



PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE



Wednesday, May 2, 2018
5:30 – 7:00 p.m. – Smithville Public School

MINUTES

PRESENT:	Lisa Mooney, Chris Seabrook, Alex Bradnam, Fran Cerminara, Pauline Dawson, Susan Jovanovic, Melissa Rypstra
REGRETS:	Joy Janzen, James Burnison, Stacia Heaton, Kelly McNeil
SUPERINTENDENT:	Marian Reimer Friesen
TRUSTEES:	Lora Campbell, Helga Campbell
ADMINISTRATION:	Tracy Leemet, Mat Miller
RECORDING SECRETARY:	Karen Sawatsky

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting was called to order. Superintendent Marian Reimer Friesen welcomed everyone and thanked Todd Halliday and Jayann Young, administrators of Smithville PS, for hosting our May PIC meeting. The committee toured the school, getting a chance to see the how the former secondary school has been transformed into a new space for Smithville (formerly College Street) elementary students to call home!

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Pauline Dawson
Seconded by Melissa Rypstra
“That the Agenda be adopted.”

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Moved by Melissa Rypstra
Seconded by Alex Bradnam
“That the Minutes of the Parent Involvement Committee meeting of April 4, 2018, be approved.”

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Marian began by sharing some of the “new” and “back by popular demand” session options generated by DSBN staff and PIC, based on parent feedback, in order to finalize the session options for the PIC conference being held November 7, 2018
- Meeting dates and locations were determined for the first three PIC meetings of the 2018/2019 school year as follows:

Wednesday, September 12th – DSBN Education Centre Atrium
Wednesday, October 3rd – Eden High School (Conference planning)
Wednesday, November 7th – Eden High School (PIC Conference)

- The Committee was happy to learn that both Chris Seabrook and Lisa Mooney are willing to stay on for the second year of their two-year term as co-chairs of PIC.
- Marian ended by thanking PIC for their time and commitment dedicated to supporting School Councils and DSBN during the 2017/2018 school year.

CO-CHAIR'S REPORT

- Chris Seabrook reported highlights of the PIC Symposium sessions he attended in Toronto last month. Reflecting on his experience at the symposium, he also expressed appreciation for our positive and cohesive DSBN Parent Involvement Committee.
- Lisa Mooney shared briefly from the *Findings and Recommendations from the Independent Review of Assessment and Reporting* document found on the Ministry of Education's website - <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/CurriculumRefresh/learning-province-en.pdf>
- Lisa thanked PIC for their participation and commitment during this past year.

TRUSTEE UPDATE

Trustee Lora Campbell shared the following:

- At our April 24th Board Meeting, trustees were happy to approve various summer construction projects in a few of our elementary and secondary schools, helping to enhance the facilities for our students, staff and communities. As well, Rob Haines, caretaker at Eden High School who supports our PIC at each year's conference, was recognized for his extraordinary contributions with a Director's Recognition.
- The DSBN is proud once again, to host our annual Connect Conference and Concussion Summit, providing learning opportunities for our staff as well as outside attendees.

Trustee Helga Campbell shared the following:

- The Ontario Coalition for Children and Youth Mental Health 2018 Summit's theme was "*Beyond Collaboration: Towards Integrated Systems for Supporting Child and Youth Mental Health*". The summit presentations focussed on working across tiered systems of support for the promotion of child and youth's social, emotional and mental wellbeing. Helga shared a link to the following educational video, Promoting Mental Health – Finding a Shared Language
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Klswi_4yRaE&feature=youtu.be

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Melissa Rypstra

Seconded by Pauline Dawson

"That the Parent Involvement Committee meeting adjourn."

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Next meeting – September 12, 2018
Education Centre