

Meeting of the Parent Involvement Committee held

Live Stream - Recorded and Broadcast on YouTube
Thursday, 28 April · 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Google Meet joining info
Video call link:

Members:

Oakville Area	Burlington Area	Milton Area	Halton Hills Area
Andrea Chan, (Abbey Park H.S.)	Rupi Mann (Dr. F J Hayden and Nelson HS)	Jennifer Sibbitt (Brookville PS, Martin Street PS and Hawthorne Village PS)	Noureen Merchant (Georgetown District H.S.)
Saud Juman, Co-Chair (EJ James PS and Maple Grove PS)	Sarah Sharif (Orchard Park PS)	Kresimir Smintich (Craig Kielburger SS and Irma Coulson PS)	Patricia Kirchner, (Georgetown District HS and Silver Creek PS)
Zena Al-Mudaris, (Sunningdale P.S.)	Sarah Suhail (Ryerson PS)	Reza Ali Chaudhry (Bruce Trail PS)	Shari White, Co-Chair (McKenzie S. Bennett PS and Milton District HS)

Community Member:

Diana Bello (HMC Connections)

Trustees:

Jeanne Gray (Halton Hills, All Wards); Tanya Rocha, (Oakville, Wards 3, 6)

Board Liaison and Resource Personnel:

Aiman Flahat (Superintendent); Shelly Werynski (EJ James P.S. Principal); Luisa Botelho (Elsie Macgill S.S. Vice Principal)

Regrets: Zena Al-Mudaris Kelly Amos (Oakville, Wards 5, 7);

Absent: Rupi Mann; Sarah Sharif; Sarah Suhail; Jennifer Sibbitt; Kresimir Smintich; Reza Ali Chaudhry; Noureen Merchant; Patricia Kirchner; Diana Bello

Time	Item	Discussion/Presentation	
7:00 pm	Introductions/Welcome	Honouring the Land and Territories	
7:05 pm	Passing of the Minutes	February 10, 2022 Parent Involvement Committee Minutes	
7:10 pm	Innovative ideas in schools promoting parent engagement	Career Portals with E.J. James P.S. Student	<p>PIC Co-Chair, S. Juman introduced Jasmine Kang, a student from EJ James P.S.</p> <p>-Jasmine made a presentation on a parent career portal that the grade 7 and 8 engaged in. Students interviewed parents and they shared their career paths and how they navigated these careers.</p> <p>-They used Google Meet to interview the various professionals and students, edited these interviews and shared these videos with the other classes.</p> <p>-Jasmine indicated that there were various responsibilities that students engaged in including interviewing professionals, technology crew and production crew.</p> <p>Career Portal Team - created these questions to be used during the interview.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you please tell us your name and what your

			<p>career is?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What steps do you have to take to be able to do your career? • What education and experience does one need? • How does your job help the rest of the community? • What is one interesting story about your job that you would like to share?
7:15 pm	Conference Update	Conference Update	<p>PIC Co-Chair, S.White asked Superintendent Flahat to share what parents shared during the last PIC reps meeting and the survey that went out to the PIC reps.</p> <p>-Parents thought it might be a good idea to cancel the virtual parent conference as there are numerous presentations going on in schools that received funding through the PRO Grant funds</p> <p>-Suggestions were made to invite presenters to the next PIC committee meeting</p> <p>-Committee members suggested that we move forward with this recommendation that the conference be cancelled and we focus on this next year.</p>
7:30 pm	Trustee Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trustee Initiative of ReImagine Forward • Director's Speaker Series 	<p>-Trustee Gray congratulated the Halton Learning Foundation for teaming up with Cogeco TV to organize their recent "Students in the Spotlight" fundraising evening. The talent of</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Your Say Survey • Board Budget for next year - Feedback 	<p>the students who participated in this event was simply amazing.</p> <p>-the Trustees have recently embarked on an initiative entitled Relmagine Forward to gather ideas on the future of public education. The initiative is a grassroots project to uncover and shine a light on the positives, to seek change and grow momentum.. All parents and students will have received information on how to register and contribute to this initiative.</p> <p>-The HDSB has embarked on a series of community involvement activities which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the Director's Panel Series on Identity, Inclusion and Human Rights. Event # 5 is entitled Perspectives on Islam and Islamaphobia and is scheduled to take place May 31 from 6-7:30 P.M. b) Have our Say Survey for Parents, Students and Staff c) Board Budget Feedback <p>In this way, the Board is fulfilling its commitment to engage the community to seek ideas and perspectives. Many thanks go to all those who have participated in these events.</p>
8:00 pm	Superintendent Update		Superintendent Flahat shared how the tutoring programs will be available to students.

			Community organizations - Not for profit - applied to the HDSB to support students by creating tutoring programs in the various communities.
8:30	Closing Remarks. Next meeting May 26, 2022		PIC Co-Chairs