

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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MINUTES of the SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A regular meeting was held on **April 13, 2016** at Catholic Education Centre, 320 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, Ontario, L4G 0M1 commencing at **7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Committee Members: S. Boswick, K. Bryden, D. Legris, M. Mak, T. McNicol, P. Whittam

Association Representatives: L. Ciccone, D. Flynn

Administration: A. Cabraja, T. D'Acunto, G. Galloro, C. Leger

Regrets: H. Adams, K. Amenta, T. Ciaravella, F. DiMarco, R. Dunn, C. Ferlisi, S. Gatti, A. Infusino-Simonetta, M. Luccon, E. Morgilio, O. Oloya, B. Sheppard

Recording: C. Brinias

Guests: AQ – Special Education for Administrators attendees

- E. Walters – Instructor
- Arista-Vallario
- D. Chan
- J. Palumbo
- A. Poon
- J. Sepkowski
- M. Palumbo – EA @ Holy Cross

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDANCE

2.0 Prayer – K. Bryden

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Approval of Agenda for **April 13, 2016**

Motion – Agenda approved (McNicol / Whittam)

4.0 Approval of the Minutes

Approval of Minutes **March 7, 2016**

Motion – Minutes approved (McNicol / Whittam)

5.0 SEAC Report to Board

Report 2016:02 – March 7, 2016

6.0 Information Items

6.1 Board Agenda – March 29, 2016

6.2 Student Services In-Service Calendar for April 2016

7.0 Correspondence

7.1 Special Education Grant Funding in 2016 – 2017

8.0 Presentations/Discussions

8.1 IEP Audit 2014 – 2015

Cathy Leger & Gemma Galloro Special Program Coordinators (Elementary & Secondary) provided a comprehensive presentation on the IEP Audit 2014 – 2015 outlining progress indicators and methods of meeting ministry standards.

See PowerPoint presentation attached.

8.2 Debrief re: budget presentation to Board of Trustees on March 29, 2016

Kathy Bryden, Chair & Paul Whittam provided a summary of the budget presentation given to Board of Trustees on March 29, 2016.

8.3 Discussions re: “Fund the Need” Approach to Special Education Funding

See video at <http://www.ddsb.ca/Trustees/OneinFour-FundTheNeed/Pages/default.aspx>

8.4 Recognition of Paul Whittam by Board of Trustees

Kathy Bryden, Chair provided a summary of the acknowledgement given to Paul Whittam at the Board Meeting on March 29th for his 24 years of service to the SEAC Committee

9.0 Business Arising

9.1 Special Education Plan –

- April 30, 2016 Special Education Plan Feedback due to Carmela Brinias
- May 11, 2016 Approval of Special Education Plan by SEAC
- June 8, 2016 Special Education Plan goes to Board for approval
- July 15, 2016 Special Education Plan submission to Ministry

9.2 Use of Video Surveillance Equipment – Policy Consultation Form

- due April 25, 2016

9.3 Transition Planning Symposium Flyer – May 18, 2016

10.0 Action Items

11.0 Association Reports

11.1 Downs Syndrome Association

The CN Tower lit up in blue and yellow on March 21, 2016 which marked the 11th anniversary of World Down Syndrome Day. Many mediums were used to recognize this day such as social media and television.

12.0 Items for Future Agendas

13.0 Next Meeting: May 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Catholic Education Center, 320 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, Ontario L4G 0M1

14.0 Motion to adjourn meeting was made (McNicol / Whittam)
Meeting adjourned: 8:30 p.m.