

2015-2016 Annual Report

School council chairs were invited to attend four District School Council – Parent Involvement Committee (DSC-PIC) meetings in the 2015-2016 school year. Due to inclement weather the DSC-PIC was only able to meet 3 times during the school year.

- October 22, 2015: Director of Education, Larry Hope, reported on the labour situation where principals are taking on an enormous load as labour negotiations continue. He described that the challenges due to labour issues were being managed smoothly with minimal impact on students. The Strategic Action Plan for 2015-2016 was highlighted including initiatives and opportunities to build relationships with parents and community partners. DSC-PIC will be closely involved in upcoming School Accommodation Reviews as the Board continues to deal with declining enrolment as an open and transparent approach is in process. New resources for Health and Physical Education Curriculum were introduced. Parent Engagement projects and programs began the school year off with Kid's Club Videos, a financial literacy event, and Take Me Outside to Learn. \$500 Parent Engagement funds were directed to each school. DSC-PIC discussed ideas for 2015-2016 supporting parent engagement using these funds.
- December 12, 2015: Parent resources for students with special needs were introduced for parents, principals and teachers. A focus for students with special needs including reviewing integration into secondary schools, transition planning, and the importance of supporting parents with resources while advocating for their child. More technology is available to students with special needs supporting skill building, voice to text, and scribing. Negotiations with unions continued in December.
- May 5, 2016: The DSC-PIC was brought up-to-date on the healthy schools audit, security in schools, and labour issues. A 5-year Pupil Accommodation Review road map was shared. A presentation on early years education in TLDSB including an early years strategy, improving learning for students, development of an advisory committee, and professional development for educators and parents. The DSC-PIC provided topics for the development of parent engagement videos and were encouraged to apply to the Ministry of Education for a Parents Reaching Out Grant.

The DSC-PIC continued to provide funding from the Parent Engagement Grant to develop parent engagement videos. Ads were aired on local television and are available on the TLDSB YouTube

channel. Topics include: Assistive Technology, Collaborative and Pro Active Solutions, Dual Credits, AETCs, Pathways to Graduation and Maturity Credits, Supporting Math in the Home, Math in the Kitchen, Google Classrooms, Homework Help, Feeding Your Spirit, FNMI in the Early Years, Feeding Your Body and Mind, Women in Skilled Trades, Pathways to Success, Outdoor Learning, Financial Literacy for HighSchool students

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

SCHOOLS	Summary of Parent Engagement Expenditure
Alexandra Public School	Zoo to You Family Event, Welcome to Kindergarten
Archie Stouffer Elementary School	Feed All Four, Parent Kit for Leader in Me
Bobcaygeon Public School	Fun Fair
Bracebridge Public School	Coffee House, a family & community event
Cardiff Elementary School	Volunteer Tea, Child care for parent's meeting; Aboriginal Arts Fair
Central Senior School	Social Media Awareness and Drug/Alcohol Awareness Program, Career Day, Orientation for Grade 7 parents
Dr. George Hall Public School	Breakfast with Santa, Welcome to Kindergarten
Dunsford Dist. Elementary School	Fun Fair
Fenelon Township Public School	Open House, Graduation
Glen Orchard Public School	Fun Night
Grandview Public School	Christmas Craft Night; Parent Lending Library Resources
Gravenhurst Public School	Dr.Seus Birthday Party
Huntsville Public School	Family Swim Night
Irwin Memorial Public School	School Magnets, Parent Communication Supplies
Jack Callaghan Public School	Skating, Steam Night,
JD Hodgson Elementary School	School Council Mtg support, Math Talks brochure,
King Albert Public School	King's Cafe supplies and equipment

KP Manson Public School	Fun Night: Lost World, Aim Archers In Muskoka; North River Riders
Lady Eaton Elementary School	Math Night
Lady MacKenzie Public School	Parent Council Meeting support, child care, Family Math Night Games
Langton Public School	Kindergarten Packages
Leslie Frost Public School	Annual Spring Fling Social with Zoo to You
Macaulay Public School	Family Literacy Day Challenge, Anxiety Workshop, Summer Reading Challenge
Mariposa Elementary School	Family Magic Night
Monck Public School	Games Night
Muskoka Beechgrove Public School	Grandfriend's Day, child care for parent's meetings
Muskoka Falls Public School	Parent Engagement BBQ with Zoo to You
Parkview Public School	Family Yoga Night, Parent Education with Joe Epele, Arts Night, child care costs for parent meetings
Pine Glen Public School	Family Swim Night; End of Year BBQ
Queen Victoria Public School	Family Photos, BBQ
Ridgewood Public School	Book purchase
Riverside Public School	JK FL Information Night, Welcome to JK Night, Math Madness, Grandparents Day, Kindergarten Christmas Concert, Primary Christmas Concert, Maple Syrup Collection & Bottling, Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
Rolling Hills Public School	Mathletes
Scott Young Public School	Parent Meeting Supports
Spruce Glen Public School	Year-end BBQ & Family Fun Fair
Stuart Baker Elementary School	School Council Mtg support, Parent survey
VK Greer Memorial Public School	Santa's Bazaar, Spring Gala, Parent Feed All 4 Symposium

Watt Public School	Soapbox Derby
Wilberforce Elementary School	Feed All Four Family Fun Day
Woodville Elementary School	Parent BBQ & Arts Festival; Meals
BMLSS	Motivational Speaker, Pathways for Students
Fenelon Falls Secondary School	Ace Your Money, Teacher Night
Gravenhurst High School	Grade 9 Parent Letters, Support to Link Crew
Haliburton Highlands SS	None – no events held
Huntsville High School	Social Media Awareness; Report Card postage
IE Weldon Secondary School	Honours Assembly and Year End Graduation
LCVI	After 8 Handbook-The LCVI Parent Survival Guide

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