# Name of Committee: Inner City Community Advisory Committee (ICCAC)

**Meeting Date**: **16 June 2022**

Notes

## Attendance: via Zoom:

Trustee Michelle Aarts, Co-Chair; Rachel Chernos Lin, Trustee Ward 11; Trixie Doyle, Trustee Ward 14; Laurie Green, St. Michael’s Hospital; Josette Holness, City of Toronto; Ayan Kailie, Parent; Munira Khilji, The Neighbourhood Organization; Dan MacLean, Trustee Ward 2; Cherie Mordecai Steer, Parent; Ingrid Palmer, Parent; Emmy Pantin, Parent Co-chair; Robert Spencer, Parent; Crystal Stewart, Parent; Fiona Yang, Catholic Crosscultural Services

Also present were: Michelle Munroe, Central Coordinator, Parent and Community Engagement; Karen Murray, System Superintendent, Equity, Anti-Racism, Anti-Oppression and Early Years; Sandy Spyropoulos, Executive Superintendent LC4

The following participated by electronic means: Trustee Michelle Aarts, Co-Chair; Rachel Chernos Lin, Trustee Ward 11; Trixie Doyle, Trustee Ward 14; Laurie Green, St. Michael’s Hospital; Josette Holness, City of Toronto; Ayan Kailie, Parent; Munira Khilji, The Neighbourhood Organization; Dan MacLean, Trustee Ward 2; Cherie Mordecai Steer, Parent; Ingrid Palmer, Parent; Emmy Pantin, Parent Co-chair; Robert Spencer, Parent; Crystal Stewart, Parent; Fiona Yang, Catholic Crosscultural Services; Michelle Munroe, Central Coordinator, Parent and Community Engagement; Karen Murray, System Superintendent, Equity, Anti-Racism, Anti-Oppression and Early Years; Sandy Spyropoulos, Executive Superintendent LC4

## Regrets:

Diane Banks, Toronto Public Library; Anna Kay Brown, Jane Finch Education Action Group; Omar Khan, Parent; michael kerr, Colour of Poverty, Colour of Change; Sejal Patel, Toronto Metropolitan University.

| **ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **RECOMMENDATION/ MOTION** |
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| Call to Order / Quorum | Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. |  |
| Welcome and Introductions of new and returning members. Setting meeting norms | Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and introductions were made. |  |
| Approval of Agenda | The agenda was approved. |  |
| Declarations of Possible Conflicts of Interest | No conflicts of interest were declared. |  |
| Review and Approval of the Notes – May 19, 2022 | The notes from May 19, 2002 were approved. |  |
| Co-Chairs’ Report | Trustee Aarts mentioned to the Committee that a document with a list of free/low cost summer program offerings across of the City of Toronto was circulated ahead of the meeting.    She also mentioned to the Committee that the Finance, [Budget and Enrollment Committee (FBEC) would be meeting on Monday, June 20](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/Players/ISIStandAlonePlayer.aspx?Id=c0bb76fe-01a7-4eed-947c-1a680ee3ed0d) to review the three year budget recovery plan. This plan would include recommendations to increase the staffing allocation of Community Support Workers across the district. This recommendation is based on feedback received and to meet the needs of priorities in the system. The plan would include recommendations to not fill other positions through attrition and to include increasing revenue from International Student Admissions.  Trustee Aarts also informed the members that the [Program and School Services Committee (PSSC) on Wednesday, June 15](https://pub-tdsb.escribemeetings.com/Players/ISIStandAlonePlayer.aspx?Id=05a5e24c-04e9-484a-afa2-0dc62521df5e) received reports on Early Literacy; Global Competencies; and French Enrollment.  Trustee Aarts highlighted the [Grand Opening of the Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement that took place on Monday, June 13, 2022.](https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Media/News/ArtMID/2750/ArticleID/1823) The first of its kind in K-12 public education in Canada.  Emmy Pantin informed the members that she has been made aware of the negative impact lockdown drills are having on the newcomer and refugee children in our schools. Better communication for families and children to explain what the intention and need for lockdown drills was requested. |  |
| MSIC Update | Karen Murray, System Superintendent, Equity, Anti-Racism, Anti-Oppression and Early Years provided the MSIC update. She informed the members of the many programs being offered, such as the McMichael’s Voices Arts Program which has over 80 students participating from various MSIC schools; Summer School opportunities for students, in 22 MSIC sites across the district, that will be providing literacy, numeracy and arts instruction; and the Africentric Pre-Kindergarten programs offered in 12 sites across the district. The pre-Kindergarten program provides over 400 students resources that they can take home to continue their learning. This resource includes a backpack full of culturally relevant reading material, skin tone paper and crayons, math manipulatives and Oware games. |  |
| Presentation:  Black Student Achievement Data | Alexis Dawson, Community Co-Chair, Black Student Achievement Community Advisory Committee, presented data that she has collected on Black student achievement, anti-Black racism and the intersectionality of race, poverty and COVID, as well as information on what the TDSB has been doing to support students and to combat racism.  PowerPoint that was presented at the meeting will be shared when available. |  |
| Business Arising from May 19 meeting  Motions/Recommendations | Trustee Aarts informed the members that the LOI Policy Review recommendation was approved and a review of the LOI Policy will begin before the end of December 2022 and the LOI Calculation Motion has been referred back to staff. |  |
| CSW Update | Deferred to September 22, 2022 meeting |  |
| Working Group Updates  Membership  LOI  Child Care | * Trustee Aarts provided an update from the Membership Working Group: There is one vacancy for an Organizational Member and one vacancy for a Community/Parent member. * LOI Working Group update was deferred to September 22, 2022 meeting * Trustee Aarts and Robert Spencer provided an update from Child Care Working Group: The Working Group members are consulting with the Early Years Community Advisory Committee on a recommendation related to access to Child Care in the TDSB. |  |
| Other Business | There was no other business discussed. |  |
| Next Meeting | Thursday, September 22, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. |  |
| **Adjournment** | At 10:55 a.m. it was moved to extend the meeting to 11:15 a.m.  Thursday, June 16 at 11:15 a.m. |  |