



## District School Council / Parent Involvement Committee Meeting Minutes

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**Date:** December 14, 2023  
**Location:** Hybrid: Archie Stouffer Elementary School & Virtual  
**Time:** 6:00 pm

**1 Call to Order & Territory Acknowledgment - Superintendent Goldring**

**2 Welcome and Introductions - Superintendent Goldring**

**3 Director's Update - Director of Education Wes Hahn**

- Director Hahn announced the new Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees Chair Colleen Wilcox and Vice Chair Esther Childs and thanked Bruce Reain and Louise Clodd for their time and dedication in their previous roles as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively. Director Hahn also discussed the [Board Improvement and Equity Plan \(BIEP\) Director's Annual Report for 2022-2023](#) which is now publicly available.

**4 Administrative Updates - Superintendent Goldring**

**4.1 Presentation: Pathways to Success (A focus on Grade 8-9 Transitions) - Consultant Kate Pellerin**

- Consultant Kate Pellerin presented the various transition opportunities for students transitioning from Grade 8 to 9 at TLDSB. Consultant Pellerin explained that destreaming means students will no longer be separated into academic and applied streams in Grade 9 and therefore students will continue to learn together in the same class and will keep options open for all students to pursue postsecondary education and training in any pathway they choose. Consultant Pellerin also explained that Grade 8 students will have at least two in-person visits to their high school where students are engaged in hands-on learning opportunities to explore course options and job-skill programs.

**4.2 Inclement Weather Days - Superintendent Goldring**

- Superintendent Goldring provided detail on how inclement weather days are called. Early morning calls are made to discuss current and forecasted weather conditions with the transportation operators. Cancellations are made by geographic region – there are three regions within TLDSB. Goldring emphasized that student safety is the number one priority when making these difficult decisions.

#### **4.3 Ministry Funding for Student Safety Initiatives - Superintendent Goldring**

- Superintendent Goldring announced that there is funding available for student safety initiatives this school year. School Councils are invited to apply for up to \$1,000 for initiatives which will increase student safety at their school.

#### **4.4 Dr. Robyn Hanley-Dafoe (Presenting at April 25 Meeting) - Superintendent Goldring**

- Described as one of the most sought-after, engaging, thought-provoking, and truly transformative speakers and scholars in her field, Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe is a multi-award winning education and psychology instructor. She specializes in resiliency, navigating stress and change, wellness in the workplace, and optimal performance both at home and work. Dr. Robyn Hanley-Dafoe will be the guest speaker at the April 25, 2024 meeting held at the Muskoka Education Centre.

### **5 Advance Questions - Superintendent Goldring**

### **6 Next Meeting**

Date: February 29, 2024

Location: Hybrid, Lindsay Education Centre

Time: 6:00 pm

### **7 Adjournment**

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