

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2015**

PUBLIC SESSION

PRESENT:

M. Taylor, Chair
R. Del Grosso
D. Imbrogno
J. MacKenzie
S. Mastronardi
M. Pugh - Teleconference
G. Romanino
M. Taylor
G. Webster

Gary Poole
Paul DeCock
Anne Marie Cassin
John Wilhelm
P. Stachiw
S. Menary
A. Coke
Linda Maselli-Jackman
Don Reid
Odilia Pariselli
Rachelina Macchia

Lalita Fernandes, Recording Secretary
G.Mak

MOVED by John Mackenzie and Giselle Romanino, that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

CARRIED

Julie Mazzuca-Peter, representing the Association of Professional Student Services Personnel (APSSP), addressed the Committee regarding budget cuts to Special Education.

MOVED by Glen Webster, seconded by Sandra Mastronardi, that the presentation by Julie Mazzuca-Peter, representing the Association of Professional Student Services Personnel (APSSP) regarding the Budget Deficit Reduction Report be received.

CARRIED

MOVED by Dario Imbrogno, seconded by John Mackenzie, that based on careful consideration and needs analysis, SEAC recommends to the board that no further reductions be made to Special Education and that not only should current funding be sustained but an increase be considered to meet the augmented needs of students in the TCDSB with Special Education requirements.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Rosanna Del Grosso, seconded by Dario Imbrogno, that item 10b) be adopted as follows:

10b) Special Education Budget

1. SEAC recommends to the Board that the Ministry be asked why they are forcing funding cuts on Special Education when they are still going through the ministry review.
2. SEAC recommends to the Board that the Ministry be asked why the funds are being re-distributed.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Sandra Mastronardi, seconded by Giselle Romanino that SEAC recommends that the Board provide the Committee with results of the survey and copies of presentations from the delegations.

CARRIED.

MOVED by John Mackenzie, seconded by Giselle Romanino, that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED.

SECRETARY

CHAIR