



CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF EASTERN ONTARIO

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MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING Monday, May 31st, 2021 Microsoft Teams – 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Present:

<u>SEAC Members:</u>	<u>Board Resource Staff:</u>
Sue Wilson (Chair), Trustee	Heather Gerber, Superintendent of School
Amanda Banfield (Vice Chair), Lanark County Support Services	Effectiveness
Karen McAllister, Trustee	Renee Rozon, Principal of Special Education
Karen Moore, Open Doors for Lanark Children and Youth	Heather Bovey, Coordinator of Special
Rob More, Rural FASD Support Network	Education
Tom Jordan, Family and Children's Services of Lanark, Leeds and Grenville	Kariane Schinzel, Administrative Assistant to Heather Gerber
Shelley More, Rural FASD Support Network (Alternate)	
<u>Approved Regrets with notification:</u>	<u>Guests:</u>
Deena Shorkey, Cornwall Community Hospital	Bonnie Norton, Associate Director of Education & Treasurer
	Ashley Hutchinson, Manager of Finance
	Trudy Scott, President, CUPE
	Rhonda Peterson, CUPE
	Lorraine Boyer, Parent, Pope John Paul II and St. Francis Xavier CHS, Hammond

Welcome, Introductions and Roll Call

Sue Wilson (Chair) called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed all members and guests.

Roll Call

Absent: Deena Shorkey, Cornwall Community Hospital

Land Acknowledgement

Superintendent Gerber said the Land Acknowledgement.

Opening Prayer

Principal Rozon led the group in a prayer entitled, “*Heavenly Father*”.

I. Approval of Amended Agenda

Moved by: Karen Moore

CARRIED

II. Sharing May 12th, 2021 Minutes

SEAC minutes were electronically approved on May 20th, 2021.

Motion:

To receive minutes as presented.

Moved by: Tom Jordan

CARRIED

III. Presentation: Funding / Staffing – Bonnie Norton and Ashley Hutchinson

Associate Director Norton thanked SEAC and Chair Wilson for their patience waiting for the proposed budget to be presented. The GSNs did not come out until May 8th, 2021, so it was a tight timeline to prepare the proposed budget for the 2021-2022 school year. Associate Director Norton acknowledged all the hard work on the Finance Department’s part.

With collaboration they were able to balance the Special Education envelope. The Special Education funding categories were shared indicating the amounts available for the 2021-2022 school year. Ashley Hutchinson also shared the expenditures. The Department was able to add a new ABA Expertise Professional and an Itinerant ABLE Worker (IAW). Detailed information was forwarded to SEAC in a PowerPoint and in the Programs and Services Model/Special Education Funding of the annual report.

The Board of Trustees will review the draft budget on June 8th, 2021. On June 14th, SEAC will have the opportunity to motion a recommendation that the Report to the Ministry of Education on the Provision of Special Education Programs and Services – June 2021 be shared with the Board of Trustees. On June 15th, the Board of Trustees will receive the recommendation to consider approval of the Report to the Ministry of Education on the Provision of Special Education Programs and Services – June 2021 to go forward to the Ontario Ministry of Education.

IV. Report to the Ministry of Education on the Provision of Special Education Programs and Services – June 2021

Revisions were shared in the following sections:

- Section II – Programs and Services Model/Special Education Funding
- Section VIII – Special Education Staff
- Section X – Equipment
- Section XV – Special Education Advisory Committee

V. Correspondence Received

- Letter from Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic DSB – Support for Bill 172
- Letter from Renfrew County Catholic DSB – Support for Bill 172

VI. Motion to Excuse Regrets Received

Motion:

Motion to excuse Deena Shorkey, Cornwall Community Hospital.

Moved by: Karen McAllister

CARRIED

VII. Next SEAC Meeting

The next meeting of the CDSBEO Special Education Advisory Committee will be held virtually on Monday, June 14th, 2021, starting at 6:00 p.m.

VIII. Good News Sharing

Members and guests shared items of good news from across our eight counties.

IX. Closing Prayer

Principal Rozon led the group in the CDSBEO Board Prayer.

X. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Moved by: Tom Jordan

CARRIED

CDSBEO SEAC Quorum Tracking

	Trustee / Chair	Trustee	Rural FASD Support Network	Lanark County Support Services	Cornwall Community Hospital	Open Doors for Lanark Children and Youth	Family and Children Services of Lanark, Leeds and Grenville	Assoc. for Community Living *Resigned September 30 th , 2020	Member-at-Large (vacant)	Total
August 26 th , 2020	P	P	P	P		P				5
September 30 th , 2020	P	P	P		P	P				5
October 28 th , 2020	P	P	P	P		P				5
Nov 25 th , 2020 – Meeting #1	P	P	P	P	P		P			6
Nov 25 th , 2020 – Meeting #2	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			7
January 27 th , 2021	P	P	P	P	P		P			6
March 3 rd , 2021	P	P	P	P	P		P			6
March 31 st , 2021	P	P	P			P	P			5
April 21 st , 2021	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			7
May 12 th , 2021	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			7
May 31 st , 2021	P	P	P	P		P	P			6

*New 4-year term of office effective December 1st, 2018.
 (4 members are required to be in attendance in order to reach Quorum)*