



Waterloo Region Assembly
of Public School Councils

October 23, 2017

Dear School Council Chairs and Assembly Reps,

We meet Tuesday, November 7 at Forest Heights Collegiate. As per usual, we have a fairly full agenda, so we will move quickly in order to be done on time. Please try to come by 7:10 pm at the latest, as the school doors have to be locked and we would hate to have you standing outside – missing all the excitement.

Since there are so many new WRAPSC members, we are featuring talks on three topics of interest to school council members. After each 10 minute talk, we will break into groups to exchange ideas and discuss the matter further. Baden School council is known for the quality of their bylaws etc, so Kerri Getliffe will lead the first section. In the second section, Jill Magazine & Ryan Barnett-Cowan (who have been leaders in SCIS) will explain the basics. The 3rd topic will be introduced by Steve Sherlock, an experienced principal who comes recommended by his school council

The second part of the meeting will be a discussion and vote on the WRAPSC/PIC structure. We have some very good news via Laurie Tremble & Brent Hutzal, who met with John Bryant (WRDSB Director of Education) to discuss the matter. Senior staff see no reason to withdraw support from WRAPSC as its mandate supports the board's strategic plan. The WRAPSC Steering Committee would therefore like to propose that we ask PIC to select its members first in September, and then send 2 delegates to be part of the WRAPSC Steering Committee in October. This will allow WRAPSC to retain its autonomy but still work closely with PIC.

We look forward to welcoming someone from your School Council.

Regards,

Melissa Jenkins & Angelica Allen

WRAPSC Co-Chairs

AGENDA

**MEETING OF THE WATERLOO REGION ASSEMBLY OF PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS
NOVEMBER 7TH, 2017 7PM – 9:00PM - IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY
FOREST HEIGHTS COLLEGIATE, 255 FISCHER HALLMAN ROAD, KITCHENER**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Presenter/Facilitator</u>
7:00 to 7:05	Welcome	Angelica Allen, Co-Chair WRAPSC
7:05 to 8:15	School Council 101 1. How to run a council efficiently 2. What is a SCIS & how is that related to bullying issues in a school? 3. How to get the most out of your principal & vice versa	Kerri Getliffe Jill Magazine & Ryan Barnett-Cowan Steve Sherlock
8:15-8:20	Break	
8:20-8:45	WRAPSC/PIC structure (see below)	Angelica Allen
8:45	Vote	
8:50 to 9:00	Closing	Melissa Jenkins, Co- Chair WRAPSC & PIC

- A recommendation to PIC and WRAPSC that PIC and WRAPSC change their bylaws/terms/charter to indicate that:
 - WRAPSC and PIC continue to have their same mandates and continue to work as separate committees;
 - Membership processes are changed so that all PIC members go through the application process and are chosen in September;
 - Two PIC members volunteer to sit on WRAPSC as well. This counts as their subcommittee obligation;
 - PIC sends those two members to the first WRAPSC meeting and they are acclaimed to the WRAPSC steering committee;
 - The position of WRAPSC/PIC co-chair is eliminated. The committees can choose to have a single chair or co-chairs, but there is no shared co-chair.