

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC)

January 28, 2019

9:30 a.m.

Bluewater District School Board Education Centre, Chesley

SEAC Members:	Lorie Hill, FASworld Canada; Sandra Kilby, Keystone Child, Youth & Family Services; Brittany Knight, Member-at-Large; Jackie Ralph, Canadian Mental Health Association, Grey Bruce Branch Mental Health and Addiction Services; Alicia Rosenberg, Bruce Grey Child & Family Services
Trustee Members:	Tracy Lynn Atkinson (Chair), Marilyn McComb
Student Senator:	Maira Robertson, Walkerton District Community School
Resource Staff:	Wendy Kolohon, Superintendent of Education; Lisa Emke, Learning Services Administrator; Darlene Thomson, Executive Assistant (Recorder)
Absent:	Michelle Shevalier, Member-at-Large (Vice-Chair); Marlene Webb, Community Living Walkerton and District

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION / DECISION / ACTION	FOLLOW UP Jan. 28, 2019
1. Welcome and Acknowledgement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracy Lynn Atkinson welcomed everyone. Brittany Knight, Member-at-Large, joined the meeting by teleconference. 	
2. Approval of Agenda	<p>Moved by: Marilyn McComb That the Agenda for January 28, 2019 of the Special Education Advisory Committee be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	
3. Approval of Minutes	<p>Moved by: Jackie Ralph That the Minutes for December 17, 2018 of the Special Education Advisory Committee be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	
4. Business Arising from the Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No business arising. 	
5. Voices from the field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tawnya Schlosser and Michelle Stephens, Specialized Technology gave a presentation regarding specialized equipment. They reviewed the process to obtain specialized equipment for students and the support that they provide to the school team and students. SEAC viewed a video regarding the specialized equipment being used by students in Bluewater District School Board. 	
6. Student Voice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maira Robertson gave an overview of the events that are occurring throughout the district. 	
7. Superintendent Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wendy Kolohon, Superintendent of Education gave an overview of the work of the learning services – student support staff. 	Darlene – to send PowerPoint to SEAC
8. Individual Education Plan/Identification, Placement and Review Committee (IPRC) Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lisa Emke, Learning Services Administrator, will be leading the subcommittee regarding IEP/IPRC working group. SEAC members are welcome to join. Meeting has been scheduled for February 22, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at the Bluewater District School Board Education Centre. Let Lisa know if you wish to be part of the committee. 	SEAC members – follow up with Lisa if applicable
9. Trustees Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marilyn McComb, Trustee, gave an overview of the recent board meeting. 	

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10. Member(s) Update and Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandra Kilby, representative of Keystone Child, Youth & Family Services gave an overview of the work at her agency. • Lorie Hill, representative of FASworld Canada gave an overview of recent presentation from FASworld to the Bluewater District School Board Learning Resource Teachers. • Jackie Ralph, representative of Canadian Mental Health Association gave an overview of the upcoming events that will be occurring throughout Bluewater District School Board and the changes that the agency is currently undertaking. • Alicia Rosenberg, representative of Bruce Grey Child and Family Services gave an overview of the work of her agency. She also shared that Bluewater District School Board secondary schools have been very welcoming to the Grade 8 students her agency supports. She stated that the secondary school Grade 8 transition nights have been very inviting and supportive to students and families. 	
11. SEAC Communications 11.1 Letter of Support for Upper Grand District School Board 11.2 Question of the Week 12. 3 Social Media (Tweets)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEAC reviewed the draft letter of support for Upper Grand District School Board • Bluewater District School Board's question of the week was discussed. SEAC was encouraged to answer the question of the week. • SEAC members are reminded to send any information they would like posted on Bluewater District School Board's social media to Darlene. 	Information to Darlene
12. Notice of Motion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Notices of Motion. 	
13. Agenda Building 2018-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance Counsellors – February or March 	Agenda item
14. Communications Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter from Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board and Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board SEACs was reviewed. 	
15. Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No other business. 	
16. Adjournment	<p>Moved by: Lorie Hill That the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting adjourn at 10:25 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	