



SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

S.E.A.C.

Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Google Meet: meet.google.com/rrw-byfk-anw

Time: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Attendance: Theresa Coccimiglio, Tina Coombs, Irma DiRenzo, Chelsy Hannah, Sherri Kitts, Jared Lambert, Fil Lettieri, Jacques Ribout, Gary Trembinski, Sandra Turco, Rosanne Zagordo

Student Trustees and Guests: Adam Morgenstern, Jenna Viotto

Regrets: Danny Viotto

AGENDA ITEMS		ACTION	WHO	WHEN
1.	Welcome and prayer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer was said by all. 	Rosanne Zagordo Theresa Coccimiglio	
2.	ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (March 30, 2022)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes from March 30, 2022 were accepted. 	Gary Trembinski Sherri Kitts	
3.	AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates on Recommendation to SEAC committee 	Theresa Coccimiglio	
4.	GUEST(s): REPORTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SMC Student Trustees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk for Justice is happening with all students involved. Carnival is planned with Grade 8 students Student/Teacher hockey game occurred Yearbook has shown inclusion Peer Tutoring and Math Teams are happening. 	Jenna Viotto Adam Morgenstern	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Math Team has a problem of the week for all to participate in solving it. • Teachers are staying after school to support with extra learning • Technology is still being used- LMS and Google classrooms • The Easter Mass featured a slideshow and the yearbook class has used the computer lab to create the yearbook • The exam prep team is asking for teachers to provide support • ILS classroom- ITP meetings are occurring. Several students have secured employment at CLA from ILS class. 		
5.	MINISTRY UPDATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priorities and Partnership Funding (PPF) was provided from the Ministry of Ed. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professional Assessments and Systematic Evidence Based Reading Program (March - December 31st, 2022) - \$125,000 2. Summer Learning for Students with Special Needs - \$84,000 3. ECODE - Summer Learning Program (4 Classes that will run from July 4th - 22nd) 	Fil Lettieri	
6.	SEAC BUSINESS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter from Durham CDSB • Letter from Catholic DSB of Eastern Ontario • Letter from York CDSB-2letters • Letter from UGDSB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This letter from Durham CDSB is in regards to PPM 81-Provision of Health Support Services in School Settings. • This letter from Catholic DSB of Eastern Ontario is sharing a common concern expressed by other school boards regarding online learning supports, accessibility and universal design for Learning in provincial online learning resources and the platforms used to access these resources. • This letter from York CDSB, addresses the current nursing shortage and how it affects students in schools who require nursing care. It is recommended that updates to the 'Family Managed 	Rosanne Zagordo Fil Lettieri	

		<p>Home Care/Self Directed Care program eligibility requirements now include parents/guardians of students with complex medical needs that prevent them from attending school due to the shortage of nurses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The second letter from York CDSB requests the Minister to evaluate the true costs associated with SIP claims to support students and increase funding accordingly. Further to the request, that the Special Education funding model be reviewed and changed to accurately reflect the increasing and more complex needs of students with special needs. • The letter from UGDSB concerning PPM 81 about unification of speech and language services. 		
7.	<p>BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss changing the meeting times. • SEAC recommendations committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We had a discussion about changing the meeting times. This will be deferred until September. • May 4, 2022 at 3:00 pm the committee for SEAC recommendations will be meeting. 	Theresa Coccimiglio	
8.	<p>SUPERINTENDENT AND COORDINATOR'S REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counsellor Posting • OLOF - ACE East • After School Program • Early Screening Tools • Increasing SEAC representation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The After School Program for students with Autism is offered. • A student and family counsellor position was posted for the East schools as our counsellor who recently returned has resigned. • Posting for Student & Family Counsellor (EAST) - closed Friday. Interviews next week. • ACE - EAST (Our Lady of Fatima - Elliot Lake) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ School community identified the need for life skills programming ➢ LEAD classes at ADSB, but parents wish to stay within our Catholic system ➢ Witnessed the benefits of this programming as the principal at St.Basil ➢ Students will integrate into the regular classroom for preferred subjects) • Early Screening Survey • Increasing our SEAC representation 	<p>Fil Lettieri Rosanne Zagordo</p>	

a.	North Shore Tribal Council (S. Kitts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessments will be conducted for Grade 8 and Grade 12 students. 	Sherri Kitts	
b.	AUTISM ONTARIO SSM CHAPTER PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (I. DiRenzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vickie Kearns has resigned her position as of May 6 and will be replaced by Annie McDonald. 	Irma DiRenzo	
c.	ALGOMA FAMILY SERVICES (T. Coccimiglio)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's Mental Health Week is starting tomorrow Dr. Ulzen is coming next month to AFS. Referrals are being taken. Wawa is looking for a counselor. Inquiries can be directed to Theresa Coccimiglio 	Theresa Coccimiglio	
d.	THRIVE – WELL BEING COMMITTEE (T. Coombs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transition of APH, ICDP is now up and running at THRIVE- Lori Lambert, Kasia Ceglaz, Chelsea Palazzi, Sarah Gregorchuk and Sarah MacMillan are newly hired.. 	Tina Coombs	
e.	COMMUNITY LIVING ALGOMA (J. Ribout)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contest for Together we are Better occurred and two students from Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of Lourdes were the winners. Shelley Moore is scheduled for Oct. 24 and 25, 2022. Sergio Iacoe attended many transition meetings. Transition from Case workers to Support workers. This new direction has been based on the feedback from parents involved in the children's program. 	Jacques Ribout	
f.	MEMBER-AT-LARGE (C. Hannah)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact North is doing free classes to help empower students with Autism by signing up for various classes. The address is: Autism.saultstemarie@contactnorth.ca- 705-542-9508 	Chelsy Hannah	
g.	MEMBER-AT-LARGE – FOCUS ON FAITH (I. DiRenzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	Irma DiRenzo	
h.	TRUSTEES REPORT (G. Trembinski, S. Turco)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was a moment of silence for M. Nenon who passed away in London. New to meetings; SMC presentations will be held monthly. SMC college yearbook presentation was held. KPMG- excellence in education. They are doing a study to see how things can be done differently. Report in May will be offered SEAC minutes from March 30 were approved. 	Gary Trembinski Sandra Turco	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Electronic Poll for Trustee determination for election in October- 6 trustees, 2 East and 1 in the North and one First Nations Trustee. ● Resolutions for various schools were approved ● St. Mary's student trustee report. ● Terry Fox's report was provided. ● Catholic Education week will be held in early May. 		
9.	NOTES: Minutes by: Rosanne Zagordo	Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm		

Next Meeting: May 25, 2022

Location: Google Meet Llnk to be provided.

Time: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.