



## SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

### **Our Mission:**

*"In SGDSB we are learners. Everything we do is designed to help all students succeed and make a difference. We build positive places for learning and working... together".*

### **Our Vision:**

*"Inspiring our students to succeed and make a difference".*

### **Our Motto:**

*"Small schools make a difference".*

### **Our Values:**

*"Character, Citizenship, Collaboration, Communication, Creativity and Critical Thinking".*

### **Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)**

Tuesday, January 19, 2021 — 6:30 p.m.

### **MINUTES**

Microsoft Teams meeting

Or call in (audio only) +1 807-701-5980 Phone Conference ID: 487 238 110#

Acting Chair: Nicole Morden Cormier

Recorder: GerriLynn Christianson

### **1.0 Roll Call**

Attendance Mode: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)										
Parent Involvement Committee										
Elementary Schools	O S	T C	V C	A	R	Secondary Schools	O S	T C	V C	A R
BAPS – Natalie Cormier, School Cncl & PIC			x			GCHS – Johanna Liscomb, School Cncl				x
BAPS – Melanie Shepherdson, School Cncl & PIC					x	LSHS – Karen Figliomeni, School Cncl & PIC			x	
BEPS – School Cncl & PIC						MNHS – Karina Hunter, School Cncl & PIC			x	
DOPS – Tess Legacy, School Cncl					x	NRHS – Kelly Mangoff, School Cncl			x	
GOPS – Bev Webb, School Cncl & PIC			x			MRHS – Paula Schwantz, School Cncl			x	
GOPS – Tricia Enders, School Cncl & PIC					x					
MNPS – Tanya Gagnon, School Council & PIC					x					
MNPS – Jennifer Warren, School Council & PIC					x					
MNPS – Gina Wheadon, School Council & PIC					x					
MNPS – Jennifer Fleurent, School Council & PIC					x					
MTPS – , School Cncl										
MMPS – , School Cncl						<b>Trustees/Administration</b>	O S	T C	V C	A R
NAPS – , School Cncl						Allison Pelletier				x
SCPS – Jaime Cebrario, School Cncl					x	Mark Mannisto (alt.)				x
SCPS – Rebecca Watson, School Cncl & PIC			x			Jason Nesbitt (alt.)			x	
TBPS – Melissa Lanovaz, School Cncl & PIC					x	Pinky McRae (Ex-Officio)			x	
<b>Principals</b>						Nicole Morden Cormier, Director of Education			x	
MTPS - Cameron Craig			x			Will Goodman, Superintendent of Education				x
MRHS – Stephen Willson					x	GerriLynn Christianson (Recorder)			x	
MNPS – Tara Balog			x			Deana Renaud, Mental Health Manager			x	
NRHS – Jennifer Rissanen					x	Hillary Freeburn, Early Years Lead			x	
Annick Brewster, Principal			x			Carol Leroux, Student Success Lead			x	
LSHS – Christ Martin					x	Shy-Anne Bartlett, Interim Indigenous Education Lead			x	
MMPS- Bev Vachon			x			Alex Marton, Superintendent of Business			x	
GOPS – Eric Leroux			x			Kellie Wrigley			x	
BAPS – Heidi Cloutier			x			Melissa Bianco			x	
MNHS – Jody Kuczynski			x							

## **2.0 Welcome**

Director of Education Nicole Morden Cormier provided an introduction of Alex Marton, the new Superintendent of Education. The Director and Hillary Freeburn, Early Years Lead provided a warm welcome and introduction of our esteemed presenter Dr. Susan Hopkins.

## **3.0 Presentations**

### **3.1 Stress, Self- Regulation, and Relationships**

Dr. Susan Hopkins provided a presentation on stress management, self-regulation and positive relationships. She discussed the benefits of self-regulation and provided examples of how to identify the stress behaviours that are seen in children and adults.

## **4.0 Review and Approval of Minutes:**

**Mover:** Karen Figliomeni

**Second:** Natalie Cormier

*That, the minutes of the Parent Involvement Committee meeting dated November 24, 2020, be accepted and approved.*

Carried

## **5.0 Director of Education**

Nicole Morden Cormier

### **5.1 Dr. Sarah Newberry Presentation Link from Nov 24, 2020 Mtg.**

The Director encouraged the committee to share the presentation link with their Parent Councils from the November 24, 2020 PIC meeting.

<https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/1008c3df-bfe8-49f9-9f99-1893d470b089>

### **5.2 2021-2022 School Year Calendar Posted for Feedback**

The Director advised that the school year calendar has been posted for stakeholder feedback and can be accessed on the board's website at <http://www.sgdsb.on.ca/proposed-2021-2022-school-year>. The school year calendar options were developed in conjunction with our coterminous boards as transportation services are shared. Once the feedback is collected and reviewed, the school boards will collectively select the calendar that will be forwarded to the school board and the Ministry of Education for approval.

### **5.3 School Cash Online**

The Director introduced the new School Cash Online program. Registration for the program was opened on Monday, January 18, 2021 and can be accessed at <http://www.sgdsb.on.ca/school-cash-online>. The School Cash Online program supports the school boards Strategic Plan and is an excellent communication tool that will provide a safe and secure way for families to purchase school items.

### **5.4 Reminder: Parent Involvement Committee Chair**

As discussed at the November 24<sup>th</sup> PIC meeting, the Committee must appoint a parent as the Committee Chair. The Director called for volunteers or nominations for the role and advised that nominations can be submitted by email to the Director until the March 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Parents Karina Hunter and Paula Schwantz expressed their interest in the role. The Director is available to follow up with all parents who express interest in the position. The matter will be brought forward to the next meeting for final decision.

### **5.5 Models of Learning During COVID-19**

The Director provided a detailed review of the models of learning available to families during the COVID-19 Pandemic. She reviewed the visual graphic displayed to illustrate the available learning models. She thanked parents for their ongoing support and patience as we collectively manage the changes and new safety routines.

5.6 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants: Next Steps

The Director advised that the school councils who received funding in the previous school year have advised that due to continued safety measures of the Pandemic, they are unable to complete the Parents Reaching Out Grants projects at this time. The Director presented the available options of how the Committee may choose to manage the funding. The first option presented was to offer schools to reapply for the funds with new projects, the second option is to utilize the funds to pay for presenters at future PIC meetings for the whole school board and the third option is to return the funds to the Ministry of Education.

The Committee voted by majority to utilize the funds to organize new presentations through the virtual meeting format. Parents are encouraged to email the Director or her Assistant with any suggested topics for future presentations.

6.0 Other

Nil.

7.0 Suggestions: Future Agenda Items

There were no suggested agenda items. The Committee was reminded that agenda topics can be submitted to the Director or her Assistant via email at any time.

8.0 Next Meeting Dates

The next virtual PIC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. and the final meeting of this school year is scheduled for Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

9.0 Adjournment

**Mover:** Natalie Cormier

**Second:** Paula Schwantz.

That, the Parent Involvement Committee meeting on January 19, 2021, adjourn at 7:34 p.m.

Carried