



**SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
S.E.A.C.
Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2022

**Location: Quattro Restaurant
Time: 4:00pm - 6:00pm**

Attendance: John Caputo, Karisa Ceglaz, Theresa Coccimiglio, Sherri Kitts, Jared Lambert, Fil Lettieri,, Melanie Ross, Tiana Rushon, Gary Trembinski, Rosanne Zagordo

Student Trustees and Guests:

Regrets: Irma Di Renzo, Jacques Ribout, Owen Middleton, Jenna Viotto, Kasia Ceglaz

AGENDA ITEMS		ACTION	WHO	WHEN
1.	PRAYER FOR SEAC Welcome, Land Acknowledgement and Prayer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer was said by everyone 	Fil Lettieri	
2.	ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (November 23, 2022)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes from November 23, 2022 were accepted. 	Gary Trembinski Sherri Kitts	
3.	AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES			
4.	GUEST(s): REPORTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SMC Trustee report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heaven sent activities are in progress ILS class in participating in outings at KBX Students continue to use technology- Google and LMS 	Jenna Viotto Owen Middleton	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor classes are running this semester at St. Kateri. Extra help is offered for students at lunch. 		
5.	MINISTRY UPDATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An extension for SIP claims has been offered to school boards as needed. 	Fil Lettieri	
6.	SEAC BUSINESS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter from DDSB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This letter from Durham District School Board urges the Minister to evaluate the true costs associated with SIP claims to support our students and increase funding accordingly. Additionally, they request, once again, that the Special Education funding model be reviewed and changed to accurately reflect the increasing and more complex needs of students with special needs.” 	Rosanne Zagordo	
7.	BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD			
8.	SUPERINTENDENT AND COORDINATOR’S REPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transition to Kindergarten meetings are in the process of being booked from THRIVE and Garden River SIP claims are in progress and due December 15, 2022 to the Ministry. 	Fil Lettieri Rosanne Zagordo	
a.	North Shore Tribal Council (S. Kitts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sherri continues to meet with school teams to support students and families. 	Sherri Kitts	
b.	AUTISM ONTARIO SSM CHAPTER PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (I. DiRenzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newsletter from Autism Ontario was received and sent out widely to employees. 	Irma DiRenzo	
c.	ALGOMA FAMILY SERVICES (T. Coccimiglio)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AFS is open during the holidays. Phoenix Rising Christmas Party is planned. 	Theresa Coccimiglio	
d.	THRIVE – WELL BEING COMMITTEE (K. Ceglarz)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	Kasia Ceglarz	
e.	COMMUNITY LIVING ALGOMA (J. Robout)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shelley Moore provided details to CLA regarding a Potential 5 Part Learning Series with us and our partners building upon the work from our October 24th session. Members of our CLA tem have been meeting in-person with our community partners (ADSB, HSCDSB, and various agency leaders) to: a) share details from organizational and financial perspectives, b) gather their thoughts and ideas, 	Jacques Ribout	

		and c) garner interest in this opportunity/initiative moving forward.Sergio met with Brent Vallee of the ADSB last week and was meeting with Fil a HSCDSB this week to discuss the next Shelley Moore visit (S)		
f.	Easter Seals (T. Rushon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In January, Easter Seals is looking at supporting accessibility devices for the home. 	Tiana Rushon	
g	Member at Large- Melanie Ross	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	Melanie Ross	
h	MEMBER-AT-LARGE – FOCUS ON FAITH (I. Direnzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	Irma DiRenzo	
i.	TRUSTEES REPORT (J. Caputo, G. Trembinski))	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report at this time. 	John Caputo Gary Trembinski	
9.	NOTES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm. 	Gary Trembinski Sherri Kitts	

BOARD PRAYER -We are many, we are one; we all form one body in Christ.

Lord,

when we see the one before us, let us reverence your presence within;

when we listen to one another, let us hear with our hearts;

when we reflect on each encounter, may we discern to understand;

when we learn from those around us, let us respect our differences with joy;

and when we act, may we be kind and generous to all,

for each person is a member of your body, with all that they are.

We are many, we are one.

Amen



Next Meeting: January 31, 2023

Location: TBA

Time: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.