



Algonia District School Board Parent Involvement Committee

Meeting of October 16, 2023 (Microsoft Teams/In-Person)

ATTENDANCE	
Present:	Lucia Reece, Shelley Yokota, Rose Linklater, Carrie Vaz, Natalie Belleau, Riki Olszewski, Riley Bertin, Ellie McGoldrick, Amber Brown, Marie Murphy-Foran, Ashley Champagne, Natalie Kaldman, Kerry Wootton, Shirley Yun, Sarah MacMichael, Rachel Tadashore, Jen DaCosta, Andrea Zavitz, Kerith Slagel, Vitra Bishop
Regrets:	
WELCOME/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	
Call to Order /Welcome	Welcome and review of PIC mandate
Review of Agenda	Moved by: Seconded by:
CHAIR REPORT:	ACTIONS/DECISIONS/FOLLOW-UP
1. Rose Linklater	- Welcome - Role/Mandate of PIC
SENIOR MANAGEMENT REPORTS:	
1. Director Lucia Reece	- New mental health modules in gr 7&8 - Money available for school councils to engage families - Spring conference each year - Address concerns as they arise – eg. Last year vaping - Provincial level with trustees – what they do: - Ensure needs are brought forward at provincial level - Chair for curriculum – team looked at what was included - Food security for many communities and children - Better schools legislation – achievement, well-being and advancement for students - Capital projects and facilities - Sharing with other boards – Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) hosted a Northern Regional Conference Ontario in SSM this weekend; ADSB highlighted our Tech Trailer; also, Indigenous Student Trustees from across the province met with each other for the first time and collaborated and enjoyed activities with Turtle Concepts at this conference
2. Trustee Marie Murphy-Foran	

OLD BUSINESS	
Oct. 23 rd – Virtual PIC Event	Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe
	• Chosen last spring through asking parents what needs were • Was a presenter to Ps and VPs in August • Resiliency topic – flyer and link to be released tomorrow • Share link widely, will also be on Edsby • Consider a group hosting in the school – also a good chance to network with parents
NEW BUSINESS	
PIC Positions: Chair, Secretary	• Chairs – Rose Linklater; happy to have Co-Chairs, too, so if interested, please advise • Secretary – Shelley Yokota
Meeting Dates for 2023-2024 and Spring Workshop	Next meeting: Monday, November 20 6:30-7:30pm Looking ahead: February 5, 2024 April 8, 2024 (to plan spring workshop) May 13 2024
ROUND TABLE	
	• How we can find out what parents need – how to deliver messages • Request for information about new Literacy in the board – program, teacher training, data tracking for students, etc (UFLI), math • Spec Ed – what does ADSB offer for students with special needs – no central spot for information, how to navigate • Board wide presentations and school setting for school specific EQAO results, community partner presentations (APH) • What are ideas for spring workshop from schools? How can we help engage parents in the achievement and well-being of their children in our schools? • School Council/PIC binder update and distribution to all schools – increased awareness needed in some school communities • Continued conversations about academic opportunities for 7s & 8s across the board
ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING	
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