

**Meeting of the Parent Involvement Committee**  
**Live Stream - Parent Involvement Committee Meeting**  
**DATE: February 5, 2026 - 7:00 – 8:30 pm**  
**Google Meet joining info**  
**Video call link: Join with Google Meet**

[2025/26 HDSB PIC Board Committee Members](#)

**2025-2026 Members:**

**Oakville Area**

Sandeep Achar (West Oak PS)

Zena Al-Mudaris (White Oaks SS)

Seden Yesildag (Garth Webb SS)

**Burlington Area**

Laura Tripp (Dr. Charles Best PS,  
Sir Ernest MacMillan PS)

Tara Cochrane (Alton Village, Dr.  
Frank J Hayden SS)

Tracy Peeters (Aldershot HS)

**Milton Area**

Jennifer Sibbitt (Brookville PS, Martin  
Street PS, Milton District HS)

Reza Ali Chaudhry (Bruce Trail PS)

Kerry-Ann Foster (Anne J. MacArthur  
PS, Elsie MacGill SS)

**Halton Hills Area**

Shari White (Acton District  
School)

Susan Doyle Sazar (George  
Kennedy PS)

Andrei Denisov (Park PS)

**Community Member:**

Rabia Alavi (HMC Connections)

**Trustee:**

Tanya Rocha

**Board Liaison and Resource Personnel:**

Tara Connor (Superintendent of Education); Luisa Botelho (Garth Webb SS Principal); Ashley De Ridder (Sir Ernest Macmillan PS Principal); Kerri Lee (Executive Assistant, School Operations); Kevin Raposo (Senior Communications Officer)

**Regrets:** Tara Cochrane, Ashley De Ridder, Kerry-Ann Foster

**Absent:** Sandeep Achar, Susan Doyle Sazar, Andrei Denisov, Rabia Alavi

| TIME   | ITEM                   | DISCUSSION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | ACTION ITEMS | Facilitator                                               |
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| 7:00pm | Welcome                | Honouring the Land and Territories Land Acknowledgement<br>Overview of the agenda for the evening                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |              | Co-Chair Laura Tripp & Ali Chaudhry                       |
| 7:10pm | Passing of the Minutes | Nov 6, 2025 meeting: PIC Minutes - <a href="#">Nov 6, 2025</a><br>Motion by: Jennifer Sibbitt<br>Seconded by: Shari White                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |              | Co-Chair                                                  |
| 7:15pm | PIC Committee Updates  | PIC Conference Debrief <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Great day of learning with over 500 parents/guardians registered</li> <li>- Addition of a 'Lunch &amp; Learn' style of workshop for school council chairs and school PIC reps</li> <li>- Need to look at waste reduction, a wider range of workshops, perhaps longer sessions</li> <li>- Thank you to all volunteers who made it happen and all who came out to participate</li> </ul> |              | PIC Conference Co-Chairs Laura Tripp and Jennifer Sibbitt |
|        | PIC Committee Updates  | Planning for the 2026/27 PIC Conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Plan for October 2026 at Elsie MacGill SS in Milton</li> <li>- Seeking volunteers for the 2026 conference committee</li> <li>- Great way to get to know other parents and get involved in the HDSB community</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                               |              | Co-Chair Ali Chaudhry                                     |
|        | PIC Committee Updates  | PIC Committee Terms of Reference Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Time for a refresh, clarifications</li> <li>- PIC is set by Ministry of Education</li> <li>- Looking at PIC composition</li> <li>- Appointment of Parent/Community Members</li> <li>- Term of appointees, no maximum to the number of</li> </ul>                                                                                                                      |              | Co-Chair Laura Tripp and Ali Chaudhry                     |

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|  |                       | <p>terms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There is a high level of interest, how do we include more people?</li> </ul> <p>Mandatory to have 4 meetings in school year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Should we consider hybrid meetings?</li> </ul> <p>Homework: please review Terms of Reference and form a small working group to review these items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- would be a public meeting open to all who are interested</li> <li>-</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |          |
|  | PIC Committee Updates | <p>Connecting with our School Councils PIC Rep Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plans for School Council PIC Rep Meeting - March</li> <li>• Engaging our School PIC Reps through our regional PIC Reps</li> </ul> <p>What can WE do to support our School PIC Reps?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- School PIC Reps need help to explain what the role is, what are the expectations</li> <li>- Regional Reps don't have emails for their group of schools, how can we connect everyone - Kerri has offered to share emails with each other</li> <li>- HDSB website has a School Council Handbook online for reference for the roles and responsibilities (<a href="#">School Councils   Halton District School Board</a>)</li> <li>- Goal for next year, have an earlier meeting for PIC Rep orientation meeting</li> </ul> |  | Co-Chair |

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| 8:15pm | Superintendent Updates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- January: presentation to the board surrounding EQAO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Grade 3, 6, 9 math, 10 english all higher than the provincial average in reading, writing and math</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Sharing the school improvement plans</li> <li>- All schools who have applied for PRO grants were successful</li> <li>- All invited to a documentary on Feb 26th called Black Life: Untold Stories at Rattlesnake Point Public School from 4:30 to 8pm - please register</li> </ul>                                                                         |  | Superintendent Connor |
| 8:20pm |                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Welcome to Trustee Rocha to the committee. Trustees rotate around the different committees.</li> <li>- Trustees are in their last terms, elections will be in October</li> <li>- Reach out to your local trustee regarding what they do</li> <li>- Welcome to attend the next board meeting on March 2nd, or watch online</li> <li>- Currently working on boundary reviews (ex: Oakville - new high school scheduled to open Sep 2027)</li> <li>- Financial advocacy committee in the works on how to better fund our students, will have an update in future meetings</li> </ul> |  | Trustee Rocha         |
| 8:25pm | Closing Remarks        | Closing Remarks & Adjournment<br>Next meeting = April 9, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  | Co-Chair              |