

# PIAC Working Group REPORT

Working Group	School Council Support WG
Date	May 4, 2022
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>
Update	<p>N.B. This month's meeting was devoted to a discussion with Superintendent Virtual School Diana Panagiotopoulos to talk with us about Virtual School.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>See the <a href="#">meeting notes</a> for questions and answers from this session</b></li> <li>2. <b>Deferred items: SC Email IT Support</b> - follow-up with Peter Singh on whether the existing supports now in place will remain for next year</li> <li>3. <b>Active/Inactive SCs</b> - can we reach out to Ps of the no SC schools before school year ends to emphasize preparing for Fall by locating prospective parents</li> <li>4. <b>Interim SIP expectations</b> - follow-up on timelines, especially for parent/caregiver resources referenced in the expectations</li> <li>5. <b>Working Group Goals</b> - deferred</li> <li>6. <b>Library Support</b> - follow-up</li> </ol>
Question(s)	<p><i>[This section is for less formal questions to pose to the PIAC group.]</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">N/A</p>

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Next Steps and Action items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>School Council IT support</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ask Peter Singh: Are the current supports permanent? Will they be in place in September? Plan for September?</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• <b>Active/Inactive SCs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ask Exec SOs/PCEO/SOs to target the Ps of schools without councils and share our Quick Guides with the suggestion that they use the rest of this year to identify potential parents for the Fall</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• <b>Interim SIP expectations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Need Update on status. (parent resources developed?)</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• <b>Virtual School update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Follow up items for SO Diana Panagiotopoulos:</li> <li>○ That Ps be asked to be intentional about reaching out to their VS parents re SC, engagement, included in School Messenger list</li> <li>○ That the VS team be intentional about looking for families facing food insecurity and identify ways to support (ie. notify PIAC so we can promote to SCs)</li> <li>○ If there is a survey, we would like the results shared to SC Support WG. Maybe we can consult on the survey</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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