



CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF EASTERN ONTARIO



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, November 28th, 2018 – Meeting #2

Board Office, Kemptville

7:00 p.m.

Present:

SEAC Members:

Sue Wilson (Chair), Trustee
Dave Conners (Vice Chair), Autism Ontario
Karen McAllister, Trustee
Fran Brauneisen, Association for Community Living
Amanda Banfield, Lanark County Support Services
Heather Brown, Best Buddies
Lorraine Boyer, Member-at-Large
Rob More, LLG FASD Working Group
Shelley More, LLG FASD Working Group (Alternate)

Board Resource Staff:

Donaleen Hawes, Superintendent of School Effectiveness
Heather Gerber, Principal of Special Education
Heather Bovey, Coordinator of Special Education

Approved Regrets with notification:

Guests:

Andree Anne Richer, Children's Aid Society
Megan Jarzyna, Parent, St. John Bosco Catholic School, Brockville

Meeting Called to Order

Sue Wilson (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all members and guests.

I. Approval of Amended Agenda

Moved by: Amanda Banfield

CARRIED

II. Department Update

The Professional Activity Day on Friday, November 23rd, 2018 was focused on math for teachers in their schools. The Special Education Department hosted Student Support Workers and Itinerant ABLÉ Workers in Kemptville with a focus on looking at data differently, sharing cases and sharing information to help strategize ways to implement positive plans for students. Participants presented successes and explored ways to shift student mindsets from negative thoughts to positive thoughts. Mental Health First Aid was also discussed, focusing on the worker as well as the student.

The Educational Assistants participated in a Skype session that addressed questions posed from the feedback generated from the October PA Day. They also learned more about Read/Write and its application to our students with special needs. The AT website was highlighted and EAs had time to look at particular students to plan technology opportunities for them.

III. New Business

A letter was submitted to SEAC from Open Doors for Lanark Children & Youth appointing Karen Moore as representative of Open Doors for Lanark Children & Youth beginning December 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2022.

Motion:

To appoint Karen Moore as representative of Open Doors for Lanark Children & Youth beginning December 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2022.

Moved by: Lorraine Boyer

CARRIED

A letter was submitted to SEAC from Children's Mental Health Ontario appointing Deena Shorkey as representative of Children's Mental Health Ontario beginning December 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2022.

Motion:

To appoint Deena Shorkey as representative of Children's Mental Health Ontario beginning December 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2022.

Moved by: Rob More

CARRIED

A letter was submitted to SEAC from Community Living North Grenville appointing Fran Brauneisen as representative of Community Living Ontario beginning December 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2022.

Motion:

To appoint Fran Brauneisen as representative of Community Living Ontario beginning December 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2022.

Moved by: Heather Brown

CARRIED

A letter was submitted to SEAC from Autism Ontario appointing Dave Conners as representative of Autism Ontario beginning December 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2022.

Motion:

To appoint Dave Conners as representative of Autism Ontario beginning December 1st, 2018 to November 30th, 2022.

Moved by: Amanda Banfield

CARRIED

Easter Seals Ontario has a new representative interested and a letter is to be received in January 2019.

Rob More and the SEAC Subcommittee Feedback for Public Consultation would like to proceed with a formal letter to the Ministry of Education. They will meet through teleconference to draft the letter.

Topics for future meetings were discussed and it was decided that the Harry Potter Mental Health Project will be presented in February 2019.

IV. Correspondence Received

Letter from the Special Education Advisory Committee to the Upper Grand District School Board to the Minister of Education – Support of Bill 44

V. Motion to Excuse Regrets Received

No regrets received.

VI. Next SEAC Meeting

The next meeting of the CDSBEO Special Education Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, January 30th, 2019 at the Board Office, in Kemptville, starting at 6:00 p.m.

VII. Good News Sharing

Members and guests shared items of good news from across our eight counties.

VIII. Closing Prayer

Sue Wilson led the group in the Board prayer.

IX. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Moved by: Dave Conners

CARRIED

CDSBEO SEAC Quorum Tracking

	Trustee / Chair	Trustee	VOICE *not returning this term	Assoc. for Community Living	Autism Ontario	Best Buddies	ABC *not returning this term	FASD	Easter Seals – Ontario	Lanark County Support Services	Member at Large - LB	Total
August (cancelled)												0
September	P	P		P	P	P		P		P	P	8
October	P	P		P		P		P	P	P	P	8
November – Meeting #1	P	P		P	P	P		P		P	P	8
November – Meeting #2	P	P		P	P	P		P		P	P	8
January												
February												
March												
April												
May												
June												

(5 members are required to be in attendance in order to reach Quorum)