

SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



Our Mission: "Inspiring our students to succeed and make a difference"
Our Vision: "We are leaders in providing quality learning experiences in our small school communities"
Our Values: "Caring, Fairness, Empathy, Responsibility, Honesty, Resilience, Respect, Perseverance and Innovation"
Our Motto: "Small schools make a difference"

Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)

Wednesday, February 12, 2014 — 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

On-Site at Marathon Board Meeting Room
Electronic Access via Videoconference and/or Teleconference

Acting Chair: ?

Director: David Tamblin
Recorder: Andrée MacGillivray

1.0 Roll Call

<i>Attendance Mode: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)</i>											
Parent Involvement Committee											
Elementary Schools	O	T	V	A	R	Secondary Schools	O	T	V	A	R
	S	C	C				S	C	C		
BAPS – Jenefer Poirier... <i>School Council & PIC</i>				X		GCHS – Lisa Slomke... <i>School Council</i>					X
BAPS – ... <i>School Council</i>						GCHS – Lyne Lafrance... <i>School Council</i>					X
BEPS – Dominique Orban... <i>PIC & School Cncl (TBA)</i>				X		LSHS – ?... <i>PIC</i>					
BEPS – Theresa Nelson... <i>PIC</i>				X		MNHS – Jane Bourgeois... <i>School Council</i>					X
BEPS – Brenda Goodman... <i>PIC</i>				X		MNHS – Marcia Newton... <i>PIC</i>		X			
DOPS - Kitty Dumonski... <i>PIC & School Council</i>		X				MRHS – Leesa Jean... <i>School Council</i>	X				
DOPS – Kim Landry ... <i>School Council</i>		X				MRHS – Pearl Cooper... <i>PIC</i>	X				
GOPS - Suzanne Kukko, Chair... <i>School Council</i>				X		NRRHS – Theresa Munro... <i>School Council</i>		X			
GOPS – Michelle Bird... <i>PIC</i>				X							
MNPS – Amanda Warford... <i>School Council</i>		X				NRRHS – Martha Ver ville... <i>PIC</i>					X
MMPS – ... <i>PIC</i>											
MTPS – Julie Cyr... <i>PIC</i>				X		Trustees/Administration	O	T	V	A	R
MTPS – Paula Schwantz... <i>PIC</i>				X			S	C	C		
MTPS – Pearl Cooper... <i>School Council & PIC</i>	X					Mark Mannisto		X			
NAPS – Tamara 7 Randy Vernier... <i>PIC</i>		X				Kim Figliomeni (alt.)		X			
RRPS – Sandra Jordan... <i>PIC</i>				X		Pinky McRae (<i>Ex-Officio</i>)	X				
RRPS – Shelley Boudreau... <i>School Council</i>				X		David Tamblin	X				
SCPS –Tosha Borutski... <i>PIC</i>					X						
SCPS – Tina Hamel... <i>School Council</i>		X				Nancy Petrick		X			
TBPS – Terry Bell... <i>PIC</i>				X							
TBPS – ?... <i>School Council</i>						Andrée MacGillivray (<i>Recorder</i>)					

1.0 Welcome

David Tamblin

D. Tamblin welcomed the PIC group to this evenings meeting at 6:30 p.m.

2.0 Review and Approval of Minutes: November 20, 2013

(Attached)

Mover: _____ Second: _____

That, the minutes of the Parent Involvement Committee meeting dated November 20, 2013 be accepted and approved.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Mover: Pearl Cooper Second: Kitty Dumonski

That, the agenda for the Parent Involvement Committee meeting of February 12, 2014 be accepted.

4.0 Business Arising from Minutes

- 4.1 Election of Chairperson (David Tamblyn)
P. Cooper was elected as Chairperson of the Parent Involvement Committee. D. Tamblyn congratulated Pearl on her election. She will be chairing next meeting.

Mover: Kitty Dumonski Second: Tina Hamel

5.0 Chair: Parent Involvement Committee

(David Tamblyn)

- 5.1 **5th Annual PIC Symposium**, April 25-26, 2014 – Toronto (Attached)
D. Tamblyn advised budget for two PIC members to attend this year's symposium in Toronto. Those who are interested in attending are asked to contact David Tamblyn.
- 5.2 2014-2015 School Year Art Calendar
Last year's calendar was late but very happy with the layout of the calendar. There were positive reviews from the S.G.D.S.B. school community in regards to the 2013-2014 calendar. Ideas were brought forward to "**add**" more information to the calendar. P. McRae was cautious as to "**too much information**" on the calendar therefore causing the calendar to be over budget.

6.0 Director of Education

(David Tamblyn)

- 6.1 Ministry Approval of 2014-2015 School Calendar
SGDSB working with co-terminous board to co-ordinate bussing, P.D. (same days: Sept. 2, 26, Oct. 24/ 2014, Jan. 30, April 24, and June 8/2015). This will be brought forward to the February 24th Board Meeting to be approved. Once approved the 2014-2015 Board Calendar will be posted on our website.
- 6.2 Mental Health Staff Needs Survey
D. Tamblyn reported 144 respondents on the Student Survey. One of the results that stood out from the survey: is a concern with a student's *sense of belonging*.
Results from the staff survey indicated 100% extremely concerned with achievement and well-being of our students.
Student absenteeism and inability to concentrate and focus at school stood out.
The teaching staff expressed a concern of not being equipped to deal with mental health issues. A survey will be sent out this spring to see any changes or how to address issues.
N. Petrick reported student survey was sent out last spring on *School Climate and Safe School*.
The results of the survey are to be released, electronically on Board website, last week in February. A Parent Survey will be released in the spring, (completely anonymous), in which five key areas are being addressed:

1. Two-way communication with parents.
2. Parent support learning at home.
3. Parent participation at school.
4. How School Supports Learning.
5. Does the school support child's behavior?

Tell Them From Me: survey was Board wide and broken down per school. The information was collated and will be available on Board website. An open discussion followed.

- 6.4 Parental Engagement Project

(Nicole Morden-Cormier)

Attached is presentation by N. Morden-Cormier:

- ✓ Partners in Education: Home and School
- ✓ S.G.D.S.B.: Working Together for the Best Start
- ✓ It Takes A Village to Raise A child: Our Collective Community Responsibility

- 6.5 Early Years Policy Framework – Developing a Community Approach
N. Morden-Cormier reported document outlines youngest learners responsive to programs.
Morden-Cormier informed our board working with co-terminous boards. Presentation of framework to take place December 11th.

7.0 PIC Representative Feedback

(Open Discussion)

- 7.1 Did you set any goals as school council at the beginning of the year?
How are you doing regarding these goals?
D. Tamblyn asked PIC representatives to report on their community projects.
Dorion: Olympic game's - great event, 25% parents out participating and have extra parents on council.
Schreiber: No specific event at this time. Hamel reported on annual Christmas 50/50 ticket sales and basket sales both were another huge success. K. Asmussen, Principal, has challenged all the schools within S.G.D.S.B. building snow sculptures.
Marathon: Cooper reported coupons for board game/cooking as family will run until after March Break. Pancake Breakfast at Christmas (invited Tamblyn and Marathon Mayor) and continuing with Fun Nights. Hot Chocolate days continue, this has been well received with the cold day's we've been experiencing.
Manitouwadge: Bake Sale and Spaghetti Lunch to celebrate/promote *Literacy Day* at Public School. The high school is continuing with fundraising for Bursaries in June, Bottle Drive to purchase sport uniforms, celebrate Teacher Appreciation Day in May, extra-curricular activities, post Parent Council Minutes in school and send home electronically, and volleyball event with parents.
Nakina: They continue with fundraising: Bake Sale/Bottle Drive as well as co-operating with other schools.

8.0 Suggestions: Future Agenda Items

Tamblyn instructed to PIC to bring questions/ideas be brought forward for the next meeting to e-mail himself or P. Cooper.

9.0 Next Meeting Dates

Note: Reg. 330/10 requires that **four meetings** be held in each school year.

Next Meeting Date: April 9, 2014

10.0 Adjournment

Mover: Pearl Cooper Second: Mark Mannisto

That, the Parent Involvement Committee meeting on February 12, 2014, adjourn at 7:55 p.m.