

ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, October 15, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Catholic Education Centre, Wallaceburg – Ursuline Room

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Community Living Wallaceburg	Derek McGivern
Community Living Chatham-Kent	Steve Stokley
Epilepsy Support Centre	Deanna Henry
VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children	Kathy Arcuri-Arnott
Down Syndrome Association – Lambton County	Kim D’Hooghe
Lambton County Developmental Services	
Learning Disabilities Association – Chatham Kent	Clare Latimer
Autism Ontario – Chatham-Kent Chapter	Tracey Haddy
Trustees	Brenda Rumble Michelle Parks
Principal Representatives	Cynthia Blair Colleen Cogghe Ed Freeburn Stacy Shepley
Board Advisors	Lisa Demers Brendan Deery Janet Boyle Chris Preece Lisa Thompson-Power Sara Vadovic

Guests – **Jessica Constancio**-Children’s Treatment Centre; **Mark Bernard**, Principal-Holy Family; **Rick Baggio**, Vice Principal-UCC; **Cindy Boyd**, Principal-St. Joseph-Tilbury; **Sherrie Daudlin**, Principal-Good Shepherd; **Lisa Walker**, Principal-Christ the King; **Joanne McCreery**, Principal-St. Philip; **Daniela Mezzatesta**, Principal-Holy Trinity; **Luana Sfalcin**, Principal-St. John Fisher; **Christine Lambert**, Principal-St. Peter Canisius.

Regrets:

Absent: Derek McGivern, Deanna Henry,

Brenda Rumble
SEAC Chairperson

Lisa Demers
Board Advisor

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Welcome & Opening Prayer
- B. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION BY Kathy Arcuri-Arnott and seconded by Steve Stokley to adopt the agenda.

- C. Review of Minutes from January

MOTION BY Kathy Arcuri-Arnott and seconded by Kim D'Hooghe to accept the minutes from the September 17, 2018 meeting.

CARRIED

2. **PRESENTATIONS**

A. School Climate Data

Chris Preece

- Each principal has been given their three reports (parent, staff and student feedback).
- Comparison chart provided to Principals - 2016 results and 2018 results.
- Portions of the School Climate Data were shared through a Prezi presentation.
- The areas shared at SEAC include – Use of Technology, Sense of Belonging, Safety, Top Three Issues that Impact Student Wellbeing (according to students, parents and staff), Overall Health Body and Mind.
- Next steps were shared for the 2020 survey. Some of these next steps are to shorten the survey, looking at measurables, and giving careful consideration to what really needs to be measured.
- The School Support Wellbeing Team infographic was shared outlining the upstream approach the team is taking as well as the statistics from the team's intervention.

B. Lexia Introduction

Joan Martell, Hollie Sparling, Shae-Lyn McLean

- Lexia is an evidence-based reading program that closes the gap for students who are significantly below grade level.
- It has been proven to be particularly successful for students with learning disabilities.
- Provincial demonstration schools are using Lexia.
- Lexia collects real time, comprehensive data. The data gathered is in-depth and outlines next steps for each individual student.
- Lexia covers the six areas of reading instruction. It begins with oral language and listening comprehension, building to reading comprehension.
- There are three integral components for optimum student results. These include: targeted weekly minutes based on the student's level, Skill Builders (based on each student's data/needs), and Targeted Resources for Teacher-led instruction (if below 90 percent accuracy consistently).
- Lexia Power Up will be coming for grades 6,7 and 8. There will be training for our classroom teachers for this program.

3. **ASSOCIATION REPORTS**

A. Community Living Wallaceburg

Derek McGivern

- No report

B. Community Living Chatham-Kent

Steve Stokley

- No report

- C. Epilepsy Support Centre**
- No report
- D. VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children** **Kathy Arcuri-Arnott**
- N/A
- E. Down Syndrome Association – Lambton County** **Kim D’Hooghe**
- Hosting a play night as a fundraiser in Lambton County on November 9th.
 - Flyer to be sent to Brendan and then shared with SEAC members
- F. Lambton County Developmental Services**
- N/A
- G. Learning Disabilities Association – Chatham Kent** **Clare Latimer**
- Stats sent to Lisa Demers today
- H. Autism Ontario – Chatham-Kent Chapter**
- Chatham Chapter hosting a workshop on November 10th at Studio 1
 - Info to be sent to Brendan to be shared with SEAC members
- Tracey Haddy**
- 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**
N/A
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
N/A
- 6. INFORMATION ITEMS**
- A. September and October PA Days** **Janet Boyle**
- September 26th – EAs were re-certified with BMS and the other half of the day was spent on completing Health and Safety modules
 - October 26th – Meg Soper is a motivational speaker coming to present to CUPE members
- B. Self-Regulation Conference** **Sara Vadovic**
- Twelve staff sent to the conference. The focus of the conference was on Self-Regulation and reframing behavior to consider “stress behavior”. Educator tools and strategies were shared.
- C. Enrichment Program** **Lisa Thompson-Power**
- The Enrichment Opportunity is held at both UCC and St. Patrick’s High Schools.
 - There are approximately 22 students at each site.
 - The students range in age from grade 5 thru grade 8.
 - We meet four times per year at each site – in October, November, February and April.
 - School board staff teach the students two of the days at each site and Secondary school staff teach the students two of the days.
 - On our enrichment days, students now in high school come back and visit us in the program.
 - Many of the students from enrichment attend our Catholic Secondary Schools.
 - Students participate in many activities while at the Enrichment Opportunity. Activities can be in Mathematics, Language Arts, Sciences, Communications, Arts, Drama, Coding, Hearing Awareness, etc.
- 7. REPORTS FROM THE BOARD**
Brenda Rumble shared that the only update is that there is a meeting next week

8. QUESTIONS ASKED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

n/a

9. FUTURE MEETING DATES

November 19, 2018

January 14, 2019

March 25, 2019

May 13, 2019

December 17, 2018

February 11, 2019

April 8, 2019

June 10, 2019

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

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11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Kathy and seconded by Clare to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 pm.

CARRIED