



Waterloo Catholic
District School Board

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SEAC Committee Meeting Minutes

Date & Time:	Wednesday, May 24, 2017 6:30 pm
Location:	Boardroom, C.E.C.
Next Meeting:	Wednesday, June 7, 2017
Committee Members: Jeanne Gravelle, Irene Holdbrook, Bill Conway, Rhonda Ruetz, Kim Murphy, Zina Bartolotta, Christine Zaza, Richard Gough, Stuart Cross	
Administrative Officials: Laura Shoemaker, Gerald Foran	
Regrets: Christine Goodeve, John Gilbert	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening Prayer Welcome 	B. Conway
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Agenda Motion by: Jeanne Gravelle Seconded: Bill Conway 	
<p>3. Declared Pecuniary Interest Nil</p>	
<p>4. Approval of the Minutes April 5, 2017 Minutes Motion by: Jeanne Gravelle Seconded: Richard Gough</p>	
<p>5. School System Operational Business Jeanne Gravelle opened the meeting by informing SEAC that Laura Shoemaker and Amanda Warne received on behalf of the board the Jordan James Pickell Award from the Mood Disorder Society. 5.1 Special Education Budget Raf Wyszynski introduced the Budget Report book which is a good source of information and on the board website for all to view.</p>	<p>J. Gravelle</p> <p>R. Wyszynski</p>



<p>Budgets comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Budget is a long process, starting with a budget report book this year• Budget preparation; consultation; decision making; analysis and reporting; presentation and then filing with Ministry of Education• 2017-2018 budget is \$256.1 million• Enrolment trends are watched; we are growing significantly which means additional funding• Special Education revenue for 2016-17 was \$29.1 million and for 2017-18 it is \$30.3 million• The board is receiving a \$2.4 million enhancement which will applied to add more staff at the elementary and secondary level• The board has been increasing the special education staff and decreasing the special education deficit• A question and answer period followed the presentation <p><i>A motion to recommend to the Board of Trustees that 2017-2018 budget pertaining to Special Education Program and Services be approved:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Motion by: Zina Bartolotta</i> <i>Seconded: Richard Gough</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Carried by consensus.</p>	
<p>6. Ministry Updates 6.1 Nil</p>	
<p>7. SEAC Committee Functions</p> <p>7.1 PAaC on SEAC Effective Practices Handbook Associations and development of WCDSB SEAC protocols deferred to June.</p> <p>7.2 Special Education Plan</p> <p>Laura Shoemaker walked through all the changes and updates that have occurred to the Special Education Plan 2017. A short question and answer period followed the presentation.</p> <p><i>A motion to recommend to the Board of Trustees that Special Education Plan 2017 be approved as presented at the May 24, 2017 SEAC meeting:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Motion by: Christine Zaza</i> <i>Seconded: Kim Murphy</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Carried by consensus.</p> <p>7.3 Pro Grant Summary The Chair thanked Jeanne for being the lead in the Pro Grant Event on April 20th. It was a success due to her leading the event and her hard work and dedication to it.</p> <p>Jeanne thanked everyone for their help on the night of the event which was a huge success.</p> <p>Christine informed SEAC of the ratings from the evaluations the participants and overall it was 4.8 out of 5.0. Attendees loved D.J. Cunningham, the free food, the</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">L. Shoemaker</p> <p style="text-align: center;">J. Gravelle</p>

