Greater Essex County Parent Involvement Committee

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 - 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
451 Park Street West, Windsor, ON. N9A 6K1
Kingsville Room

Minutes

Welcome – Mahbooba Quraisha (Acting Chair)

Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are on land and surrounded by water, originally inhabited by Indigenous Peoples who have travelled this area since time immemorial.

This territory is within the lands honoured by the Wampum Treaties; agreements between the Anishinaabe (Ah-nish-e-naa-bay), Haudenosaunee (Hoe-den-oh-show-nee), Lenni (Len-eh) Lenape (Le-naw-pay) and allied Nations to peacefully share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

Specifically, we would like to acknowledge the presence of the Three Fires Confederacy (Ojibwey (Oh-jib-way), Odawa (Oh-dah-wah), Potawatomi (Paw-taw-watt-oh-me) and Huron/Wendat (Wen-dat) Peoples.

We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture while remaining committed to moving forward respectfully with all First Nations, Inuit and Métis.

7:00PM – Welcome

GECPIC Business:

i. **Climate Action Plan – S. Armstrong (30 mins.) Power Point Presentation**
   - *Presentation attached*
   - *There was a request for feedback on the draft mission statement SO Hillman sent an email to GECPIC and School Council on March 22, 2023.*

ii. **Board Ad Hoc Committee Member Needed – Review of Police Programs in Schools**
   - *Superintendent Hillman provided Board Motion and asked for representatives from GECPIC.*
   - *Names could be shared now or through email. Chair to organize a vote.*
   - *A survey was sent out on March 22, 2023, four names were brought forward and Clarese Carter was selected as the GECPIC Representative.*

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iii. **2023-24 Budget Survey: https://forms.office.com/r/SBaZS6Eb6W.**
The survey closes on March 31st.
Link will be emailed to committee

iv. **PIC/School Council Policy & Regulation Review**
- *SO Hillman indicated that a committee of the Chair/Vice Chair, and a principal representative would meet to review and update GECPIC and School Council policies. Updates will be provided at the next meeting.*

v. **PRO Grant Summary**
- *The information will be available for the April 25, 2023 meeting*

vi. **Networking Sub-Committee Update**
- *S Slipiec will be sending out a poll for those who have indicated that they are interested to identify a day and time to meet*
- *The goal will be to plan an event for some time in May for all School Council Chairs.*
- *Confirm if anyone beyond this list is interested*
  Dana O'Neil
  Lisa Wright
  Krista Regehr

vii. **Meeting Cadence Review**
Members have approached Chair asking why meetings are from 7pm-9pm Chair open to an adjustment for the remainder of the meetings if the majority would like to do so.
- *A survey was taken of the members present at the meeting. The meeting time was changed to 6:00PM-8:00PM for the meeting on April 25, 2023. Vote was unanimous.*

viii. Meeting time discussion

Dismissal

Next GECPIC Meeting is April 25, 2023 6:00PM-8:00PM – Board Committee Room

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Name	February 28
Abbas Divan Mohaideen	Absent
Baturh Krkwan	Regret
Christina Sayer	Present
Dana O'Neil	Present
Dimitrios Michos	Regret
Keisha Nolan	Regret
*Krista Regehr	Regret
Lisa Renaud	Regret
Lisa Wright	Regret
Mahbooba Quraishi	Present
Nabhdeep Dhillon	Absent
*Robert Ross	Present
Stephanie Slipiec	Regret
***Members at Large**	
Simran Kaur Cheesma	
Erin Kelly	Regret
Jeff Hillman	Present
Laura Bates	Present
Najet Jones	Present
Alicia Higgison/Linda Qin	Present
Community Partners	
Maia Williamson United Way	Present
Rima Nohra	Regret
Clarese Carter	Present
Louise Cervini	Absent
Guests	
Shelley Armstrong	Present
Rachel Bondy	Present
Madeline McEachern	Regret
Beth Silverio	Present

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