

**1. Call to Order – 1:15 pm**

**2. Attendance:**

<i>North Bay</i>	<i>South River</i>	<i>Parry Sound</i>
Harry Fry Kim Gignac Louise Sargent Roslyn Bowness Tracy Hanzlik Barb Laverock Albina Lavictoire Lisa Paradis Susan Wilson Lisa Collins	Stephanie Zacharuk Lisa Rogers	Robin McDonald

**Regrets:** Sharon Walker, Wayde Smith, Nichole King, Chris Guillemette, Alan Bottomley, Candy St. Onge, Laura Hansman

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

**November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

*Moved – Louise Sargent*

*Seconded – Barb Laverock*

*Carried. No Conflict of interest*

**4. Approval of Minutes:**

**October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

*Moved – Albina Lavictoire*

*Seconded- Louise Sargent*

*Carried.*

**5. Business Arising from the Minutes**

**Financial Report**

- Wende Proulx, Manager of Finance reported on the 2018-2019 special education financials of revenues and expenditures.
- Reflected on the \$416,000 over expenditures.
- Although the Local Priorities Funding(LPF) increased last year, it expired in August 2019 and it is not anticipated to be brought back, at this time.
- The LPF was used in prior years to mitigate layoffs.
- There was an overall increase in expenditures including an increase in FTEs through funding to support a multidisciplinary approach.
- Discussed the SEA and ABA funding sitting in deferred revenue which is to be spent this school year.

Action

### **EQAO highlights**

- It is a snapshot in time.
- The data is used alongside other sources of data
- There are small gains being made in reading and writing.
- It demonstrates how best practices are making a difference.
- Prioritizing SEA equipment – discussion around technology as an accommodation.
- Math levels are consistent with provincial trends.

### **Special Education Support – Roles & Resources**

- Sue reviewed the special education departments listed on the [www.nearnorthschools.ca](http://www.nearnorthschools.ca) site; Attendance Counsellors, Behaviour, Counselling services, Hearing Resource program, Psychology, Speech & Language and the Vision Resource Program.
- The Board has hired a 1.0 Certified Behaviour Analyst utilizing funding from the Behaviour Expertise Amount.
- Ongoing initiatives are: Collaborative Problem Solving and Applied Behaviour Analysis.
- A video collection is available to parents to help explain frequently asked questions.

### **SEAC nomination letters**

- Members were asked to go back to their organizations and have them provide a nomination letter for this year (2019-2020).
- This letter can be sent to Melanie.

### **Board report**

- The Ministry Advisors will meet with SEAC on November 25<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.
- There will be two public meetings; one in the North Bay Board room on November 27<sup>th</sup> from 7pm-9pm and one at Parry Sound High School on November 28<sup>th</sup> from 7pm – 9pm.
- The annual Board Organizational Meeting takes place on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Capital planning**

- The 3-2 Secondary committee is currently meeting. The goal is to have the necessary program decisions needed for course selection by the end of November.
- Roz to circulate to the committee a copy of the letter going out to parents in our system classes regarding the 3-2. There are two clear and comprehensive pathways.

### **Special education report**

- Available in the SEAC package.
- Organized by areas of priority; better understanding students with learning disabilities as mathematics

<p>learners, enhancing skills in ABA, supporting students with challenging behaviour and the Ontario Special Needs Strategy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multi-disciplinary team is in place</li> <li>• Mobile team – 8-week placements</li> <li>• After School Skills Development Programs(ASSDP) – enhancing skills in students with ASD – in development</li> </ul>	
<b>Standing Items</b>	
<b>Items for next Agenda</b>	<b>Action</b>
<p>SEAC annual agenda for the year – finalize  MACSE minutes (if available)  Confirm which exceptionality IEP to review  Update – Ministry Updates</p> <p>Standing Items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Correspondence received requiring action</li> <li>2. Capital Plan and Accommodation Review</li> <li>3. Special Education Plan</li> <li>4. Special Education Budget</li> <li>5. Question Period</li> </ol>	

**Next meeting date:** December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Adjourned: 2:38pm

Moved: Louise Sargent  
Seconded: Barb Laverock