

1. Call to Order – 1:15 pm

2. Attendance:

<i>North Bay</i>	<i>South River</i>	<i>Parry Sound</i>
Louise Sargent Tammy Allan Lisa Paradis Sue Wilson Alice Barnett Sharon Walker Alan Bottomley Roslyn Bowness Barb Laverock		Carol Stevens

Regrets: Wayde smith, Linda Sarginson, Kim Gignac, Teryn Booth

Excused:

Absent:

Guests:

3. Approval of Agenda – December 15, 2016 as amended.

Moved – Alan Bottomley
Seconded – Tammy Allan
Carried. No Conflict of interest

4. Approval of Minutes:

November 17, 2016
Moved – Barb Laverock
Seconded – Louise Sargent
Carried.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes	
Reflections	
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Financial Presentation	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2016-17 budget was passed in the spring with funding for special education no changes to the budget as presented in the spring. Wende Proulx, Manager of Finance shared the audited financial statements for 2015-2016 Confirmed that the number of Education Assistants across the board has remained constant 	

- Some increased expenditures consistent with collective agreements

Finalize SEAC annual agenda

- Added to the January agenda is a review of an IEP for a behavior exceptionality
- An IBI presentation will be explored for January
- Community Living presentation will be in April
- The LDAO presentation is scheduled for March

Update on Mental Health Strategy

- Mental Health Lead, Susan Lessard will join the meeting in January
- Discussed mental health promotion
- All schools have teachers trained in the “Mind Up” program which is an evidence based program
- Schools are reporting the benefit of this program
- The committee reviewed a handout on all the Board’s mental health services
- Roslyn reviewed an electronic referral system to help streamline students to appropriate programs. The intake committee meets once a month
- Trends and patterns can be tracked through this program
- Community partners receive additional referrals when more appropriate to the demonstrated need

MACSE information update

- Nothing to update at this time

Membership review

- There are two interested families in the west

Chair report

- Information items such as workshops and resources are to be sent directly to Melanie Simmonds for the SEAC Package
- Potential agenda items should be sent to Sharon by the Friday before the meeting

Gifts for speakers

- Ideas for gifts will be discussed at January’s meeting

Book Review – Lost and Found – Chapter 3

- Postponed to January’s meeting

Standing Items

Amalgamation and Accommodation Review

Board Report

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Capital Plan has been presented to the Board which includes a potential ARC to consider consolidating 3 elementary schools and the three high schools in North Bay • This still has to follow process and be passed by the board. <p>Special Education Report</p> <p>Roz started with a response to questions around school specific situations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A reminder that it is not SEAC’s role to address school specific situations • Often reports or narratives heard do not have the full context • Privacy legislation must be followed • Training can be offered to help committee members to provide responses to questions or reports of situations in schools or classrooms • The Special Education Report is included in the SEAC package • Discussed the three professional development sessions dedicated to deeper learning about students with Learning Disabilities as math learners that occurred for elementary and secondary principals and vice-principals. 	
New Business	Action
Correspondence	Action
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Items for next Agenda	Action
<p>Book review –Chapter 3 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair Sample IEP – review and discuss behavior exceptionalities IBI presentation MACSE minutes (if available)</p> <p>Standing Items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correspondence received requiring action 2. Amalgamation and Accommodation Review 3. Special Education Plan 4. Special Education Budget 5. Question period 	

Next meeting date: January 19, 2017

Adjourned at: 3:47pm. Moved: Alan Bottomley
Seconded: Barb Laverock