

1. Call to Order – 1:15 pm

2. Attendance:

<i>North Bay</i>	<i>South River</i>	<i>Parry Sound</i>
Louise Sargent Kim Gignac Susan Wilson Roslyn Bowness Lisa Paradis Alan Bottomley Harry Fry Jarrah Coolidge Barb Laverock Wayde Smith	Candy St. Onge	

Regrets: Sharon Walker, Carol Stevens, Tammy Allan

3. Approval of Agenda:

November 15th, 2018

Moved – Louise Sargent

Seconded – Alan Bottomley

Carried. No Conflict of interest

4. Approval of Minutes:

October 18th, 2018

Moved – Candy St. Onge

Seconded- Louise Sargent

Carried.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

Financial Updates

- The special education and support services over budget expenditure amount for the 2017-2018 year is similar to last years.
- The special education deficit becomes part of the bigger picture in order to maintain special education levels.
- Special education expenditures are completed as part of year end with both elementary and secondary expenditures reported in the financial statements.
- Discussed SESI – Special Education System Investment funding and how this allowed an increase in elementary teachers of 2.50 and 1.0 in secondary.
- Staffing levels overall were maintained from last year.
- Reviewed the budgets relating to instructional supplies, staffing, SEA claims and equipment.

Action

- The special education envelope is protected and must be spent within this envelope. Anything put in deferred revenue can only be pulled out for this specific purpose.
- Vic Fedeli is making an announcement today on funding for the Province so hopefully will know more what that will mean for the education sector.
- Discussed how school boards no longer manage benefits and the migration process from board to provincial benefits and the associated costs to this.
- Discussed SIP funding per claim increasing originally for the 2018-2019 school year from \$27,000 to \$38,000 to assist in the support of an FTE of 2 or more educational assistants. This benchmark was to increase until August 24th Ministry Memo of Funding Updates was released, which has put funding back to \$27,400 a claim.
- Benchmarks for SEPPA have slightly increased that supports all students with special education needs. Declining enrolment affects this funding. The Board also used to receive an external grant for ASD, but nothing has surfaced for this year.
- Revised estimates are due next month.
- Liz will come back in January with any updates to the 18/19 revised estimates.
- The audited financial statements will be brought to the Board's audit committee on November 19th and then a recommendation will be given to approve the statements at the November Board meeting.

Multi-disciplinary approach & Mobile Teams

- Discussed the tiered model
- Tier Once strategies (necessary for some but good for all) reviewed
- Understanding our students is key.
- Focus on whole school approach, supported by system expertise
- Laurie Forth is currently working alongside Principals to support Tier 1 strategies, research and monitoring.
- A mobile team approach is in place based on evidence based practice mirroring partnership with One Kids Place in the Transition to School Program.
- Supports an early intervention approach.
- A Multi-Disciplinary Approach includes leads representative of, special education, mental health lead, psychology and speech language
- The team meets regularly to collaborate around an intentional support plan for complex needs

Book Study

- *The Whole-Brain Child* by Daniel Siegel and Tina Bryson.
- Chapter 2
- Discussed the "typical" brain.
- There are a range of social and emotional strategies.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brain development and self-regulation links. • Strategies are evidence based. • Some interest as expressed in understanding promising practices connected to literacy as a potential agenda item at SEAC <p>Board Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Al and Louise hope to continue on the Board's SEAC Committee. Trustees are sworn in on December 4th and will decide on committee placements after that. 	
Standing Items	
Items for next Agenda	Action
<p>SEAC annual agenda for the year (finalize) MACSE minutes (if available) Book Review – Chapter 3 Confirm which exceptionality IEP to review – Physical Ministry Updates</p> <p>Standing Items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correspondence received requiring action 2. Capital Plan and Accommodation Review 3. Special Education Plan 4. Special Education Budget 5. Question Period 	

Next meeting date: December 13, 2018

Adjourned: 3:11 pm

Moved: Alan Bottomley
Seconded: Barb Laverock