagmar G. is committed to working as the PIAC lead. Mona R. expressed that April is IPRC season and that January 31t is better. Members interested in working on the committee are asked to come forward.</p>	<p>next meeting regarding submission.</p> <p>SEAC/PIAC Conference Planning Committee to provide update at the next meeting.</p>
11.	Working Group Updates	<p>SPLC Events Saida S. reported that SPLC events will be held on January 15, March 12, and May 17, 2014. Details to follow.</p>	
12.	PIAC Annual Plan Approval & Working Group Assignments	<p>Deferred to next meeting.</p>	
13.	New Business	<p>None noted.</p>	
1	Adjournment	<p>***Motion: James moved, seconded by Norm to adjourn the meeting at 10:30pm. All approved. Motion carried.</p>	

FROM: Michelle Munroe, Central Co-ordinator – Parent and Community Engagement (PCEO)