



SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
S.E.A.C. Agenda

Date: Wednesday, March 31, 2021

<https://meet.google.com/ucs-phwo-wps>

Time: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Attendance: Rose Burton Spohn, Lorna Connolly Beattie, Joe Chilelli,
Irma DiRenzo, Lori Ivey, Sherri Kitts, Jared Lambert, Tina Newell, Jacques Ribout,
Gary Trembinski, Sandra Turco and Rosanne Zagordo

Student Trustees and Guests: Lucas Marano, Adam Morgenstern, Steve Brown

Regrets: Theresa Coccimiglio

AGENDA ITEMS		ACTION	WHO	WHEN
1.	PRAYER FOR SEAC Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer was said by all. 		
2.	ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (February 24, 2021)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes were accepted. 	Sherri Kitts Lorna Connolly Beattie	
3.	AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES			
4.	GUEST(s): REPORTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Trustee Report Steve Brown-Accessibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SMC showed inclusion through an event called Lucky Week. This included dress down and tickets 	Lucas Marano Adam Morgenstern	

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Jared Lambert- Mental Health update	<p>to free draws.LMS and smart boards are being used</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Some opportunities at SMC can include more interactive learning. Math class would be a good way to have more interactive learning.Some highlights in ILS include more hands on and creative activities, such as cooking, using the cricut machine and virtual karate.Technology is being used and computers are available in the library and in the classrooms. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Steve Brown, Manager of Plant Services, shared the 8 year plan, which is due 2024. Upgrades to 3 schools were started and included universal washroom upgrades, upgraded signage and tactile indicator strips.Holy Family doorways were widened and emergency call systems were put in.Elevator in Blind River was upgradedFurther barrier free upgrades in Blind River were done and stairwells at St. Francis French Immersion was upgraded.This year our two schools in Elliot Lake are being upgraded to include barrier free enhancements-this is a ' 3-5 year upgrade plan.This year student washrooms at Our Lady Of Fatima in Elliot Lake are a priority. Universal washrooms are being installed.Elliot lake schools were on the priority list and now improvements are underway.More plans are in place for Holy Name of Jesus, Our Lady of Fatima in Chapleau, Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Paul as well as St. Mary's French Immersion, St. Mary's Massey, St. Joseph and St. Basil. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mental Health team members are mostly trained in Behaviour Management Systems and are asked to support students and staff in these areas.February 21 - Suicide intervention training that occurred as a webinar sequence..	Steve Brown	Jared Lambert
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Peer supervision model is being implemented- this has become part of the Mental Health team meetings. This method is used to implement supervision as a group and provides support for new clinicians. Jared reviewed the structure of the supervision model. ● Mental Health navigation tools are used to help people navigate and to get Mental Health support. Jared went through the flow chart of this tool and will send a copy out when it is available. ● School Mental Health Boards are being promoted to all of our schools. It would include the current Mental Health newsletter, contact information for the counsellor at that school. Each counsellor is going to be responsible to oversee this board in their school. ● Summer counselling Coverage- this is our third year to have counselling support offered. Office space is secured at MSJCEC where there is a counselling room available. The virtual platform is still offered. 		
5.	MINISTRY UPDATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Summer learning opportunities and funding has been announced for Special Education and counselling. ● Upgrade to our student transportation grant has been announced. ● Entry to School Funding for students with Autism-, more information to follow. ● School year calendar was approved in February and the Ministry has advised that 2-3 PA days need to be added in September. The calendar will be revised and sent back out.. ● The Ministry clarified that the graduation requirement for community involvement hours for this year is different. ● Asymptomatic testing follow up- we were assigned a vendor and then the vendor was reassigned to a new vendor. Parents and staff will be provided more information. This is on a voluntary basis ● Spring break is now going ahead however, there will be an announcement on Friday May 2 with 	Rose Burton Spohn	

		<p>more information regarding Covid-19 more possible restrictions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools in Massey and Espanola are now closed as directed by Sudbury Health guidelines. 		
6.	<p>SEAC BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SGDSB letter HPEDSB letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter from Superior Greenstone DSB, agrees with the letter from Durham DSB surrounding the recommendations for online learning support and Universal Design for learning. This would involve creating accessible resources for the delivery of online content. Letter from Hastings and Prince Edward DSB would like to request the Ministry of Health and our local health unit to strengthen its commitment to ensuring the health and safety of students and HPEDSB employees who work directly with students with high special needs, in regional and self-contained placements. Also, it states the urgent need to provide students who are of appropriate age and their staff, with access to vaccinations as quickly as possible. 	Rosanne Zagordo	
7.	BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD			
8.	<p>SUPERINTENDENT AND COORDINATOR'S REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IEP Module in Aspen Projected Needs OAP- next steps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our current IEP engine, (Cardinal-LearnStyle) is going to be disabled at the end of the year. We have incorporated an IEP module into our current Student Information System- Aspen. All IEPs will be live in Aspen by the end of June. Projected Needs- Special Education is constantly reviewing and updating to ensure support is provided where needed as students move to different learning modalities. OAP-more information to follow. privatized and fee for service. 	Rosanne Zaogrdo Joe Chilelli	
i	North Shore Tribal Council (S. Kitts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everyone is back to the office but meetings are still happening virtually. 	Sherri Kitts	
ii	AUTISM ONTARIO SSM CHAPTER PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (I. DiRenzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Book study is moving forward at THRIVE. 		

iii	ALGOMA FAMILY SERVICES (T. Coccimiglio)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 		
v	ALGOMA PUBLIC HEALTH (L. Ivey)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Predominantly virtual and some in person visits. PSL and ICDP, a list has been generated and looks at having lunch and learns for families. 		
vi	THRIVE – WELL BEING COMMITTEE (T. Newell)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waiting on further information for the OAP. Coffee Breaks may be offered in the near future. ACWA virtual clinic was conducted yesterday for families. Center visits are being offered depending on priority. Most work is still being offered virtually. 		
viii	COMMUNITY LIVING ALGOMA (J. Ribout)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trying to meet with children’s teams at CLA who we support as a child with an intellectual disability. CLA workers are always welcome to sit in Integrated Transition Meetings at Secondary. After school or weekend meetings, CLA workers may be able to support. 		
x	MEMBER-AT-LARGE – FOCUS ON FAITH (L. Connolly Beattie)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 		
xi	TRUSTEES REPORT (S. Turco, G. Trembinski)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Meeting March 24 was conducted virtually.. There was one presentation called Developing Faith and Community by Rachel Bierdrman and Lina DiPasquale about Father Pat joining at St Mary’s French Immersion virtually. Policies were addressed. We purchased new computer refreshes from Dell. Verbal update from Rose about rebranding and logo Steve Brown and Student Trustees reports were shared and SEAC minutes were passed. 	Sandra Turco Gary Trembinski	
9.	Minutes by: Rosanne Zagrordo Meeting Adjourned:6:00 pm		Lori Ivey Gary Trembinski	

Next Meeting: April 28, 2021

Place: Google Meet link to follow

Time: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

