

Parent Involvement Committee Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2018

Meeting was called to order at approximately 5:45 pm by Chair Robin Hutcheon

- 1. Approval of Agenda approved
- 2. Approval of Minutes approved in principal as no copy was available to share at the time
- 3. Associate Superintendent of Safe & Caring Schools Update (Mr. Scot Gillam)
 - a) Experiential Learning Update Itinerant teacher, Mr. Quenneville & Consultant Mr. Petznik
 - b) Parent Symposium Update Saturday April 14, 2018 at Bayridge Secondary School. Keynotes include Lynn Lyons and Michael Ballard. Break out sessions, lunch, and Community Carousel.
 - c) Focus on the Fronts showcase of Focus Programs Feb. 16, 2018 at Kingston Frontenacs' hockey game at KRock Centre
 - d) Black History Month
 - e) School Year Calendar process similar calendar to this year. Approval by Trustees in April 2018
 - f) Health Unit Update
 - Bayridge Parent Speaker Series on Cannabis will be held March 5, 2018 at Bayridge Secondary School. Everyone is welcome. More information can be found on the attached flyer.
 - KLF&A Public Health is running a three-month social media campaign called "Sit Less. Stand up for Better Health." This is targeted at parents and caregivers of children ages 1-4 to increase their knowledge of the effects of sedentary behaviour and to offer strategies to help decrease sitting time of children.
 - Watch for information about the second round of funding for schools/school councils
 events that support HKCC Theme 4, Power Off and Play! Schools will be notified by the
 end of March if they are eligible to receive funds. The money can go towards any
 supports for school resources or activities, that help to promote the theme between
 April 1, 2018 and September 30, 2018.
 - Naloxone training continues with secondary school staff by Public Health Nurses.
- 4. Motion re: Family Lending Library PIC agreed in principal, to support the return of the Lending Library to local libraries. Associate Superintendent Gillam will work with KFL&A Public Health to begin this process.

- 5. Loving Spoonful Presentation Kyla and Sarah from Loving Spoonful shared their presentation and provided information for PIC members. Interested schools can connect with them directly or through Associate Superintendent Gillam.
- 6. Paul Babin (or designate) presentation re: Community Use of Schools Planning Officer Charlyn Downie and Manager of Facilities Dave Fowler presented on Community Use of Schools. See attached PowerPoint.
- 7. GST/HST rebate presentation
 - Christine Innocent from Sir John A Macdonald Public School School Council provided a presentation on GST/HST rebates. A discussion ensued on next steps for communicating this to other Councils, and a response from the Board.
 - Ms. Innocent will be meeting with Paul Babin on March 2nd. Further clarification and information will be shared after this meeting. Follow up can occur at the May 10th PIC meeting. Information from that presentation will be presented following the March 2nd meeting.
- 8. Discussion groups PIC delegates then met in a variety of table groups see topics below
 - Inclement weather communication
 - Bring IT policy
 - School Closures
 - Indigenous Acknowledgment of Territory