



Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday, November 7, 2023
Location: Muskoka Education Centre | Lindsay Education Centre
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Present: D. Callan, D. McInerney, S. Bullock, K. Irons, B. Reain, A. Rose, R. McHugh, H. Harris
Regrets: J. Balfour, R. McCracken
Guests: K. Henshall
Staff: J. Johnston, M. Lefler, W. Browne

1 Call to Order

2 Roll Call

S. Bullock called roll and confirmed that a quorum was present.

3 Approval of Agenda

Moved by D. McInerney, seconded by D. Callan that the agenda be approved.
Carried.

4 Committee Action Items

4.1 Approval of the minutes of the October 3, 2023 meeting

Moved by D. McInerney, seconded by A. Rose that the minutes dated October 3, 2023 be approved.
Carried.

4.2 Adoption of the SEAC Terms of Reference

A draft of the new SEAC Terms of Reference was shared for review and discussion.

Moved by D. Callan, seconded by D. McInerney that the SEAC Terms of Reference be adopted as amended.
Carried

4.3 Adoption of the SEAC Handbook

A draft of the new SEAC Handbook was shared for review and discussion.

Moved by R. McHugh, seconded by A. Rose that the SEAC Handbook be adopted as amended.
Carried

5 Administrative Updates

5.1 Presentation: Autism Services in TLDSB

Special Education Consultant Kristi Henshall shared a presentation focusing on the Board's autism services and supports.

5.2 System Updates

J. Johnston shared the the following updates:

- 2022-2023 EQAO results.
- Special Education Review process next steps.

5.3 Department Updates

M. Lefler shared the following updates:

- staff professional learning continues, including an upcoming collaboration with occupational therapy agencies at the November 17, 2023 professional activity day.
- A new speech and language pathologist has been hired.

6 SEAC Projects

6.1 IEP Survey

Data and questions from earlier surveys were provided for review and discussion. Planning will continue at the next meeting with the launch tentatively scheduled for spring 2024.

6.2 "What Is SEAC?" Brochure

There was discussion about resources and suggestions for an informational brochure about the committee and its purpose.

7 Other Business

7.1 Updates and other items for discussion

There were no other items for discussion.

7.2 Association and community news

- Former Community Living Huntsville president Michael Jacques was a guest speaker at an event at Pine Glen Public School.
- One Kids Place is now fully staffed in the Muskoka area.

7.3 Future business

There was no future business.

8 Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

9 Next Meeting

Date: December 4, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

Location: Muskoka Education Centre / Lindsay Education Centre

10 Adjournment

Moved by D. McInerney, seconded by A. Rose that the meeting be adjourned.

Carried.

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