04-19-2021 Governance Committee Meeting

Zoom Call Meeting

Date: Thurs April 19. 2021

Meeting Started 6:45

Meeting Adjourned 8:45

Committee Chair: Tara Bezusko

Attendees: Johnny Tkach, Derek Rayside, Natasha Boodoo, Lynda Jeffs, Diana Barbato,

Staff: Principal Woolford, Tracy Jewitt, Cori MacFarlane

Absent: Lindsay Stephens, Jeff Kearns, Melek De-Wint, Connie Shepherd, Joseph Hagopian, Walid Al-Hajj, Tempie, Laura-Maria Nikolareizi

- 1) Meeting Agenda Approved
- 2) Conflict of Interest Declaration no declarations
- 3) Conflict of Interest Discussion

Excel spreadsheet used via share screen to go through the PIAC template vs. Draft Bylaw from Johnny/Derek/Jeff.

Johnny/Derek/Jeff added an intro to the Bylaw and some additional Declaration procedures as well as possible examples of Conflict of Interest including Conflict of Commitment taken from a University of Waterloo Conflict of Interest Bylaw.

Robust discussion. Overall, committee could not come to a consensus. Tara will be updating some language to the draft as noted on the spreadsheet during the meeting. Any additional areas/questions, Tara will contact Johnny.

Point suggesting to remove a member (i.e. voted off) if conflict of interest not declared was removed, as according to Reg 612, a member cannot be voted off.

Some examples provided many committee members thought they were not necessary and some not applicable to School Council.

Conflict of Commitment suggesting "if someone not abiding by Code of Ethics, and because you are friends you don't do anything...you are in a conflict of interest" was not applicable and may not be healthy for community.

Overall consensus not obtained on draft. Some parents still comfortable with PIAC template.