

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Guided by Gospel Values and Catholic Virtues, in partnership with home and Church, we educate and inspire all students to reach their full potential in a safe and caring environment.

MINUTES of the SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A regular meeting was held on **March 6, 2017** at Catholic Education Centre located at 320 Bloomington Road West, Ontario commencing at **7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Committee Members:	H. Adams, S. Boswick, K. Bryden, E. Chan, S. Gatti, D. Legris, J. MacMillian, M. Hunter, T. McNicol (teleconference), S. Suppa,
Association Representatives:	R. Dunn-Gibson, P. Dignard, F. DiMarco
Administration:	O. Oloyo, A. Cabraja, J. Fragnelli, G. Galloro, T. D'Acunto,
Regrets:	D. Flynn, B. Sheppard, T. Ciaravella, C. Ferlisi
Recording:	C. Brinias
Guests:	F. Cirinna, Fr. Bressani Graduate T. Lorini, York Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Member R. Nang, LDAYR Practicum Student from Windsor University

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDANCE

2.0 Prayer

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Approval of Agenda for **March 6, 2017**
Motion – Agenda approved (Bryden / Boswick)

4.0 Approval of the Minutes

Approval of Minutes **February 13, 2017**
Motion – Minutes approved (Gatti / Legris)

5.0 SEAC Report to Board

Report 2017:02 – **February 13, 2017**

6.0 Information Items

6.1 Board Agenda – **February 28, 2017**
6.2 Student Services In-Service Calendar – **not available**

7.0 Correspondence

7.1 Peterborough Catholic District School Board

8.0 Presentations/Discussions

8.1 My Journey through Special Education

- Frank Cirinna, Fr. Bressani Graduate provided a presentation regarding his experience with Special Education Programs and Services at YCDSB.

8.2 Multi-year Strategic Plan Survey, Climate Survey & Exit Survey

- Diane Murgaski, Superintendent of Education: Curriculum & Assessment and Marcelle McShine-Quao, Researcher provided a comprehensive overview of the Multi-year Strategic Plan Survey, Climate Survey & Exit Survey.
- **See PowerPoint presentation attached.**

8.3 SEAC Goal Update

- Videotaping of SEAC meeting

9.0 Business Arising

10.0 Action Items

11.0 Association Reports

- **The Learning Disabilities Association of York Region is taking registration for:**
 - STEM Spring Discovery Club beginning April 2017
 - Annual Conference on Connected Strategies for Parents on April 26th 2017
 - Summer Camp dates will be available shortly.
 - Contact Stephanie Gatti directly if you are interested in further information: programs@ldayr.org or 905-884-7933 ext. 24.
- **Down Syndrome Association (DSAYR)**
We are celebrating World Down Syndrome Day, and inaugural proclamation of Ontario's Down Syndrome Day! DSAYR together with DSAO invites all members, their families and friends to the Royal Ontario Museum for Animal Explorers event. Fun scavenger hunts for kids ages 12 and under. Children can team up with one of their cuddly Animal Explorers and take them along as they explore the ROM beginning at 11:00 am. This event is open to current members of DSAYR, their families and friends. Coach Bus transportation will be subsidized by DSAO/DSAYR to all participants. Tickets are \$10/person for this event.
- **Community Living Newmarket/Aurora District** will be hosting a Tuesday Night Respite program, IMPACT. This respite program will be free of charge for participants. IMPACT will be held each Tuesday Evening starting in April at Destinations - 460 Oak Street in Newmarket. It is open to all people of all abilities, ages 6+. Information regarding IMPACT and registration details will be posted on our Facebook page and website at www.clnad.com. For more information please contact Karie Evelyn via email, karie.evelyn@clnad.com or at the office, 905-898-3000 x 247.

Community Living York South

- Our agency will have March Break Camp from March 13 – 17, 2017 at four locations (Stouffville/Markham/Richmond Hill/Vaughan). Right now, Stouffville & Vaughan still accept registration. If you are interested, please contact Ellen Chan at echan@communitylivingyorksouth.ca. Please read the attached flyers for more information.

12.0 Items for Future Agendas

12.1 EQAO Results for Literacy & Math – May 8, 2017

13.0 Next Meeting: April 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Catholic Education Center, 320 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, Ontario

14.0 Motion to adjourn meeting was made

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 p.m. (Boswick / Legris)