



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".

Videoconference Site Locations

Superior-Greenstone District School Board..... (SGDSB)..... 12 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, ON
 Manitouwadge High School(MNHS)..... 200 Manitou Road W., Manitouwadge, ON
 Lake Superior High School (LSHS)..... Hudson Drive, Terrace Bay, ON
 Superior-Greenstone DSB Learning Centre..... (SGDSBLC) 46 Salls Street, Red Rock, ON
 Geraldton Composite High School..... (GCHS)..... 500 Second Street West, Geraldton, ON

Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 — 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Review – Topics for Discussion

On-Site at SGDSB Learning Centre Meeting Room

Electronic Access via Videoconference and/or Teleconference

Dial-in: 1-807-701-5980 Conference ID: 428048098 Conference Password: 428048098

Chair: Pam Fox

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 – <i>Natalie Cormier, School Cncl</i>					x	GCHS – <i>Matthew Donovan, School Cncl</i>				x
BEPS – <i>Nikki Goodman, School Cncl & PIC</i>					x	GCHS – <i>Johanna Liscomb, School Cncl</i>		x		
DOPS – <i>Judy Thompson, School Cncl & PIC</i>					x	LSHS – <i>Kim Figliomeni, School Cncl & PIC</i>				x
GOPS – <i>Kelly Mangoff, School Cncl & PIC</i>					x	LSHS – <i>Karen Figliomeni, School Cncl & PIC</i>				x
MNPS – <i>Tanya Gagnon, School Council & PIC</i>						MNHS – <i>Tammy Rathwell...School Cncl & PIC</i>			x	
MNPS – <i>Amanda Warford, School Council & PIC</i>			x			MNHS – <i>Shelley Hogan...School Cncl & PIC</i>				x
MNPS – <i>Gina Wheadon, School Council & PIC</i>					x	MRHS – <i>Paula Schwantz, School Cncl</i>			x	
MTPS – <i>Pam Fox, School Cncl & PIC</i>			x			NRHS – <i>,School Cncl & PIC</i>				
MTPS – <i>Nicole L'Esperance, School Cncl & PIC</i>					x					
MMPS – <i>, School Cncl & PIC</i>						Trustees/Administration	O S	T C	V C	A R
NAPS – <i>Sam Poulin-Cloutier, School Cncl</i>					x	Allison Pelletier		x		
SCPS – <i>Jaime Cembrario, School Cncl</i>					x	Christine Major (alt.)				x
TBPS – <i>Melissa Lanovaz, School Cncl & PIC</i>					x	Jason Nesbitt (alt.)				x
						Pinky McRae (Ex-Officio)				x
Principals						Nicole Morden Cormier, Director of Education			x	
Stephen Wilson, MRHS			x			Will Goodman, Superintendent of Education				x
Tara Balog, MNPS			x			GerriLynn Christianson (Recorder)			x	
Jen Rissannen, NRHS			x			Deana Renaud, Mental Health Manager	x			
Cameron Craig, MTPS			x			Hillary Freeburn, Early Years Lead	x			
						Nancy O'Donnell		x		

2.0 Welcome

The Director of Education Nicole Morden Cormier welcomed the members in attendance and introduced the presenters and principals in attendance at the meeting. After conducting the roll call, it was determined that quorum was not established. The group conducted an agenda review for the benefit of the members in attendance.

3.0 Review and Approval of Minutes: November 26, 2019

The meeting minutes of the November 26, 2019 meeting could not be approved as meeting quorum could not be established. Therefore, the minutes will be brought forward for approval at the next meeting.

4.0 Presentations

4.1 Self-Regulation – Red Brain, Blue Brain, Brown Brain

Early Years System Principal, Hillary Freeburn provided an insightful presentation about hidden stress and how to identify and resolve these issues. The presentation discussed ways of helping to pinpoint stress so that you can determine the cause of the stress and how to resolve it.

4.2 Emotional Intelligence Building Mental Health in Schools

Mental Health Manager, Deana Renaud provided a presentation on Emotional Intelligence Building. She highlighted the many ways that uncontrolled stress can lead to many physical issues as well as mental health issues. She discussed the importance of healthy relationships through friendships and family.

The Director advised the Parent Councils that they may invite the presenters to attend their School Council meetings to provide presentations on the topics covered during the PIC meetings or any other topics of interest.

4.3 Truth and Reconciliation in SGDSB

Nancy O'Donnell Indigenous Education Lead presented information regarding Truth and Reconciliation, including the history of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada. She encouraged parents to review the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action document available through the links provided in the presentation material.

She outlined the many ways that SGDSB is honouring the call to action that are outlined in the document such as the work schools have done to make age appropriate curriculum to teach children about treaties. A review was provided of the Educator Supports that have been provided for Truth and Reconciliation to assist staff in the delivery of this learning to their students.

Several sessions have taken place with students this year to learn about local history, including goose hunt practices, smudging, traditional medicines and inviting Indigenous knowledge keepers in to the schools and classrooms.

5.0 Director of Education

5.1 Director's Report

The Director of Education reviewed the provided report and highlighted the current job action between the unions and the Ministry of Education. The review discussed the complexities involved with the various job sanctions and the continued focus on student safety.

The Director noted an error in the report provided and advised that it should be revised to read as Video Conferencing and not E-Learning. The document should be edited before sharing with School Councils.

5.2 System Art Calendar – School Council Feedback Reminder (March Meeting)

Reminder that we will be discussing the Art Calendar at the March PIC meeting as the committee will be asked to decide if a calendar is created for the 2020-2021 school year.

5.3 School Year Calendar Feedback Reminder

Feedback is due by January 27th for the School Year Calendar. Available to view on our website.

6.0 Other

6.1 Mental Health Workers in Secondary Schools: Update

D. Renaud provided information regarding the provinces commitment to mental health services in schools. The investment includes 182 mental health workers for Secondary schools in Ontario. With the funding received by SGDSB, 1 Mental Health worker at the Lake Superior High School and 1 Mental Health worker at the Marathon High School. Job postings will be circulated in the coming weeks and these workers will provide students with direct service in the form of structured therapy. The work will focus on connecting families and students to the available services and work to ensure improved coordination of care.

7.0 PIC Representative Parents' Reaching Out Grant Updates

7.1 Parents' Reaching Out Grant Project Updates

7.1.1 Manitouwadge High School – Caring for Mother Earth Education Sessions
In the process of getting some speakers.

7.1.2 Manitouwadge Public School – EDSBY Training and Cyber-Bullying
Update not available at this time.

7.1.3 Marathon High School – Parent Engagement Through the Arts
Update not available at this time.

8.0 Suggestions: Future Agenda Items

No future agenda items at this time.

9.0 Next Meeting Dates

The next meeting date is March 24, 2020.

10.0 Adjournment

The Parent Involvement Committee Agenda Review, on January 21, 2020, adjourned at 7:40 p.m.