

**Parent Involvement Committee Annual General Meeting  
Minutes  
Tuesday, October 21, 2014 at 6 pm  
Sudbury Secondary School Library  
with video link to  
Manitoulin Secondary School**

**Attendance**

**Sudbury site:**

Doreen Dewar, Chair, Rainbow District School Board; Gord Santala, Trustee, Rainbow District School Board; Judy Hunda, Trustee, Rainbow District School Board; Norm Blaseg, Director of Education; Judy Noble, Superintendent of Schools; Lesleigh Dye, Superintendent of Schools; Jennifer Battah, Communications Co-ordinator; Sherry Conroy, Principal, Monetville Public School; Bob Deeth, Principal, Sudbury Secondary School; Lesley Fisher, Principal, Carl A. Nesbitt Public School/Ernie Checkeris Public School; Susan Cousineau, Principal, Redwood Acres Public School; Nicole Czaja, Vice-Principal, Valley View Public School; Chantal Lacroix, Principal, Valley View Public School; Tonya Marcotte, Parent, Lansdowne Public School; Colleen McDonald, Principal, Princess Anne Public School; Jennifer Michaud, Parent, Walden Public School and Lively District Secondary School; Bernadette Remillard, Parent, Queen Elizabeth Public School; Cynthia Loiselle-Seguin, Parent, Cyril Varney Public School; Heather Downey, Vice-Principal, Sudbury Secondary School; Michelle Walton, Principal, MacLeod Public School; Pamela Potvin, Principal, Chelmsford Valley District Composite School; Randy Wallingford, Principal, Northeastern Elementary School; Kristina Rivard Gobbo, Vice-Principal, Lockerby Composite School; Janelle Bast, Vice-Principal, Cyril Varney Public School; Iva McNair, Early Learning Administrator, Rainbow District School Board; Pauline McColeman, Parent, Jean Hanson Public School; Jessica Kittlar, Parent, Churchill Public School; Enza MacEachern, Vice-Principal, Chelmsford Public School; Donna Deslauriers, Parent, Larchwood Public School; Susan Charlebois, Parent, Larchwood Public School; Tara Labranche-Brosseau, Parent, Queen Elizabeth Public School; Etienne Brosseau, Parent, Queen Elizabeth Public School; Jennifer Graffi, Parent, MacLeod Public School; Natasha Delaney, Parent, Jean Hanson Public School; Paula Mackey, Principal, Markstay Public School; Cathy Nursall, Principal, R.H. Murray Public School; Craig Runciman, Principal, Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School; Chris Bourré, Principal, Walden Public School; Leslie Mantle, Principal, Lively District Secondary School; Jacques Mantha, Principal, C.R. Judd Public School; Karla Allen, Parent, Northeastern Elementary School; Kendra Mihell, Principal, Copper Cliff Public School; Cori Pitre, Vice-Principal, Webbwood Public School; Mitch Ross, Parent, Lockerby Composite School and Irene Koren, Parent, Sudbury Secondary School.

**Manitoulin site:**

Karen McGraw, Educational Assistant, Manitoulin Secondary School; Glyn Madill, Vice-Principal, Manitoulin Secondary School; Rhonda Bondi, Parent, Manitoulin Secondary School; Daughness Migwans, Parent, Manitoulin Secondary School; Laurie Zahnnow, Principal, Manitoulin Secondary School; Jamie Mohamed, Principal, Little Current Public School; Margaret Stringer, Principal, Assiginack Public School; Tracey Chapman, Principal, Central Manitoulin Public School; Christy Case, Principal, Charles C. McLean Public School.

1. **Call to Order:** 6 pm

2. **Welcome:** Superintendent of Schools Judy Noble

Superintendent Judy Noble welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting. Judy Noble reviewed the Agenda for the evening.

### **3. Greetings from Board Chair Doreen Dewar**

Board Chair Doreen Dewar delivered greetings on behalf of the Board of Trustees. She commended Jennifer Michaud for her leadership as Chair of PIC and thanked all members for their contribution. She told a story, a classic example of “together we win”, citing that in education, it’s the students who win and it’s the supportive and caring parents that lead to a powerful partnership for student success. She noted that in Rainbow Schools, the mission is to enable each and every student to achieve his or her full potential, from the early years through to graduation and beyond. She indicated that PIC continues to be a tremendous resource, giving parents a voice in education, a venue to learn and a vehicle to network.

### **4. Greetings from Director of Education Norm Blaseg**

Director Blaseg welcomed everyone to the first PIC meeting of the 2014-2015 school year. The scheduled guest speaker following the AGM is Dr. Adèle Lafrance Robinson, who will discuss the basics of emotion coaching. Director Blaseg highlighted the Board’s Strategic Directions that includes the priority Community, Culture and Caring, to support the social, emotional and physical well-being of students. He highlighted a few of the Board’s key initiatives to promote health and well-being for students in Rainbow Schools, including staffing for mental health, the implementation of SPARK at all Rainbow elementary schools, and the Board’s investment in technology education facilities, programs and safety. Director Blaseg thanked PIC Chair Jennifer Michaud and members of the Parent Involvement Committee for their input throughout the school year. He noted that all parents are welcome to attend PIC meetings and are encouraged to do so. He also noted that school Principals, Vice-Principals, teachers and support staff appreciate the care, concern, co-operation, commitment and contribution of parents in Rainbow Schools. He wished school councils a great school year.

### **5. 2013-2014 Annual Report**

Jennifer Battah, Communications Co-ordinator with Rainbow District School Board, presented the Parent Involvement Committee annual report highlights for the 2013-2014 school year.

### **6. 2014-2015 Election**

Superintendent Judy Noble presented the slate of candidates for the PIC Executive, as follows:

**Jennifer Michaud - Walden Public School / Lively District Secondary School**

**Selena Lavigueur - Carl A. Nesbitt Public School**

**Tonya Marcotte - Lansdowne Public School**

**Cheryl Ewin - Valley View Public School**

**Melissa Depatie - Ernie Checkeris Public School**

**Bernadette Remillard - Queen Elizabeth Public School**

**Natasha Delaney - Jean Hanson Public School**

**Terra Labranche-Brosseau - Queen Elizabeth Public School (nominated from the floor)**

**Cynthia Loiselle-Seguin - Cyril Varney Public School (nominated from the floor)**

**Irene Koren - Sudbury Secondary School (nominated from the floor)**

*Motion: "That the slate of candidates for the PIC Executive be adopted, as presented".*

**Moved by: Bob Deeth, Principal, Sudbury Secondary School**

**Seconded by: Kristina Rivard Gobbo, Vice-Principal, Lockerby Composite School**

**Carried**

Non-parent members will include:

Tyler Campbell and Bob Clement (Trustees)

Judy Noble (Superintendent of Schools)

Nicole Charette (Senior Advisor, Corporate Communications and Strategic Planning)

Lesley Fisher (Principal, Carl A. Nesbitt Public School/Ernie Checkeris Public School)

Pablo Gil-Alfau (Principal, Confederation Secondary School)

Kristina Rivard Gobbo (Vice-Principal)

Sherie Ayotte (Elementary teacher)

TBD (Secondary teacher) – will be canvassing for secondary school teacher involvement

Parents may be added to the PIC executive at the next meeting. Please forward any nominations to Judy Noble at the Board Office.

#### **6. Meeting dates for 2014-2015**

Superintendent Judy Noble reviewed the schedule of PIC meetings for the school year, as follows:

##### **Tuesday, October 21, 2014:**

AGM of School Councils

Guest Speaker: Dr. Adèle Lafrance Robinson

*In emotion coaching, it's not what happens, it's what happens next.*

*Learn the five-step model to respond to your child's emotional needs.*

##### **Tuesday, November 4, 2014:**

Mental Math: Learn strategies teachers use in the classroom to make math fun at home.

##### **Tuesday, January 6, 2015:**

My Blueprint: Learn about online individual pathway plans that will help students chart future dreams, possible career plans, course selections and personal goals. This is a web-based parent portal.

##### **Tuesday, February 17, 2015:**

Growth Mindset: Learn how we are changing our thinking about how children learn and how this helps students persevere when academic tasks get tough.

##### **Tuesday, April 7, 2015:**

Mental Health: Learn about supports for students with anxiety, depression and other mental health concerns.

**Tuesday, May 5, 2015:**

2015-2016 Planning Meeting

Judy Noble thanked everyone for attending. Participants were invited to stay for the presentation on Emotion Coaching with Dr. Adèle Lafrance Robinson in the Sheridan Auditorium at 7 pm.

9. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday, November 4, 2014**

**7 pm**

**Board Office, 69 Young Street, Sudbury**

**Topic: Mental Math**