

1. Call to Order – 1:17 pm

2. Attendance via TEAMS online meeting platform

Harry Fry (Chair)	Roslyn Bowness
Stephanie Zacharuk	Susan Wilson
Kimberley Gignac	Tracy Hanzlik
Barb Laverock	
Laura Hansman	
Lisa Paradis	
Louise Sargent	

Regrets: Nichole King, Alan Bottomley, Albina Lavictoire, Chris Guillemette, Candy St. Onge

3. Approval of Agenda:

June 18th, 2020

Moved – Stephanie Zacharuk

Seconded – Tracy Hanzlik

Carried. No Conflict of interest

4. Approval of Minutes:

May 21st, 2020

Moved – Stephanie Zacharuk

Seconded- Louise Sargent

Carried.

Budget updates

- Boards are awaiting the GSN's including the technical paper, access to EFIS and various funding memos.
- Each department has been building preliminary budgets in preparation for the release of the GSN.
- The Special education department has completed all draft operational budgets in line with the established SEAC priorities.
- Any updated information will be shared with the SEAC committee as the budget process is finalized.

School Consolidation Updates

- W.J. Fricker and Widdifield schools will be closing at the end of June 2020. Construction for the new W.J. Fricker JK-6 will take place during the 2020-2021 school year.
- The pathways for students in special education classes have been communicated with parents, and IPRC's have been taking place throughout the spring.
- A guidance teacher will be available throughout the summer to support students and parents with the 3-2 transition.
- Construction is proceeding currently with health protocols in place. Updates will be brought back to the committee at the September meeting.

Ministry Updates

- The Board is awaiting direction from the Ministry on what the fall is going to look like.
- Funding has been received for the continuity of learning over the summer. Special education supports and social and emotional learning are included in the elementary program.
- Mental health supports will continue through the summer. Messaging on what this will look like will be circulated to families along with community service supports.
- The Ministry has released funding for transition activities. Programs/activities will be focused on high needs. Transition planning will include in-person and virtual approaches depending on reopening restrictions at that time.

Planning for Summer Learning Opportunities

- Planning includes three components: ongoing mental health supports, support for summer learning and summer school.
- Summer learning is taking place for three weeks in July and the registration is voluntary. A “backpack” tool is used to get information and resources to students following all health care protocols. Participating students will have access to an iPad with the LTE phone plan. The focus will be on literacy, numeracy and Social Emotional Learning.
- Funding has been received for transition supports which will take place the last two weeks before school start up. These supports are geared towards students with high needs in special education and mental health. Meetings have taken place with special education teachers and DLRT’s.

Annual Agenda Setting

- The annual agenda chart was circulated to the committee.
- Presentations vary each year and can take place each month. This year the committee reviewed the roles/resources available in the central special education department. The group reviewed the exceptionality of vision impaired and had Laura Hansman present, representing the community agency VIEWS.
- Webinars continue for staff focusing on early primary literacy and oral language development. This may be a possible presentation in the fall.
- The committee will continue to update the agenda when more information is known in September.

Correspondence received

- Discussion around Boards sending letters of support for Northern representation on MACSE as we have done in the past.

Board Report

- Schools have worked hard and creatively on graduation celebrations for students in this new environment.
- 3-2 Secondary school consolidation is continuing to move forward on schedule.
- The Board is waiting for the release of the GSN’s.

Special education plan

- The motion to accept the special education plan for 2019-2020 is a part of the June Board meeting package.

Special education report

- The committee received a summary report of what took place from April to June in the SEAC package.

- Any updated information will be circulated to the committee over the summer.

Standing Items

Items for next Agenda

SEAC annual agenda and goals
SEAC schedule for the year
Board's PD day plans for the year
MACSE information (if available)
Ministry communications/PPM
Membership review
Update – Special education staffing and programs

Standing Items:

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: September 17th, 2020

Adjourned: 2:15pm

Moved: Stephanie Zacharuk
Seconded: Laura Hansman