

# Community Advisory Committees

Name of Committee: Urban Indigenous Community Advisory Committee (UICAC)

Meeting Date: 17th, November, 2020

A meeting of the Urban Indigenous Community Advisory Committee convened on 17th, November, 2020 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on ZOOM, with Elder Dr. Joanne Dallaire presiding.

Attendance: Dr. Joanne Dallaire (Elder, Chair), Laureen Blu Waters (Elder, Seneca College), Cynthia Bell-Clayton (ENACBE), Saby Chandi (P, TDSB), Lisa Dilworth (Principal, TDSB), Dr. Susan Dion (YorkU), Mary Doucette (OA, TDSB), Robert Durocher (Instructional Leader, TDSB), Barbara-Ann Felschow (Retired Principal, TDSB), Natasha Gleeson (SST, TDSB), Marilyn Hew (TYRMC), Melanie Laking (Parent Council), Shannon Judge (Parent Council), Paige Kreps (Toronto Inuit Association), Melissa Mohammed (OA, TDSB), Candice O'Grady (Communications Officer, TDSB), Allan Olexson (City of Toronto), Dr. Bob Phillips (Community), Adrienne Plumley (Instructional Leader, TDSB), Dr. Duke Redbird (Elder), Joe Rock (City of Toronto), Christina Saunders (CAVP, TDSB), Tanya Senk (P/CAP, TDSB), Pauline Shirt (Elder), Jim Spyropoulos (Executive Superintendent, TDSB), Waabshka-Mkwa (2Spirits), Brandie Wilson (NLC Downtown – NCFST), Darren Wilson (NCFST), Selina Young (City of Toronto).

Also present were: Alexander Brown (Trustee), Trixie Doyle (Trustee), Jennifer Story (Trustee), Dan Maclean (Trustee).

# Regrets:

Cassandra Churm (TPH), Kelly Hashimi (Our Children's Medicine), Renee Roy (Indigenous Graduation Coach, TDSB).

#### Part A: Recommendations

No recommendations to report.

## **Part B: For Information Only**

#### Facility, 16 Phin – Mobility, Accessibility, Health & Safety, Renovations.

As Part One of the construction project has been completed at 16 Phin Avenue conversations will take place with the Elders Council before moving onto Part Two. Design team, Elders Council, Staff and Parent representation will meet shortly to plan out the vision for Part Two. Dates, timelines and scope of work will be discussed at future UICAC meetings.

#### Indigenous Student Trustee:

As Student Trustee Clarity Smoke has stepped down to move to her home community the position of Indigenous Student Trustee needs to be filled. It has been forwarded to the Indigenous Youth Council for the appointment of a new Student Trustee.

## Hiring practices, recruitment, retention and mobility.

Dr. Susan Dion spoke to the partnership between the Urban Indigenous Education Centre (UIEC) and the Faculty of Education at York University. The Waaban program recently had 19 self-identified teachers graduate and the Masters cohort will commence in September 2021. In addition, the UIEC will be positing a .5 temporary supply position for a Cultures and Traditions Instructor and a 1.0 Community Liaison acting position.

#### **Part C: Ongoing Matters**

No matters to report

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