

Statutory Committee

Name of Committee: Parent Involvement Advisory Committee (PIAC)

Meeting Date: 9 March 2021

A meeting of the Parent Involvement Advisory Committee convened on 9 March 2021, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:33 p.m. via ZOOM platform with PIAC Co-Chairs D. Williams and Felicia Seto-Lau.

Attendance

Sharleen Ahmed (W15 Rep), John Bakous (W8 Alt), Kaydeen Bankasingh (W8 Rep), Janice Barnett(W11 Alt), Shanti Chand(W19 Alt), Cecile Farnum (W9 Alt), Denese Gascho (W10 Rep), Sharon Grant (W4 Rep), Dean Gray (W6 Alt); Madelaine Hamilton(W 16 Alt), Jaimala (W5 Alt), Jess Hungate(W5 Rep); Nadia Judunath(W22 Alt), Wilmar Kortleever(W11 Rep), Felicia Lau (Co-Chair), Christopher Levien (W20 Rep), Abdullah Mamun(W19 Rep), Nicole Marshall (W22 Rep); Seema Mitchell (W18 Rep), Mark Ramcharan(W18 Alt), Alice Romo (W7 Rep), Saira Somani(W3 Alt), Patricia Seedial (W4 Alt) Nazerah Shaikh (W14 Rep), Andrew Waters (W9 Rep), D.Williams (Co-Chair)

Trustee Trixie Doyle, Yvonne Martinez (Mgr. Psych Svs), Susan Moulton (CAP Sp Ed), Michelle Munroe (CTRL Coord, PCEO), System Supt Angela Nardi- Addesa, Exec Supt Uton Robinson, Janine Small (CAP Sp Ed)

Regrets

Associate Director Curtis Ennis, Neil Faba (W15 Alt); Jenny Gannon (W14 Alt), Zuojun Han(W 20 Alt), Kate Leuschen Millar (W16 Rep), Towhid Noman(CLG), Aretha Phillip (W13 Rep), Vivek Rao (W2 Alt), Charlotte Schwartz (W10 Alt), Syed Sumar Alam (Ward 13 Alt), Mirian Turcios (W6 Rep), Glenna Wellington (W17 Alt)

Part A: Recommendations

None

Part B: For Information Only PIAC EXEC

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Motion #1

PIAC Co-Chairs with assistance from the PIAC Executive Committee, draft a PIAC Equity and Anti-Racism Statement which includes PIAC's commitment to equity, anti-oppression and anti-racism (including the commitment to oppose anti-Black racism, anti-Asian racism, anti-Semitism, anti-Indigenous racism,

Islamophobia and homophobia).

PRO Grants

Breakdown of the PRO Grant fund \$135,000 that the district was allocated:

- \$52,500 was allocated to the School Councils Grants
- \$20,000 was identified for additional virtual engagement tools
- 35,000 for the conversation series and
- 24,000 for the multilingual resources.

Motion # 2

Reallocation of Parent Reaching Out Grant funds \$ 24,000 from the multilingual support resources to supporting the school council grants application process (in addition to \$ 52,000).

Motion #3

PIAC provides a total of \$25,000 to support School Council requests (1 per SC and up to \$1500 each) that support initiatives/activities which engage parents/caregivers (including virtual), and builds School Councils' capacity around Human Rights, Equity, Anti-Racism, Anti-Indigenous and Anti-Black Racism for this 2020-2021 school year.

Motion #4

PIAC's consultations working group draft a formal deputation to be approved by the Co-Chairs and to be submitted by them to the trustees at the March 31 meeting of the program and school Services Committee in support of the continued funding by the province for the PRO Grants.

Virtual Parent Engagement

Motion #5

Virtual Enagement

PIAC support parents who request assistance in submitting the Police Reference Check to a maximum budget of \$2000.

Motion #6

PIAC support the engagement of a Consultant who will facilitate/assist with the Collection, Sorting, and Distribution of Class Lists, with a maximum budget of \$2500

Spring Event

Motion #7

PIAC support a virtual event to be held on Sat. May 1 and Sun. May 2 on topics of Equity, Anti-Racism and Anti Oppression in line with the TDSB's commitment to these areas AND Mental Health with a focus on social interaction for students.

Parent participation in Vice principal Interview Process(PVP)

Spring 2021 PVP session:

Training Attendance: 49 Parents
Parents on Interview Teams: 23 Parents
Cancelled: 4 Parents
No Shows: 1 Parent

• Declines/Not Available: 10 Parents

Motion #8

PIAC work with the PCEO to develop and send out a survey for all parents, guardians and caregivers who expressed interest in participating in the P/VP interview process to solicit their feedback on the experience

Staff Update

Staff provided an update on CCAT Testing

- Universal Screening CCAT Screening tool
- Pandemic Impact on the CCAT testing
- Universal Screening Plan-
- Phase #1 In Person -Testing done in 400 Elementary schools; rest of the schools will complete the testing in March
- Phase #2 Virtual School -CCAT testing done virtually Susan Lee

Graduation

Graduations will be virtual this year, diplomas and certificates to be picked up by students at their local school.

School Messenger

IT Staff in working with school messenger to disable the preview list and the report generating feature by June.

Email Migration

TDSB email migration from Network to Cloud to happen in June.

Black History Month or African heritage Month

The heritage month was well participated and successful, the webcast "stronger than hate" received a great deal of interest and positive response.

Human Rights Reports

Staff focussed on hiring to build staffing capacity and working on addressing the serious racism problem within the system.

Part C: Ongoing Matters

New PIAC Members

- 1. Susan Lee (W12 Rep)
- 2. Albert Wong (W12 Alt)

Report Submitted by Associate Director, Curtis Ennis and Michelle Munroe Central Coordinator PCEO