Greater Essex County Parent Involvement Committee

Tuesday, January 27, 2026 - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.(Hybrid)
451 Park Street West, Windsor, ON. N9A 6K1
Board Committee Room

Minutes

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Ashley Kirby
Bridget Fauteux
Christine Sayer
Daniela Masotti
Entela Bilali
Fahema Siki
Hanan Othman
Jennifer Diemer
Nisha Withane
Padu Surtani
Pragya Chhetri
Yetunda Osanyin

BOARD PERSONNEL IN ATTENDANCE

Julia Burgess (Trustee)
Vicki Houston (Director of Education)
Raquel Roberts (Superintendent of Education)
Laura Bates (Elementary Principal)
Najet Jones (Secondary Principal)
Chris Mills (Superintendent of Education)
Joe Bell (Superintendent of Education)
Michael Castellano (Superintendent of Education)
Jon Pillon (Student Success)

REGRETS

RECORDER

Beth Silverio

1. **CALL TO ORDER** 6:08PM

2. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

   That GECPIC approve the agenda for January 27, 2026

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

   That GECPIC approve the minutes November 25, 2025

5. **PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS**

PALS Presentation – Superintendent J. Bell – Presentation will be shared online.

SHSM Presentation – Superintendent M. Castellano – Presentation will be shared online.

Barrier Grants Presentation – Superintendent C. Mills – Presentation will be shared online. Special Education was successful in obtaining eight grants totalling $811,000.00

JK Registration – Kindergarten Open House takes place on February 19, 2026.

Exams and Second Semester – Secondary exams are taking place through January 29, 2026.

TEAC – University of Windsor – selection of one parent member to represent GECPIC. Two parent members will attend one meeting each if there are two. Entela Bilali and Padu Surtani volunteered to be on the committee.

Election for vacancy in Vice Chairperson position – voting will take place to fill the vacancy per GECPIC By-Laws

B Fauteaux nominated D. Masotti

Superintendent Roberts noted that there being no further nominations D. Masotti was acclaimed as Vice Chairperson of GECPIC.

6. **ADJOURNMENT:** 7:55PM

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, February 24, 2026

Board Meeting Schedule:
February 17, 2026 – F. Sikl
March 24, 2026 – N. Withane, T. Barnett
April 21, 2026 – B. Fauteux, J. Diemer
May, 19, 2026 – H. Othman,
June 16, 2026 – B. Fauteux, P. Chhetri

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Raquel Roberts, GECPIC Liaison