

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC)

October 22, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Bluewater Outdoor Education Centre, Oliphant

SEAC Participants:

Cathy Clarke, Keystone Child, Youth & Family Services; 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

Trustee Members:

Jim Dawson, Jane Thomson (Chair)

Resource Staff:

Wendy Kolohon, Superintendent of Education; Lisa Emke, Learning Services Administrator; Darlene Thomson, Executive Assistant (Recorder)

Absent:

Tracy Lynn Atkinson, Member-at-Large (Vice-Chair); Jennifer Miller, Autism Ontario Grey Bruce; Moira Robertson, Student Senator; Julie Reitzel, Member-at-Large; Sandra Kilby, Keystone Child, Youth & Family Services; Marlene Webb, Community Living, Walkerton and District

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION / DECISION / ACTION	FOLLOW UP Oct. 22, 2018
1. Voices from the Field	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEAC was given a tour of the Outdoor Education Centre facilities. 	
2. Welcome and Acknowledgement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jane Thomson welcomed everyone. 	
3. Approval of Agenda	<p>Moved by: Cathy Clarke That the Agenda for October 22, 2018 of the Special Education Advisory Committee be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	
4. Approval of Minutes	<p>Moved by: Jackie Ralph That the Minutes for September 25, 2018 of the Special Education Advisory Committee be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	
5. Business Arising from the Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No business arising. 	
6. Student Voice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report. 	
7. Superintendent Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wendy Kolohon, Superintendent of Education gave an overview of the work performed by learning services student support staff. Clarification regarding positions and referral for services were given. 	Send PowerPoint to SEAC
8. Trustees Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jim Dawson, Trustee, gave an overview of the recent board meeting. He mentioned the new builds that are occurring in Bluewater District School Board. Jane Thomson, Trustee, spoke to the reorganization of the schools in Kincardine and Port Elgin and the upcoming public meetings. She mentioned the provincial consultation on education survey and encouraged SEAC to participate. Go to https://www.ontario.ca/page/for-the-parents for more information and to complete the survey. 	
9. Member(s) Update and Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cathy Clarke, representative of Keystone Child, Youth and Family Services gave an overview of the work at her agency. Jackie Ralph, representative of Canadian Mental Health 	Note change of name of association

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	Association, Grey Bruce Branch Mental Health and Addiction Services gave an overview of staff changes with her agency.	
10. Letter of Nomination for Appointment to SEAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEAC members were reminded that a nomination letter from their association is required for the upcoming four year term of the board. 	Send nomination information to members unable to attend meeting
11. IEP/IPRC Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEAC recommends forming a SEAC sub-committee to discuss the IEP/IPRC processes. 	Add update to next meeting
12. SEAC Communications 12.1 Question of the Week 12. 2 Social Media (Tweets)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEAC suggests the question, "Are you aware of what the board Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) does?" 	Send social media information to Darlene
13. Notice of Motion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Notices of Motion. 	
14. Agenda Building 2018-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mental Health – December Potential meeting at Owen Sound District Secondary School in May. 	Check availability of location
15. Communications Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter from Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board regarding special education funding was discussed. Wendy spoke to the impact for Bluewater District School Board regarding the changes in special education funding. 	
16. Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No other business. 	
17. Adjournment	<p>Moved by: Jim Dawson That the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting adjourn at 11:10 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>	