



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

**Date:** Wednesday January 29, 2025

**Location:** SMC

**Time:** 1:30 pm

**Google Meet:** <https://meet.google.com/zkn-rbtt-wgu>

**Attendance:** John Caputo, Kasia Ceglarz, Theresa Coccimiglio, Irma DiRenzo, Jared Lambert, Rachelle Lambert, Fil Lettieri, Jacques Ribout, Melanie Ross, Tiana Rushon, Franca Spadafora, Gary Trembinski, Rosanne Zagordo

**Student Trustees and Guests:** Tiziana Palumbo, Larry Pezzutto, Heidi Zagordo

**Regrets:** Kenzie Garson, Mya Jesnsen, Alexander Oraziatti,

AGENDA ITEMS		ACTION	WHO	WHEN
1.	WELCOME LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PRAYER FOR SEAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Catholicity - HSCDSB</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Land Acknowledgement</a></li></ul>	Franca Spadafora	
2.	ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES : December 18, 2024)		Jacques Ribout Rachelle Lambert	
3.	AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES			
4.	GUEST(s): REPORTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• SMC Student Trustees</li><li>• SMC presentation</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">January 25' SEAC Report.pdf</a></li></ul>	Tiziana Palumbo Larry Pezzutto Heidi Zagordo	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SMC staff provided SEAC members with a tour of the ILS program including the Mental Health supports.</li> </ul>		
5.	MINISTRY UPDATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Defer Ministry updates until February.</li> </ul>	Franca Spadafora	February
6.	SEAC BUSINESS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MASCE UPDATES</li> <li>SEAC recommendation update</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Meeting March 2025 (Jan 17).pdf</a></li> <li><a href="#">MACSE - Collaboration Fillable Template Nov 2024 Blank EN .docx MARCH 2025.pdf</a></li> <li>A brainstorming session was held.</li> </ul>	Irma Direnzo Franca Spadafora	
7.	BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD			
8.	SUPERINTENDENT, COORDINATOR and MENTAL HEALTH LEADER'S REPORTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PD day - Jan. 31, 2025</li> <li>Transition to Kindergarten</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PreVenture is up and running</li> <li>New counsellors will be announced soon.</li> <li>Pastoral response guides are being revised and refreshed to a digital format with the Faith Leader</li> <li>Transition to Kindergarten meetings are complete.</li> <li>Upcoming PD will be about ADHD and presented by staff in Special Education.</li> </ul>	Jared Lambert Franca Spadafora Rosanne Zagordo	
9.	ASSOCIATION REPORTS			
a.	NORTH SHORE TRIBAL COUNCIL (R. Lambert)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There will be a Round Dance. Flyer to follow with details. This is open to the public.</li> </ul>	Rachelle Lambert	
	AUTISM ONTARIO SSM CHAPTER PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE ( Name required) (I. DiRenzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Autism Ontario Raise the Flag information to be shared with schools.</li> </ul>	Irma DiRenzo	
c.	ALGOMA FAMILY SERVICES (T. Coccimiglio)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No report at this time.</li> </ul>	Theresa Coccimiglio	

d.	THRIVE – WELL BEING COMMITTEE ( K. Ceglarz)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thrive has successfully completed our School transition Meeting with Rosanne. Thrive staff are supporting families with early registration.</li> <li>• OAP is running two camps through the March break. Flyers have been distributed to schools and staff.</li> <li>• Families have received and accepted their invitations to the OAP Entry to School Program starting in March.</li> <li>• There is a FASD group that will be running for 8 weeks at AFS. Please see attached flyer.</li> </ul>	Kasia Ceglarz	
e.	COMMUNITY LIVING ALGOMA (J. Ribout)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Link for Contest:</li> <li>• <a href="#">2025 Together We're Better Contest Poster - English.pdf</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Summer Employment Job Posting for Coaches and Coordinator - 2025.docx</a></li> </ul>	Jacques Ribout	
f.	MEMBER-AT-LARGE (M. Ross)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The funding model may be changing, affecting the amount of students allowed in the CICE program.</li> </ul>	Melanie Ross	
g.	MEMBER-AT-LARGE – FOCUS ON FAITH (I. DiRenzo)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report at this time.</li> </ul>	Irma DiRenzo	
h.	EASTER SEALS (T. Rushon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Snowarama is happening in Sault Ste. Marie on February 22nd and in Espanola on February 9th to raise money for Easter Seals. You can go to <a href="http://snowarama.org">snowarama.org</a> to register or donate.</li> </ul>	Tiana Rushon	
i.	TRUSTEES' REPORTS (J. Caputo, G. Trembinski)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report at this time.</li> </ul>	John Caputo Gary Trembinski	

10	ADJOURNMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm</li> </ul>	Jacques Ribout Gary Trembinski	
11.	NOTES			

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 26, 2025**

**Location:** Board Room

**Time:** 4:00-6:00 pm