

PIAC Working Group REPORT

Working Group	School Council Support WG
Date	April 5, 2023
Description/Objective	<p>The School Council Support Working Group is a non-governance working group with the purpose of communicating and supporting SCs of schools of the board. The School Council Support Working Group will develop and engage in outreach strategies to support School Councils; work with TDSB staff to promote parent involvement in the Principal/Vice Principal hiring/selection process (previous P/VP WG); and provide recommendations on Parent/Family Engagement in the Virtual School (previous Virtual Engagement WG).</p> <p>The areas of focus include but are not limited to Regulation 612, inactive SCs, effective SCs, and issues surrounding SCs.</p> <p>This working group coordinates with all other PIAC working groups on relevant matters.</p>
Updates	<p>SC Email IT Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SC & CAC accounts are still not operating sufficiently ● more action from PIAC needed <p>Supporting schools with no School Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WG to connect with CSWs (via PCEO) to work together to build councils in Model Schools (and non-Model Schools) ● Encourage PIAC reps to connect with their trustee & use Ward Forums to share PIAC info and support building missing SCs from those identified on the list <p>SC purpose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● February & March PIAC POST articles reinforcing SC's role and SC relationships with principals <p>School Improvement Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● waiting for new parent and principal tools for engagement under development by PCEO <p>School Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● some schools are not operating the required School Committees and/or are not including parents as required/recommended ● Motion regarding School Committees accountability <p>School Council access to funds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● discussion around lack of access to SC funds, School Cash Online reports... ● Motion regarding access to council's money in school's account, School CashOnline, reports
Question(s)	<i>[This section is for less formal questions to pose to the PIAC group.]</i>

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	<p>SC Email IT Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● copious accounts still not working/usable ● many SCs have abandoned their TDSB email accounts ● after more than 10 years of trying, what next?
Next Steps and Action items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2 motions coming forward: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ School Committee operation & SC access to funds ● Active/Inactive SCs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Connect with CSWs re SC building in Model Schools ● Follow-up with PCEO re new SIP tools release date
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