

OUR MISSION

*The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.
We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.*

OUR VISION

*At Toronto Catholic we transform the world
through witness, faith, innovation and action.*



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE PUBLIC SESSION

HELD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2019

PRESENT:

Trustees: N. Crawford, Acting Chair
D. Di Giorgio

External

Members: Sandra Mastronardi, Vice-Chair
Melanie Battaglia
Lori Ciccolini
Lori Mastrogiuseppe
Tyler Munro
Mary Pugh – via Teleconference
George Wedge

Staff:

D. Koenig
L. Maselli-Jackman
P. De Cock (for Item 6a)
V. Cocco
A. Coke
M. J. Gendron
M. Hanlon
R. Macchia
J. Mirabella
D. Reid
P. Stachiw

S. Harris, Recording Secretary
S. Tomaz, Assistant Recording Secretary

External A. Robertson, Parliamentarian

The meeting commenced with Sandra Mastronardi in the Chair.

Sandra Mastronardi relinquished the Chair to Trustee Crawford.

1. Roll Call & Apologies

Apologies were extended on behalf of Trustee Kennedy, Gizelle Paine and Glenn Webster.

2. Approval of the Agenda

MOVED by Sandra Mastronardi, seconded by George Wedge, that the Agenda, as amended to include Inquiries: Items 13a) From Sandra Mastronardi regarding Courtesy Seating in Transportation; 13b) From Tyler Munro regarding Graduation Rates for Secondary Special Education Students; and 13c) From George Wedge regarding Temporary Accessibility Device and Process to Convert it to a Permanent Fixture, and to reorder Items 10c) Inquiry from Melanie Battaglia regarding Ministry Enrollment Register on Exclusion 2018-2019; and 10g) Parent Voice Survey regarding Students Receiving Special Education Programs and Services prior to Item 10a) Inquiry from Tyler Munro regarding Special Equipment Amount (SEA) Claims, be approved.

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

3. Declarations of Interest

There were none.

4. Approval & Signing of the Minutes of the Meeting

MOVED by Melanie Battaglia, seconded by Lori Mastrogiuseppe, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held May 15, 2019 be approved.

Mary Pugh disconnected via Teleconference at 7:21 pm.

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

Mary Pugh reconnected via Teleconference at 7:22 pm.

6. Presentations

MOVED by George Wedge, seconded by Lori Mastrogiuseppe, that Item 6a) be adopted as follows:

6a) 2019-20 Budget Estimates received.

Trustee Di Giorgio left the table at 7:35 pm and returned at 7:37 pm.

Trustee Di Giorgio left the table at 7:56 pm and returned at 7:57 pm.

Time for business expired and was extended by 15 minutes by unanimous consent, as per Article 12.6.

George Wedge left the table at 8:15 pm and returned at 8:17 pm.

Time for business expired and was extended by an additional 15 minutes by unanimous consent, as per Article 12.6.

On the Vote taken, the Motion of Receipt was declared

CARRIED

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

6b) Mental Health Strategy received.

Time for business expired and was extended by 15 minutes by unanimous consent, as per Article 12.6.

Mary Pugh disconnected from the meeting via Teleconference at 9:06 pm.

On the Vote taken, the Motion of Receipt was declared

CARRIED

The Chair declared a 10-minute recess.

The meeting continued with Trustee Crawford in the Chair.

The attendance list remained unchanged.

Consent and Review

The Chair reviewed the Order Paper and the following Items were held:

- 9f) Sandra Mastronardi;
- 9g) Sandra Mastronardi;
- 9h) Tyler Munro;
- 9i) Melanie Battaglia;
- 10c) Melanie Battaglia;
- 10g) Sandra Mastronardi;
- 10a) Tyler Munro;
- 10b) Tyler Munro;
- 10d) Tyler Munro;
- 10e) Tyler Munro;
- 10f) Tyler Munro;
- 13a) Sandra Mastronardi;
- 13b) Tyler Munro;
- 13c) George Wedge; and
- 14a) Tyler Munro

MOVED by Tyler Munro, seconded by George Wedge, that the Items not held be received.

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

ITEMS AS CAPTURED IN THE ABOVE MOTION

- 9a) SEAC Monthly Calendar Review;
- 9b) Special Education Superintendent Update;
- 9c) District School Board Ontario North East Letter to Minister Lisa Thompson on Autism Funding Model;
- 9d) Peel District School Board Letter to Minister Lisa Thompson on Special Education Funding; and
- 9e) Durham Catholic School Board Letter to Minister Lisa Thompson on Special Education Funding

9. Communications

MOVED by Tyler Munro, seconded by George Wedge, that Item 9f) be adopted as follows:

- 9f) Award Presentation to Marilyn Taylor at Year-End Mass, June 26, 2019 at 11:00 am (Verbal) received.**

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Sandra Mastronardi, seconded by Tyler Munro, that Item 9g) be adopted as follows:

- 9g) Special Education Checklist (Verbal) that SEAC recommend to Board that a process be laid out for a module-by-module consultation of the Special Education plan with SEAC, beginning at the start of the new 2019-20 school year and leading up to the completion of the checklist in 2020.**

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by George Wedge, seconded by Sandra Mastronardi, that Item 9h) be adopted as follows:

- 9h) Special Education Plan (Verbal)** received.

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by George Wedge, seconded by Lori Mastrogiuseppe, that Item 9i) be adopted as follows:

- 9i) Update to the SEAC Policy A.23 from the GAP Committee** received with the following amendments:

Page 180, Regulation 6, 2nd line: add a space between *process* and *for*;

Page 179, Add Regulation 4b): *that Alternate Members will receive Agendas*;

Page 181, Regulation 11: add *and Vice-Chair* after *Chair* and add at the end: *at the December SEAC meeting*;

Page 183, iii, 2: add */organic brain injury*; and

Page 185, Physical, add *c) Deaf and Hard of Hearing*.

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

Sandra Mastronardi left the table at 10:42 pm and returned at 10:45 pm.

10. Matters Referred/Deferred to the Committee by the Board and Other Committees

From the May 15, 2019 SEAC Meeting

MOVED by Melanie Battaglia, seconded by Tyler Munro, that Item 10c) be adopted as follows:

- 10c) Inquiry From Melanie Battaglia regarding Ministry Enrollment Register on Exclusion 2018-2019** received.

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by George Wedge, seconded by Sandra Mastronardi, that Item 10g) be adopted as follows:

- 10g) Parent Voice Survey regarding Students Receiving Special Education Programs and Services** that the recommendation from Board to form a working Committee for the Parent Voice Survey regarding Special Education Programs and Services be adopted, and that the Committee be struck at the September 18, 2019 SEAC meeting.

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

MOVED by Sandra Mastronardi, seconded by Tyler Munro, that the following Items be deferred to the September 18, 2019 meeting:

- 10b) Inquiry from Tyler Munro regarding Classroom Windows;
- 10f) Responses to Concerns Raised by Delegations to the March 19, 2019 Special Board Meeting on Special Education;
- 13c) Inquiry from George Wedge regarding Temporary Accessibility Device and Process to Convert it to a Permanent Fixture; and
- 14a) Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO) June Circular

With the consent of the Committee, the following Items were withdrawn:

- 10a) Inquiry from Tyler Munro regarding Special Equipment Amount (SEA) Claims;
- 10d) Inquiry from Tyler Munro regarding Special Needs Advanced Program;
- 10e) Inquiry from Tyler Munro regarding the gap in the IEP Process;
- 13a) Inquiry From Sandra Mastronardi regarding Courtesy Seating in Transportation; and
- 13b) Inquiry from Tyler Munro regarding Graduation Rates for Secondary Special Education Students

17. Adjournment

MOVED by Tyler Munro, seconded by Trustee Di Giorgio, that the meeting be adjourned.

On the Vote taken, the Motion was declared

CARRIED

SECRETARY

CHAIR