

# PIAC TRUSTEE UPDATE

October 19, 2021

## BOARD MEETING - SEPTEMBER 22

A summary of all decisions can be found [here](#).

### Office of the Integrity Commissioner: 2020-21 Annual Report

The Board received the [report](#).

### 2022-2023 Budget Schedule

The Board decided that the budget meeting schedule for the development of the 2022-2023 operating and capital budget, as presented in the [report](#), be approved.

Schedule for November/December includes:

- Communication plan to support operating budget
- 2021 School Budget & School Generated Funds Report
- Discussion of public consultation plan and timelines

### Implementation of a Mandatory Vaccination Procedure

The Board received the [report](#).

## BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Board will be having its annual organization meeting on Monday, November 14.

At this meeting the board will elect a Chair and Vice Chair for the 2021-2022 term and will also appoint/elect members to Board Committees, Ontario Public School Board Association (OPSBA), PIAC, CACs, and any other organizations external to the Board which have TDSB Trustee representatives.

Trustees will also finalize and vote on the Board schedule for the 2021- 2022 term.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### GOVERNANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE - SEPTEMBER 29

[Agenda](#)

This meeting included discussion on the following items:

[Development of a New Policy, Communications Policy: Phase 2](#)  
[Bylaws Review Ad Hoc Committee, Report No. 05, June 10, 2021](#)  
[Specialized Schools and Programs Policy Development: Status Update](#)

The Specialized Schools and Programs Policy Report included the following Action plan & Timelines:

- A renewed 45-day consultation will be initiated, and a final public consultation is being scheduled in late November, 2021.
- Feedback from the September 23 Community Advisory Committee Representatives' meeting will be used to structure and shape the consultation process in November; our shared goal is to ensure that meaningful feedback is gathered to inform our work.
- Information about the November consultation will be shared in a number of ways: the TDSB website, email invitations to Community Advisory Committees, Student Senate, unions and professional associations/federations, emails to parents, social media communications, and newsletters from the Board, schools and Trustees.
- Feedback from the November public consultation will be considered and a revised draft Policy will then be presented to the Governance and Policy Committee and subsequently to the Board in the 2022 winter cycle.

An updated policy review schedule and an update on the Specialized Programs Policy Review consultation should be presented at the October 27 GPC meeting.

### **FINANCE, BUDGET, & ENROLMENT COMMITTEE - SEPTEMBER 29**

#### [Agenda](#)

This meeting included a [presentation](#) and [report](#) on the 2021-22 Enrolment, Class Size and Staffing which included information on:

- 2021-2022 enrolment numbers
- Class sizes/realignment
- Intensive Support Program (ISP) Simultaneous Learning data
- Support for Student Learning
- Action Plan and Associated Timeline
- Resource Implications
- Projected Financial Impact

### **PROGRAM & SCHOOL SERVICES COMMITTEE – OCTOBER 6**

#### [Agenda](#)

This meeting included the monthly CAC reports and the following:

- [2021 Summer Program Report](#)
- [Caring and Safe Schools: Annual Report 2019-2020](#)  
Includes data on streaming, suspensions and expulsions
- [2021-22 Program Priorities Funding: Parent Reaching Out Grant Allocation Update](#)

## **FINANCE, BUDGET, & ENROLMENT COMMITTEE – OCTOBER 13**

### [Agenda](#)

This meeting included an update on the [Honoraria for Trustees](#) and a [2021-2022 Enrolment and Staffing Update](#) which included information on:

- Enrolment
- Class Size
- Reorganization
- Secondary School Models of Instruction
- Financial Update
- Implementation Timelines

## **PLANNING & PRIORITIES COMMITTEE – OCTOBER 14**

### [Agenda](#)

This meeting included the following reports:

- [Implementation of a Mandatory Vaccination Procedure Update](#)  
Deadline for all staff to have completed the full course of vaccination is November 1, 2021.
- [Annual Report 2021: Climate Action](#)  
Recommendation:
  - (a) Net Zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 2050 be established as an aspirational goal for the TDSB;
  - (b) The Director:
    - i. Report annually on building-related emissions, vehicle fleet emissions and the revenue and projected expenditures of the Environmental Legacy Fund, as part of the annual Climate Action report;
    - ii. support on climate action; and
    - iii. Reinvest utility incentives to fund GHG reduction initiatives.

## **OTHER UPDATES**

### **Local Government Week 2021**

From October 18-22, the Toronto District School Board, along with our partners at the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA), will be celebrating Local Government Week.

School board trustees are the oldest form of elected representatives in Ontario. Since 1807, generations of community-minded citizens have made decisions on behalf of local, publicly-funded schools, building the foundation of our system today.

Trustees are elected by the public during municipal elections. As a Board, they work together to advocate for public education and the achievement and well-being of students and their families.

The TDSB has 22 Trustees, the largest representation in Canada, who represent the unique needs, priorities and educational requirements of their communities.

Trustees meet as a Board at least once a month during the school year, which is live-broadcasted, and attend regular standing committee meetings, to discuss and make decisions about the important work at the TDSB.

Trustees set the Board's vision, establish policies, allocate resources and set goals that lay the foundation for driving programs and operations. They also recruit and monitor the performance of the Director of Education.

What we do locally matters - we work to positively impact students and community. I was proud to be part of the following story that appeared in the Toronto Star (December 2014) that demonstrated the role of a school board trustee: [Secret life of a trustee: Behind the scenes, school board reps are busy putting out fires](#). No two days are quite the same.

The Board also includes three Student Trustees. Each year, two Student Trustees are elected along with the TDSB Student Senate Executive and an Indigenous Student Trustee is appointed by the Toronto Indigenous Youth Council. Student Trustees attend Board meetings and represent the voice of all students at the TDSB.

To learn more about trustees and board meetings at the TDSB, please visit [www.tdsb.on.ca/Boardroom](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Boardroom) and for more information and resources about Local Government Week, please visit OPSBA's webpage for [School Board Governance](#). Follow [#LocalGovWeek](#) on Twitter to see how the TDSB and other organizations are celebrating Local Government Week.

The next municipal election will be held on October 24, 2022.

## **Voluntary Student Vaccination Disclosure**

To more effectively manage possible COVID-19 cases and outbreaks in schools, Toronto Public Health is now requesting that Toronto school boards begin collecting the voluntary disclosure of vaccination status by students born in 2009 and earlier -. This is intended to minimize disruption to the students and support a more efficient dismissal process. Please note you can choose to disclose or not disclose – it is entirely voluntary. Those who do not disclose their vaccination status will be considered unvaccinated for the purposes of the dismissal process. [Learn how to update your vaccination status](#) on the TDSB Health Screening App or on the online web portal.