

Meeting of the Parent Involvement Committee held

Live Stream - Parent Involvement Committee Meeting

DATE: November 7, 2024 - 7:00 – 8:30 pm

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[2024/25 HDSB PIC Board Committee Members](#)

Members:

Oakville Area

Saud Juman (EJ James PS and
Maple Grove PS, OTHS)

Zena Al-Mudaris (White Oaks SS)

Seden Yesildag (Garth Webb SS)

Burlington Area

Laura Tripp (Dr. Charles Best PS,
Sir Ernest MacMillan PS)

Reem Tantawi (Dr. Frank J.
Hayden SS)

Tracy Peeters (Aldershot HS)

Milton Area

Jennifer Sibbitt (Brookville PS, Martin
Street PS, Milton District HS)

Reza Ali Chaudhry (Bruce Trail PS)

Kerry-Ann Foster (Anne J. MacArthur
PS, Elsie MacGill SS)

Halton Hills Area

Shari White (Acton District
School, Milton District HS)

Susan Doyle Sazar (George
Kennedy PS)

Andrei Denisov (Park PS)

Community Member:

Rita Ziza (HMC Connections)

Trustee:

Xin Yi Zhang

Board Liaison and Resource Personnel:

Tara Connor (Superintendent); Luisa Botelho (Garth Webb S.S. Principal)

Regrets: Jennifer Sibbitt

Absent: Ali Chaudhry, Kerri-Ann Foster

TIME	ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS	Facilitator
7:00pm	Welcome	Honouring the Land and Territories Land Acknowledgement Overview of the agenda for the evening		Co-Chair Saud Juman
7:05pm	Passing of the Minutes	Motion: Laura Tripp Seconded: Shari White		Co-Chair
7:15pm	Director's Report	Welcome from Director Curtis Ennis & Director Ennis Board Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Director Ennis reviews the HDSB Multi-Year Strategy google slide presentation Q: when is this strategy starting? A: right now in November 2024, communication team is sharing it out with all our stakeholders		Director Curtis Ennis
7:30pm	Introduction and Welcome	Introduction and Welcome to Committee Members (all members to introduce themselves and the community they are representing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Saud Juman - representing Oakville elementary - Shari White - representing Halton Hills secondary - Zena Al-Mudaris - representing Oakville secondary - Laura Tripp - Burlington elementary - Reem - Burlington secondary - Andrei Denisov - Halton Hills elementary - Xin Yi Zhang - Trustee representative for PIC - Rita Ziza - community member from HMC Connections - work with parents new in the Halton Region <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seden Yesildag - Oakville secondary - Susan Doyle Sazar - Halton Hills elementary - Tracey Peeters - Burlington secondary - Luisa Botelho - Principal at Garth Webb Secondary School representing Oakville Principals 		Co-Chair

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tara Connor - Superintendent of Education at HDSB, responsibility for the PIC portfolio - Ali Chaudhry - Had issues getting into the meeting (Milton Elementary) - Kerri-Ann Foster - Had issues getting into the meeting (Milton Secondary) - Jennifer Sibbitt - Sends regrets (Milton Elementary) 		
7:45pm	PIC 101	<p>An overview of the PIC committee / PIC role</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advisory to the school board - Engaging our families - More Information on website 		Co-Chair Shari White
7:55pm	Sub-Committee Leads and Members	<p>PIC Conference overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Free annual event put on by the PIC committee on behalf of the board - Goal is to share information and learn from each other to support one another - Includes child minding and lunch <p>This year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Date: Saturday February 8th - Location: Elsie MacGill SS in Milton - Keynote Speaker: Dr. Alex Russell <p>Any volunteers for leading the committees?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PIC Committee Chair? - Laura & Reem - Workshop Coordination - Tracy - Volunteer coordinator - Andrei - Community Displays/Tables - Louisa - Coordination with the school and onsite services 	<p>Anyone else want to volunteer/lead a committee for PIC conference?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communication from members who were not able to attend the meeting: - Ali - PIC Conference Chair - Jennifer - Community Tables 	Co-Chair

8:10pm	Upcoming Dates	<p>Overview of Upcoming Dates - PIC meetings - Feb 6, Apr 10, May 22</p> <p>Financial Training - Nov 26th, 6:30pm</p> <p>School Rep Orientation - Dec 5th, 6:30pm</p>		Co-Chair
8:20pm	PRO Grants	<p>PRO Grant Application Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - information has been shared with schools - used to support engagement of parents within your schools - Applications due by Dec 13th - Available funds is 500-750\$ - compiled a list of guest speakers/presentations using PRO grants in prior year, will be shared with school councils 		Superintendent Tara Connor
8:25pm	Trustee Updates	<p>Updates from our Trustees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technology competition “solve for tomorrow” using STEM, deadline Dec 20th for grades 6-12. - Flu season is coming, please consider getting your flu shot to help keep each other safe. 		Trustee Zhang
8:05pm	Closing Remarks	<p>Closing Remarks & Adjournment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provincial level: Updated the code of conduct to address the limit of cell phone usage in school and supporting students to eliminate smoking/vaping - Anti-bullying week (Nov 17-23rd) - If you or your council are in need of any resources, please reach out to the PIC committee. We are here to help. 		Co-Chair