

**1. Call to Order – 1:17 pm**

**2. Attendance via TEAMS online meeting platform**

Harry Fry (Chair)	Roslyn Bowness
Chris Guillemette	Stephanie Zacharuk
Kimberley Gignac	Susan Wilson
Barb Laverock	Alan Bottomley
Laura Hansman	Albina Lavictoire
Lisa Paradis	Candy St. Onge
Louise Sargent	

**Regrets:** Nichole King, Tracy Hanzlik

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

**May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

*Moved – Alan Bottomley*

*Seconded – Louise Sargent*

*Carried. No Conflict of interest*

**4. Approval of Minutes:**

**April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

*Moved – Albina Lavictoire*

*Seconded- Alan Bottomley*

*Carried.*

**Special Education Plan**

- Five areas in the plan that change on a yearly basis: IPRC new referrals and reviews, special education staff, staff development, accessibility of school buildings and the SEAC committee information.
- The full plan is posted on the Board's website.
- The number of new IPRC's are slightly lower for this year. No further assessments could be completed after the school closure.
- The committee reviewed the special education staff changes.
- Staff development looked a little different this year due to the work to rule landscape in November and subsequent school closures due to COVID.
- Staff are proceeding with IPRC Reviews in distanced formats.
- Special Education teachers are working on transitions and transportation for next year.
- A modified portability form is available for parents wanting to borrow SEA equipment much like what happens in some situations during summer months.
- Any changes to the SEAC committee contact list can be sent to Melanie.

**Motion:** That the Special Education Plan 2019 - 2020 be approved as amended and forwarded to the Near North District School Board with recommendation for approval.

Moved by: Louise Sargent

Seconded by: Laura Hansman

## **Continuity of Learning**

- The government has recently announced that schools will remain closed for the rest of the year.
- Schools continue to provide curbside pick-up for special education equipment and technology.
- Individual Education Plans continue to be implemented in this virtual environment.
- 3-2 consolidation is moving forward and IPRC reviews are taking place preparing students for their move from Widdifield to Chippewa or West Ferris.
- Psych assessment debriefs are taking place virtually.
- A TIP sheet for staff was sent out from the behaviour team to help support teachers and parents.
- The Mental Health team have supports in place virtually and are connecting with students regularly.
- A series of webinars are being made available to staff to help support their students and families during these times.

### **Update on Budget and Budget Processes**

- The Ministry has not released the GSN for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Staff are working on draft recommended budgets.
- SEAC priority recommendations have gone forward to the Board.

## **Correspondence received**

- LDAO information was circulated to the committee.
- Another Board has sent a letter to the Minister of Education around considering a Northern representative at MACSE and virtual attendance at meetings. The NNDSB has sent a similar letter in the past. A copy of the letter will be circulated to the committee.

## **Capital planning and accommodation**

- 3-2 consolidation is on schedule.

## **Board Report**

- Trustee representatives communicated that they are very pleased with the creativity of staff and community partners that are making the best of this situation and working hard to help meet the needs of our students.

## **Special education report**

- A report will be included in June's meeting package.

## **Standing Items**

### **Items for next Agenda**

SEAC annual agenda and goals for 2020-2021  
Review MACSE information (if available)  
Update – Special Education supports

#### Standing Items:

1. Correspondence received requiring action
2. Capital Plan and Accommodation Review
3. Special Education Plan
4. Special Education Budget
5. Question Period

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**Next meeting date:** June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Adjourned: 2:15pm

Moved: Alan Bottomley  
Seconded: Candy St. Onge