



Minutes

PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (PIC)

April 27, 2021

5:30 p.m.

TEAMs Meeting Online

PIC Members:	Area 1: Krista Voigt (Chair), Nicole Patterson, Anna Martens, Stephanie Cosgrove Area 2: Mandi Lamb Area 3: Vajahat Banday, Laura Walker, Shona Dykstra, Jessica Ford, Tammy Parrish Area 4: Leanne Scott, Rhonda Alpaugh
Trustee Members:	Terry Boyd-Zhang, Trustee
Resource Staff:	Lori Wilder, Director of Education Lauren Penner-Lipsett, Superintendent of Education Nicole Jackson, Principal Mary Lou Stangler, Executive Assistant (Recorder)
Absent:	Krista Voigt (Chair), Anna Martens, Jessica Ford, Mandi Lamb, Tammy Parrish, Stephanie Cosgrove, Rhonda Alpaugh

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION / DECISION / ACTION	FOLLOW UP April 27, 2021
1. Welcome and Acknowledgement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lauren Penner Lipsett, Superintendent of Education welcomed everyone. 	
2. Committee Membership and Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee reviewed committee membership and executive roles as outlined in the PIC by-laws. 	
3. Approval of Agenda	<p>Moved by: Vajahet Banday That the Agenda for April 27, 2021 of the Parent Involvement Committee be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	
4. Approval of Minutes	<p>Moved by: Vajahet Banday That the Minutes for January 26, 2021 of the Parent Involvement Committee be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	
5. Networking Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee discussed the possibility of a networking meeting with school council chairs that would be held virtually. 	
6. Establishing a PIC Sub-Committee-Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A discussion took place regarding communication channels with the PIC committee and other stakeholders including school councils, the Board of Trustees, and other provincial PIC chairs. 	
7. PIC Website Ideas and Considerations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIC website was discussed; if committee members have suggestions or ideas for the website, forward items to Mary Lou. 	
8. Parents Reaching Out Grant (PRO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Parents Reaching Out Grant (PRO) was discussed; funds have been used to support the ThoughtExchange Licence. 	
9. ThoughtExchange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee discussed the launch of their first ThoughtExchange with Bluewater parents; the question was to be determined by gaining member feedback. 	Send another survey out to committee members to launch ThoughtExchange question next

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10. Staff Report	<p>Lauren Penner Lipsett provided an update on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remote School updates and planning for the fall • Advocacy around vaccination clinics and vaccinations being offered to staff • Professional learning for staff being done remotely focusing on the New Teacher Induction Program (NTIP) • Science of Reading program was launched to support teachers in learning about the science of reading • New Grade 9 de-streamed mathematics curriculum should be released before the end of the school year • Presentation to all administrators by George McAuley, Curriculum Coordinator and Anti-Racism Educator • Guest speaker, Stephen Lewis, presented virtually for students Grade 7-12 on the topic of equity in education 	
11. Trustee Report	<p>Terry Boyd-Zhang, provided a report which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ThoughtExchange update • Covid discussions are at the forefront during board meetings • A presentation was made to the board by OYAP coordinator on welding programs in Bluewater schools • New school build Georgian Bay Community School (GBCS) is coming along well • If any member of the committee has any information they would like shared with the board, please bring it to Terry and she will follow up. 	
12. PIC Meeting Dates:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 25, 2021 	
13. Agenda Items for next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee membership and executive positions 	
14. Adjournment	<p>Moved by: Vajahat Bandy That the Parent Involvement Committee Meeting adjourn at 7:05 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	