MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017
PUBLIC SESSION

PRESENT:

Marilyn Taylor, Chair
Ashleigh Molloy, Vice Chair – by teleconference
Rosanna Del Grosso
Sandra Mastronardi
Tyler Munro
Giselle Romanino
Mary Pugh
Raul Vomisescu
Glenn Webster

Trustees A. Andrachuk
A. Kennedy
G. Tanuan – by teleconference

Staff R. McGuckin
C. Fernandes
A. Coke
M. Kokai
D. Reid
P. Stachiw

S. Harris, Recording Secretary
K. Eastburn, Assistant Recording Secretary
1. **Roll Call and Apologies**

Apologies were tendered on behalf of Dario Imbrogno, John MacKenzie and Gizelle Paine who were unable to attend the meeting.

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

MOVED by Trustee Andrachuk, seconded by Ashleigh Molloy, that Item 6a) SEAC Orientation be deferred to the September 13, 2017 SEAC Meeting.

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Mary Pugh, seconded by Ashleigh Molloy, that the Agenda, as amended to include the Addendum, a Verbal Update from Rosanna Del Grosso regarding Association Report and a Miscellaneous Item from Sandra Mastronardi, be approved.

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

3. **Declarations of Interest**

Trustee Kennedy declared an interest in Item 6b) 2017-18 Budget Estimates as her family members are employees of this Board. Trustee Kennedy indicated that she would neither vote nor participate in the discussion of this item.
4. **Approval and Signing of the Minutes of the Meeting Held on April 12, 2017 for Public Session**

MOVED by Giselle Romanino, seconded by Tyler Munro, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 12, 2017 be approved with an amendment to change the name *Hugh* to *Pugh* on Page 3.

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Kennedy left the meeting due to a Declaration of Interest, as earlier indicated.

5. **Presentations**

MOVED by Giselle Romanino, seconded by Tyler Munro, that Item 6b) be adopted as follows:

6b) **2017-18 Budget Estimates** – Received.

The Motion was declared

CARRIED
13. Inquiries and Miscellaneous

There was an inquiry from Sandra Mastronardi regarding Autism Funding.

MOVED by Sandra Mastronardi, seconded by Rosanna Del Grosso, that staff come back with a report on whether or not the program to assist with social thinking could be expanded to the secondary panel.

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

Trustee Kennedy returned to the meeting.

9. Communications

MOVED by Ashleigh Molloy, seconded by Glenn Webster, that Item 9a) be adopted as follows:

9b) SEAC Monthly Calendar Review – received.

The Motion was declared

CARRIED
MOVED by Mary Pugh, seconded by Ashleigh Molloy, that Item 9b) be adopted as follows:

9b) **Special Education Superintendent Update May 2017** – received.

The Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Mary Pugh, seconded by Trustee Andrachuk, that Item 9c) be adopted as follows:

9c) **Special Education Parent Handbook** – received.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Trustee Tanuan, that email addresses for all SEAC members be included in the Special Education Parent Handbook.

Results of the Vote taken on the Amendment, as follows:

**In Favour**

Trustee Kennedy
Trustee Tanuan
Rosanna Del Grosso
Sandra Mastronardi
Tyler Munro
Mary Pugh

**Opposed**

Trustee Andrachuk
Raul Vomisescu
Glenn Webster
MOVED by Mary Pugh, seconded by Trustee Andrachuk, that SEAC recommend to the Board of Trustees that all schools be required to have a paragraph in their first newsletters of the school year with a link to the Special Services webpage and to state that parents who are unable to access the site could speak with the Principal or visit the Toronto Public Library.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Rosanna Del Grosso, seconded by Sandra Mastronardi, that the information should be included in the September and January newsletters.

The Amendment was declared CARRIED
The Motion, as amended, was declared  

CARRIED

MOVED by Trustee Andrachuk, seconded by Sandra Mastronardi, that Item 9d) be adopted as follows:

9d)  **Secondary School Safe Procedures Report** received and that each school community implement a process to communicate the attendance procedures to families with students attending ISP classes in order to continue to ensure student safety.

The Motion was declared  

CARRIED

MOVED by Giselle Romanino, seconded by Mary Pugh, that Item 9e) be adopted as follows:

9e)  **Verbal Update on Changes to ISP Classes** – received.

The Motion was declared  

CARRIED
MOVED by Trustee Andrachuk, seconded by Giselle Romanino, that Item 9f) be adopted as follows:

9f)  **Gifted Programs** – received.

MOVED in AMENDMENT by Trustee Kennedy, seconded by Rosanna Del Grosso, that the Superintendent of Education review the status of the recommendation that was made to the Board of Trustees and bring back that information to the next SEAC meeting.

The Motion was declared

**CARRIED**

MOVED by Sandra Mastronardi, seconded by Rosanna Del Grosso, that Item 9g) be adopted as follows:

9g)  **Pro Grant** - received.

The Motion was declared

**CARRIED**

MOVED by Trustee Andrachuk, seconded by Giselle Romanino, that Item 9h) be adopted as follows:

The Motion was declared CARRIED

13. Miscellaneous

Sandra Mastronardi informed the meeting that she was now a member of the Special Education Committee with the Archdiocese.

17. Adjournment

MOVED by Giselle Romanino, seconded by Trustee Andrachuk, that the meeting adjourn.

The Motion was declared CARRIED

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SECRETARY         CHAIR

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