

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, May 13, 2015 — 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

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

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Chair: Pearl Cooper

Recorder: Andrée MacGillivray

1.0 Roll Call

Attendance Mode: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)											
Parent Involvement Committee											
Elementary Schools	O	T	V	A	R	Secondary Schools	O	T	V	A	R
	S	C	C				S	C	C		
BAPS – Melissa Groom... <i>School Council</i>				x		GCHS – Lynne Lafrance , Matthew Donovan... <i>School Council/PIC</i>					x
BAPS – ... <i>Amelie Nephin, Natalie Cormier... School Council</i>				x		GCHS – Lee Anne Donovan, Chantal Barrett, Paulette Abraham, Mary Jane Dunn... <i>School Council</i>				x	
BEPS – Nikki Orban-Goodman... <i>School Cncl & PIC</i>				x		LSHS – Mandy Monks... <i>School Council/ PIC</i>		x			
BEPS – Brenda Goodman ... <i>School Council</i>		x				MNHS – Jane Bourgeois ... <i>School Council</i>				x	
BEPS – Theresa Neslon, Misty Goodman, Karen Enders, Tanya Furoy... <i>PIC</i>				x		MNHS – N/A... <i>PIC</i>					
DOPS – Kitty Dumonski... <i>School Council & PIC</i>				x		MRHS – Jennifer Bott, Paula Schawantz... <i>School Council</i>					x
DOPS – Lucie Lankimaki, Tricia Stenlund... <i>School Council</i>				x		MRHS – Pearl Cooper ... <i>PIC</i>	x				
GOPS – Kelly Mangoff , Chair... <i>School Council</i>		x				NRHS – Martha Verville, Theresa Monroe, Maria Gauvin... <i>School Council</i>					x
GOPS – Michelle Bird... <i>School Council</i>				x		NRHS – N/A... <i>PIC</i>					
MNPS – Amanda Warford , Theresa-Lynne Cain... <i>School Council & PIC</i>			x								
MTPS – Aryn Rooney, Julie Cyr... <i>School Council</i>				x							
MTPS – Faith Yaciuk... <i>PIC</i>				x		Trustees/Administration	O	T	V	A	R
MMPS – Alyson Beaudry, Amanda Stark... <i>School Council</i>				x			S	C	C		
MMPS – Rose Anne Nieman , Sherri Sawry, Amanda Cassie... <i>PIC</i>		x				Mark Mannisto		x			
NAPS – Christiane Young, Lee Ann Donovan... <i>School Council</i> ...Matthew Donovan, Christiane Young/ <i>PIC</i>				x		Kim Figliomeni (alt.)		x			
RRPS – Sara Hardy, Downey LeBar, Candice Hedlun... <i>School Council & PIC</i>				x		Pinky McRae (<i>Ex-Officio</i>)					x
SCPS – Tosha Borutski, Erinn Nesbitt , Patricia White... <i>School Council</i>		x				David Tamblyn	x				
SCPS –Tina Hamel, Tosha Borutski... <i>PIC</i>				x		Nicki Morden-Cormier		x			
TBPS – Melissa Lalande , Wendy Adams, Kristi Voogt... <i>School Council</i>						Nancy Petrick				x	
		x				Andrée MacGillivray (<i>Recorder</i>)		x			

1.0 Welcome

David Tamblyn

P. Cooper welcomed the group and the meeting commenced at 6:30 p.m.

2.0 Review and Approval of Minutes: April 15, 2015

(Attached)

Mover: Mark Mannisto Second: Amanda Warford

That, the minutes of the Parent Involvement Committee meeting dated April 15, 2015, be accepted and approved.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Mover: Kim Figliomeni Second: Mark Mannisto

That, the agenda for the Parent Involvement Committee meeting of May13, 2015, be accepted.

4.0 Business Arising from Minutes

4.1 Nothing to report.

(David Tamblyn)

5.0 Chair: Parent Involvement Committee

(Pearl Cooper)

5.1 L. Lafrance asked A. MacGillivray to contact Principals and Vice Principals to provide a name of a speaker to present at a PIC Meeting for the 2015-2016 school year. Following a brief discussion N. Morden-Cormier indicated *the Superior-Greenstone District School Board along with the Superior North Catholic District School Board and the Brass Bell/Best Start have partnered together in the hopes of receiving money through the Regional PRO grant (Parent Reaching Out Grant) Our vision is to bring Dr. Jean Clinton to our area to offer sessions for parents. Please read "The Power of Positive Adult Child Relationships: Connections Is the Key."* Following link you may access on *Think, Feel, Act* which is an early years document that contains Some of Dr. Clinton's research: <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/ResearchBriefs.pdf>. The Following site contains videos that support this document: <https://www.edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/research.html>.

6.0 Director of Education

(David Tamblyn)

6.1 **Director's Report**

(David Tamblyn)

D. Tamblyn advised the **Directors Newsletter** is posted monthly on the S.G.D.S.B. website. The Newsletter provides the many special initiatives taking place in our district, i.e. math, Healthy Eating at M.P.S., Student Success and so forth.

Assistant Deputy Minister Jim Grieve: D. Tamblyn had the honour of welcoming **Assistant Deputy Minister Jim Grieve** to the district. The ADM travelled to Nipigon to visit the Early Years Program and Best Start. The Director and the Superintendent Nicole Morden-Cormier spoke to the ADM about opening a day care facility in B.A.P.S. in Geraldton. Mr. Grieve and Mr. Tamblyn travelled to Marathon and visited M.T.P.S. Day Care and Kindergarten program. Mr. Grieve was happy with the collaboration between these two programs. Mr. Grieve invited Mr. Tamblyn to share the success of these programs at the provincial level.

P.D. on April 24th: S.G.D.S.B. provided Professional Development to all staff in which they received workshop on "**Safe Talk**", which comprised of suicide alert training. Mental Wellness was another component with this training and to recognize students in distress and how to help. There was a lot of positive feedback from the staff in regards to this training.

Education Week: took place between May 4th and May 8th with many activities centered around *Moving Forward in Math*.

G.C.H.S. travelled to Iceland: for one week 12 students from G.C.H.S. travelled to Iceland where they played hockey and continued with their education of studying the geology of the island. These students will present their experience at the next Board Meeting taking place in Geraldton on May 25th.

Skills Canada: a number of high school students participated in a dual credit art program which included: Carpentry, culinary arts, welding and so forth.

Student Senate: On May 13, 2015, representatives from each elementary and secondary school in our district met and listened to speeches, followed by questions, by three candidates vying for the position of Student Trustee for the 2015-2016 year. Mr. Tamblyn reported the caliber of oral presentation, volunteer work, and leadership was second to none. The Student Senate representatives will have a tough choice in selecting a Student Trustee.

6.2 Labour Relations – Director of Education, David Tamblyn reported on the current labour dispute between the teacher’s federations and the province of Ontario. Regular updates on the labour dispute will be posted on the board web site or by following @SGDSBoard on Twitter.

6.3 Board Art Calendar

Artwork is being collected from the schools to be placed in the calendar. The number of calendars being printed will be reduced this year and one calendar per family will be distributed in the fall.

6.4 Board Learning Plan – Growth Mindset (Nicole Morden-Cormier)
Attached document. Please note this is an early DRAFT form.

7.0 PIC Representative Feedback

7.1 PIC Symposium (Erinn Nesbitt)
E. Nesbitt provided a written summary of her trip to the PIC Symposium. The committee received a copy.

8.0 Suggestions: Future Agenda Items

P. Cooper suggested pooling resources from PRO in order to invite a speaker to travel to the schools and present on either Bullying, Growth Mindset or another topic of interest that applies to education.

9.0 Next Meeting Dates

Note: Reg. 330/10 requires that **four meetings** be held in each school year.
Next Meeting Date: October 2015, after School Council Chair elections.

10.0 Adjournment

*Mover: Mark Mannisto Second: Kim Figliomeni
That, the Parent Involvement Committee meeting on May 13, 2015, adjourn at 7:27 p.m.*