

Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) Meeting

January 15, 2019



MINUTES



7:00 Call to Order – Chair Roselyn Sagar-Lal

Land Acknowledgement

Welcome/ Introductions

Approval of Agenda

1st. Mary Hindle 2nd. Patricia Crosbie

Approval of Minutes

1st. Saamah Jadoon 2nd. Adriana Fajardo-Chadaha

Video: This is my story – Episode Two – Tanya Hawthorne

Welcome Tiffany Sherwood as Co-Chair

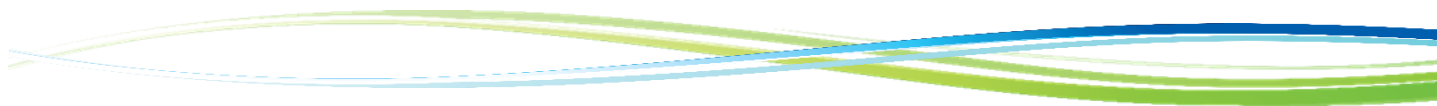
Recognition: Volunteer of Distinction and Regional SCC November

Heather thanked committee members for their time and commitment.

7:25 – 8:00 Presentation: New Cannabis Laws – Dan Hogan

Notes: Cannabis what parents and students need to know

- ◇ Cannabis Legislation Update – Now legal if you are 19 years or older
- ◇ Remains illegal (Criminal) for persons 19 year of age and over to be in possession of over 30g of cannabis, persons under the age of 19 to be in possession of cannabis (provincial offence/fine) 5 g or more (Criminal charge under YCJA – Youth Criminal Justice Act)
- ◇ Regulations – Violations that may result in a fine resulting from the use of recreational or medical cannabis
 - Use on prohibited places e.g. Schools – There is a change to SFOA that all smoking and vaping must be 20 m away from school property.
 - Use in a motor vehicle – This includes drivers and passengers, whether the vehicle is running or not (Highway Traffic Act)
- ◇ Not covered by current Bill C-45 – Cannabis-infused edibles and drinks will continue to be illegal for everyone until 2019. Cannabis concentrates continue to be illegal (Hash, Shatter)
- ◇ DDSB and School Code of Conduct
 - Smoking or vaping on school property is prohibited, regardless of the product
 - Policy 5145 – Prohibiting Smoking and the use of associated devices
 - Policy 5149 – Substance abuse
 - Policy 5500 – Code of Conduct and Discipline for Students

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- ◇ Nothing has changed for schools – Same rules as before. You could not smoke before and you cannot smoke now. What has changed for us is whom do we contact when a problem arises

◇ Important Tips

- Role model responsible use of all substances
- Store alcohol and cannabis in locked cabinets
- Delay the introduction/use of alcohol and cannabis for youth
- Have clear rules and boundaries regarding substance use
- Stay involved in your child's life
- Support your child if and when they make mistakes regards substance use

8:00-8:10 Board Report – Trustee Templeton

Notes: Trustee Templeton new to the board in Trustee role. Five new trustees. Michael Barrett - Chair

8:10- 8:25 – Break

8:30-8:45 Report – Superintendent Mundy

- i. Pro-Grants Update from Ministry
 - 102 school based approved and one regional grant (DENSA)
- ii. Consultation of School Calendar
 - SCCs should be involved in input due January 31, 2019
- iii. French Immersion Parent Network – Brochure provided by Superintendent Lazarus
- iv. Vacancies on PIC
 - 1. Next steps**
 - Parent Representative: North Elementary
 - Parent Representative: North Secondary
 - Parent Representative: Pickering Secondary
 - Community Representative



v. Virtual Meeting Option

- Investigating YouTube to have involvement from North and members who may not be able to attend in person

vi. Supporting the Ignite Learning Strategic Plan – SCC survey/ Annual Report

- Drive Familiarity
- Drive Understanding
- Drive Participation

Parent volunteer(s) to help with survey: Patricia Crosbie

8:45 – 9:00 Regional SCC Planning Discussion -Superintendent Mundy – February 26, 2019

Notes:

Discussion on focus of this Regional SCC could be Student Achievement: Learn at Home.

OR Focus would be Student Identity: Know The Child, Grow The Child.

Decision by committee to focus on Student Identity. Superintendent Mundy will reach out to Equity department.

Subcommittee meeting to plan Regional SCC will be held on January 29 at 7 p.m.

9:00 Adjournment

1st. Tiffany Sherwood

2nd. Mary Hindle.