

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC)

Monday, October 26, 2020 - 9:30 a.m.

Teeswater River Room

SEAC Members: Lorie Hill, FASworld Canada; Jackie Ralph, Canadian Mental Health Association, Grey Bruce Branch Mental Health and Addiction Services; Alicia Rosenberg, Bruce Grey Child & Family Services; Michelle Shevalier, Member-at-Large (Vice-Chair); Liz Thomas, Keystone Child, Youth & Family Services; Marlene Webb, Community Living Walkerton and District

Trustee Members: Tracy Lynn Atkinson (Chair), Marilyn McComb

Student Senator: Alexis Hollister, Student Senator - John Diefenbaker Senior School

Resource Staff: Cynthia Lemon, Superintendent of Education; Melissa McEwen, Learning Services Administrator; Amanda Sims, Executive Assistant; Joyce Nicoll, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION / DECISION / ACTION	FOLLOW UP
1. Welcome & Acknowledgement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracy Lynn Atkinson, Chair welcomed everyone. Liz Thomas, Keystone Child, Youth & Family Services and Marlene Webb, Community Living Walkerton and District joined the meeting through Microsoft Teams. 	
2. Approval of Agenda	<p>Moved by: Alicia Rosenberg That the agenda for October 26, 2020 of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting be approved. Carried</p>	
3. Approval of Minutes	<p>Moved by: Michelle Shevalier That the Minutes for September 28, 2020 of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting be approved. Carried</p>	
4. Business Arising from the Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Melissa McEwen shared the number of students in the remote school with special education needs. 	- J. Nicoll - share PowerPoint
5. Voices from the Field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cassie Kaufman, System Special Education Lead Teacher provided information on the recent migration to eLite which offers several different modules. The first one implemented was the IEP Writer, and more recently Be Safe. 	- J. Nicoll - share PowerPoint
6. Student Voice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alexis Hollister shared she has been doing some online learning. 	
7. Superintendent Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cynthia Lemon, Superintendent of Education provided an update on the ongoing work being done by members of the Learning Services – Student Support department. Cynthia shared upcoming retirements and resignation. 	- J. Nicoll - share PowerPoint
8. Trustees Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marilyn McComb, Trustee provided an update of the October 20, 2020 Board Meeting. 	

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9. Member(s) Update and Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lorie Hill gave an update around the Bill. Lorie is considering joining the Educational Action group with FASD ONE. Alicia Rosenburg shared they continue supporting youth and families in a safe way. October 27 is wear purple day to raise awareness to support vulnerable children. Jackie Ralph shared the many initiative they are supporting including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> November. Classroom presentations Wellness Wednesdays at JDSS Bulletin boards with resources at schools Online scavenger hunt Working on offering Rainbows program at Chapman House Kids Help Phone Kits at schools Choices team met with Bluewater staff Marlene Webb wondered if the hiring is complete for remote classrooms. Cynthia Lemon responded that the majority of positions are filled. She also wondered about the process for providing specialized equipment to students in the remote school. Melissa McEwen outlined the process in place. Liz Thomas shared the challenges her organization is experiencing in providing supports while keeping everyone safe during the pandemic. 	
10. SEAC Communications	10.1 Question of the Week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracy Lynn shared the Question of the Week remains on hold. 	
11. Notice of Motion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Notices of Motion. 	
12. Agenda Building 2020-2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> November – Remote Classroom - D2L December - School Mental Health Ontario January - Special Incidence Portion Claims 	
13. Communications Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cynthia reviewed letter from Conseil Scolaire Catholique Nouvelon letter that was included in the last agenda. 	
14. Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None. 	
15. Adjournment	Moved by: Marilyn McComb That the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting adjourn at 10:30 a.m. <div style="text-align: right;">Carried</div>	