

Meeting of the Parent Involvement Committee held

Live Stream - Parent Involvement Committee Meeting

DATE: February 6, 2025 - 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: Join with Google Meet

[2024/25 HDSB PIC Board Committee Members](#)

Members:

Oakville Area

Saud Juman (EJ James PS and
Maple Grove PS, OTHS)

Zena Al-Mudaris (White Oaks SS)

Seden Yesildag (Garth Webb SS)

Burlington Area

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

Reem Tantawi (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, Milton District HS)

Susan Doyle Sazar (George
Kennedy PS)

Andrei Denisov (Park PS)

Community Member:

Rita Ziza (HMC Connections)

Trustee:

Xin Yi Zhang

Board Liaison and Resource Personnel:

Tara Connor (Superintendent of Education); Luisa Botelho (Garth Webb SS Principal); Ashley De Ridder (Sir Ernest Macmillan PS Principal)

Regrets: Reza Ali Chaudhry, Reem Tantawi

Absent: Andrei Denisov

TIME	ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEMS	Facilitator
7:00pm	Welcome	Honouring the Land and Territories Land Acknowledgement Overview of the agenda for the evening		Co-Chair Saud Juman
7:05pm	Board Budget Presentation	Started the budget process early to get as much feedback as possible. Survey is open on the board website until Feb 9th for feedback along with all the information regarding this process and all the key dates. Budget objectives are to align the various plans already in place. Provincial perspective - providing no change in the upcoming election, unlikely to obtain an increase in funding, many funding models have not increased in many years despite changes in population and inflation. Board perspective - population of students are aging up and out which is an enrollment decline and less funding. There is a regulatory requirement to balance the budget in the coming year.		Superintendent Roxana Negoï
7:45pm	Halton Learning Foundation	Halton Learning Foundation helps families eliminate financial barriers. They do this with financial support to students in need (clothing, supplies, food, tech, field trips, transportation, team gear), school grants and scholarships/bursaries (200k\$ in total). April is HLF month. We are asking you to help out by having an event within your school community to help us raise funds. Help us by spreading the word and/or donating to us. Info can be found on their website: www.haltonlearningfoundation.ca		Marc Clare, CEO Halton Learning Foundation
8:00pm	Passing of the Minutes	Motion by Jennifer Sibbitt Seconded by Laura Tripp		

8:02pm	PIC Committee Updates	Coming up on Saturday February 9th at Elsie MacGill SS in Milton. Over 600 people registered for the event Over 20 community tables Over 30 workshops for parents		Laura Tripp, Co-chair PIC Conference
8:05pm	Superintendent Updates	It is important to receive feedback from families in order to guide us forward. Please complete the budget feedback survey. Feedback request sent to School Councils regarding the changes in dress code policy. Looking for feedback by February 14th.		Superintendent Tara Connor
8:10pm	Trustee Updates	HDSB held an info evening about the budget in January. A recording of that meeting is available on the HDSB website. 2025-2026 Budget Input Student trustee elections are held every year in February.		Trustee Zhang
8:15pm	Closing Remarks	Closing Remarks & Adjournment		Co-Chair