

**SIMCOE COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING - WEDNESDAY, SEPTMEBER 24, 2014**

**A G E N D A**

**NOTE: PUBLIC SESSION will commence at 6:00 P.M., followed immediately by the COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE in CLOSED SESSION (GEORGIAN ROOM). PUBLIC SESSION will resume AT 7:00 P.M (ROY EDWARDS ROOM).**

**PUBLIC SESSION**

- A.**
- (1) Roll Call
  - (2) Approval of Agenda
  - (3) Approval of Minutes
    - (a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held August 27, 2014
  - (4) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

**CLOSED SESSION**

- B.** Committee of the Whole
1. Personnel Matters
  2. Property Matters
  3. Legal Matters

**PUBLIC SESSION**

- C.**
- (1) Report from Student Trustees
  - (2) Delegations - Nil
  - (3) Presentations - Nil

**D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION**

- (1) Report from the Closed Session of the Board in Committee of the Whole
- (2) Matters Arising from Previous Meeting:  
Motion(s) for which notice was given at previous Board Meeting - Nil
- (3) Notice of Time Sensitive Motions from Statutory Committees - Nil
- (4) Committee Minutes/Reports - Items for Decision
  - (a) Report of the Business and Facilities Standing Committee Meeting held September 3, 2014
- (5) Staff Reports – Items for Decision
  - (a) Election Compliance Audit Committee

(6) Committee Minutes/Reports - Items for Information

- (a) Report of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting held June 2, 2014
- (b) Report of the Human Resources Standing Committee Meeting held September 10, 2014
- (c) Report of the Program Standing Committee Meeting held September 10, 2014

(7) Staff Reports - Items for Information

- (a) Trustee Medical Leave

**E. OTHER MATTERS**

- (1) Reports from Liaison Members
- (2) Notices of Motion for next meeting
- (3) Questions and Proposals from Trustees
- (4) Professional Development Seminars Attendance
- (5) Reports/Update from Staff
- (6) Correspondence - Nil

**F. FUTURE BUSINESS OF THE BOARD, STANDING COMMITTEES AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

Business and Facilities Standing Committee Meeting – October 1, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

- Georgian Room

Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting – October 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

- Georgian Room

Human Resources Standing Committee Meeting – October 8, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

- Georgian Room

Program Standing Committee Meeting – October 8, 2014 following Human Resources

Standing Committee Meeting – Georgian Room

Parent Involvement Committee Meeting – October 21, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. – Georgian Room

Regular Meeting of the Board – October 22, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., followed immediately by the Committee of the Whole in Closed Session (Georgian Room), Public Session will resume at 7:00 p.m. (Roy Edwards Room)

Years of Service Reception – October 28, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. – Roy Edwards Room

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

**SIMCOE COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2014**

<b>REPORT</b>	<b>FYI</b>	<b>Decision Req.</b>	<b>MOTION</b>
			Call Meeting to order. Roll Call
		√	That the agenda be approved as printed.
A-3-a Board Minutes August 27, 2014		√	That the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held Wednesday, August 27, 2014 be approved as printed.
			Declaration of Conflicts of Interest
<b>MOTION</b>		√	That we go into Closed Session of the Committee of the Whole
<b>PUBLIC SESSION</b>			
C-1			Report from Student Trustees
C-2 Delegations			Nil
C-3 Presentations			Nil
D-1		√	Report from the Closed Session of the Board in Committee of the Whole
D-4-a Business & Facilities September 3, 2014		√	(1) That the Board approve the Joint Use Agreement renewals, as set out in APPENDICES A-K of Report No. BF-D-1, Joint Use Agreement Renewals – Various Municipalities, dated September 3, 2014.
		√	(2) That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 2150, Trustee Honorarium, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. BF-D-2, Revisions to Policy No. 2150, Trustee Honorarium, dated September 3, 2014.
		√	(3) That the Board approve the name, Simcoe Alternative Secondary School, as the name of the new alternative school, as set out in Report No. BF-D-3, Naming of the New Alternative Learning Secondary School, dated September 3, 2014.
		√	(4) That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 3250, Volunteers in Schools, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. BF-D-4, Revisions to Policy No. 3250, Volunteers in Schools, dated September 3, 2014.
D-5-a Election Compliance Audit Committee		√	That the Board approve an Election Compliance Audit committee for the 2014 election term, consisting of the individuals, as set out in Report No. D-5-a, Election Compliance Audit Committee, dated September 24, 2014.
D-6-a SEAC – June 2, 2014	√		
D-6-b Human Resources September 10, 2014	√		
D-6-c Program Meeting September 10, 2014	√		
D-7-a Trustee Medical Leave	√		

E-1 Reports from Liaison Members			
E-2 Notices of Motion for Next Meeting			
E-3 Questions and Proposals from Trustees			
E-4 Professional Development Seminars Attendance			
E-5 Reports/Update from Staff			
E-6 Correspondence			Nil
Future Business			
Adjournment		√	Motion to Adjourn

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the  
Simcoe County District School Board

FROM: The Secretary

SUBJECT: **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD HELD AUGUST 27, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Simcoe County District School Board was held on Wednesday, August 27, 2014 at the Education Centre.

**A. (1) Roll Call**

**PRESENT:**

**Trustees** Donna Armstrong, Peter Beacock (Chairperson), Nicole Black, Debra Edwards, Suzanne Ley, Michele Locke (Vice-chairperson), Krista Mayne, Robert North, Caroline Smith, Christine Williams.

**ELECTRONIC  
Participation**

Jodi Lloyd.

**REGRETS  
Trustee**

Amanda Monague.

**PRESENT:**

**Student Trustees** Maya Burhanpurkar, Carly Gardiner, Twesh Upadhyaya.

**Recording Secretary** Lena Robyn.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**(2) Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Donna Armstrong  
Seconded by Robert North

That the Agenda be approved as printed

CARRIED

**(3) Approval of Minutes**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held June 17, 2014 (A-3-a)**

Moved by Robert North  
Seconded by Krista Mayne

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held Wednesday, June 17, 2014 be approved as printed.

CARRIED

**(4) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest - Nil**

**B. Committee of the Whole**

Moved by Krista Mayne  
Seconded by Suzanne Ley

That the Board move into Committee of the Whole in Closed Session at this time.

CARRIED

The Public Session of the Board re-convened at 8:00 p.m.

Chairperson Beacock welcomed new Student Trustees Maya Burhanpurkar, Carly Gardiner and Twesh Upadhyaya.

- C. (1) Report from the Student Trustees - Nil  
(2) Delegations - Nil  
(3) Presentations - Nil

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION**

**(1) Report from the Closed Session of the Board in Committee of the Whole**

Report from the Closed Session of the Board in Committee of the Whole from August 27, 2014:

(1)  
Moved by Caroline Smith  
Seconded by Christine Williams

***#BP-2014-08-27-66***

That the Board approve the school administrator appointments, as set out in Report No. CL-B-2-a, School Administrator Appointments, dated August 27, 2014.

CARRIED

Due to a conflict of interest in Closed Session, Trustee Edwards abstained from voting on the above motion.

(2)  
Moved by Michele Locke  
Seconded by Nicole Black

***#BP-2014-08-27-67***

That the Board authorizes OPSBA to act as the Board's agent for the purposes of provincial discussions on central terms and conditions of employment for Principal/Vice-Principal Associations. In English Public School Boards, this is the Ontario Principals Council, (District 17 OPC), as set out in Report No. CL-B-2-b, OPSBA-P/VP Provincial Discussion Resolution, dated August 27, 2014.

Trustee Smith requested a recorded vote at this time.

**YEAS**

Donna Armstrong  
Peter Beacock  
Nicole Black  
Suzanne Ley  
Michele Locke  
Krista Mayne  
Christine Williams

**NAYS**

Debra Edwards  
Jodi Lloyd  
Robert North  
Caroline Smith

CARRIED

(3)

Moved by Christine Williams  
Seconded by Suzanne Ley

**#BP-2014-08-27-68**

That the Board approve the acquisition by expropriation of Part of 1851 Mapleview Drive, Part of PIN No. 58092-0048, City of Barrie, formerly the Town of Innisfil, County of Simcoe for the purposes of a public secondary school and related improvements, as set out in Report No. CL-B-2-c, South Barrie Secondary School Site Expropriation, dated August 27, 2014.

CARRIED

(4)

Moved by Robert North  
Seconded by Christine Williams

**#BP-2014-08-27-69**

That the Board approve that the Director of Education is authorized, empowered and directed to take all steps necessary to comply with the Expropriation Act, and to complete this expropriation including but not limited to, the execution of the Certificate of Approval, the preparation and registration of an Expropriation Plan, the preparation of a land appraisal, and to execute and have served, the Notice of Expropriation, Notice of Election, Notice of Possession, Offer of Compensation and Appraisal, and any other action required to implement this expropriation, as set out in Report No. CL-B-2-c, South Barrie Secondary School Site Expropriation, dated August 27, 2014.

CARRIED

(5)

Moved by Suzanne Ley  
Seconded by Robert North

**#BP-2014-08-27-70**

That the Board approve APPENDIX B of Report No. CL-B-2-d, dated August 27, 2014.

CARRIED

(2) **Matters Arising from Previous Meeting:**

**Motion(s) for which notice was given at previous Board meeting** - Nil

(3) **Notice of Time Sensitive Motions from Statutory Committee** – Nil

(4) **Committee Minutes/Reports – Items for Decision** - Nil

(5) **Staff Reports – Items for Decision**

Schedule of Board Meetings (D-5-a)

(1,2,3)

Moved by Donna Armstrong

Seconded by Nicole Black

(1)

**#BP-2014-08-27-71**

That the Board approve the rescheduling of the December Board meeting from Wednesday, December 24, 2014 to Wednesday, December 17, 2014, as set out in Report No. D-5-a, Schedule of Board Meetings, dated August 27, 2014.

(2)

**#BP-2014-08-27-72**

That the Board approve the rescheduling of the January Board meeting from January 28, 2015 to January 21, 2015, as set out in Report No. D-5-a, Schedule of Board Meetings, dated August 27, 2014.

(3)

**#BP-2014-08-27-73**

That the Board approve the rescheduling of the June Board meeting from Wednesday, June 24, 2015 to Wednesday, June 17, 2015, as set out in Report No. D-5-a, Schedule of Board Meetings, dated August 27, 2014.

CARRIED

(6) **Committee Minutes/Reports – Items for Information** - Nil

(7) **Staff Reports – Items for Information** - Nil

E. **OTHER MATTERS**

(1) Reports from Liaison Members - Nil

(2) Notices of Motion for next meeting - Nil

(3) Questions and Proposals from Trustees

Trustee Edwards requested an update on the construction of OD/Park Street Secondary School. Superintendent Dance indicated that progress is continuing to be made on the construction of the school.

Trustee Lloyd reported that the province would be providing funding for a new school on the Cumberland Beach property and thanked staff for their work in securing the funding.

Trustee North requested an update on the repairs to Nottawasaga Pines Secondary School which received damage during a tornado which took place in June. Superintendent Dance indicated that most of the work has been completed and that the school is fully functional.

Chairperson Beacock attended the Director's Meeting earlier today and stated that it was an excellent meeting which was focussed on the use of technology to support learning and teaching.



Chairperson Beacock noted that the international plowing match will be occurring in our county near Ivy and that there would be opportunities provided for our students that would have connections to the curriculum.

Chairperson Beacock also informed trustees that he has been invited by MPP Garfield Dunlop to meet with him on August 29th, along with the Director and the Vice-chairperson to discuss educational issues. Garfield Dunlop is the current education critic for the Progressive Conservatives. Chairperson Beacock will provide trustees with a summary of the meeting at a later date.

(4) Professional Development Seminars Attendance - Nil

(5) Reports/Update from Staff

Director Wallace welcomed everyone back for the upcoming school year and indicated that the administrators are very excited to start.

Last week Director Wallace had the opportunity to visit Ernest Cumberland Elementary School which has already begun their school year and visited our newest elementary school in Alliston Union which will open on September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

(6) Correspondence - Nil

**F. FUTURE BUSINESS OF THE BOARD, STANDING COMMITTEES  
AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

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Business and Facilities Standing Committee Meeting – September 3, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.  
Georgian Room

Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting – September 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.  
Georgian Room

Human Resources Standing Committee Meeting – September 10, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.  
Georgian Room

Program Standing Committee Meeting – September 10, 2014, following Human  
Resources Standing Committee Meeting

Regular Meeting of the Board – September 24, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., followed immediately  
by the Committee of the Whole in Closed Session (Georgian Room), Public Session will  
resume at 7:00 p.m. (Roy Edwards Room)

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Moved by Suzanne Ley  
Seconded by Krista Mayne

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

CARRIED

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the  
Simcoe County District School Board

FROM: Business and Facilities Standing Committee

SUBJECT: **REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SESSION OF THE BUSINESS AND  
FACILITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014**

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The Business and Facilities Standing Committee met in Public Session on Wednesday, September 3, 2014, at the Education Centre.

**PRESENT:**

**Committee Members** Donna Armstrong, Peter Beacock, Nicole Black, Suzanne Ley, Jodi Lloyd (Chairperson), Michele Locke, Krista Mayne, Robert North (Vice-Chairperson).

**Student Trustees** Maya Burhanpurkar, Carly Gardiner, Twesh Upadhyaya.

**Administration** John Dance, Stuart Finlayson, Brian Jeffs, Jackie Kavanagh, John Legere, Janis Medysky, Paula Murphy, Chris Samis, Anita Simpson, Paul Sloan, Kathryn Wallace.

**REGRETS:**

**Committee Members** Debra Edwards, Amanda Monague, Caroline Smith, Christine Williams.

**Recording Secretary** Lorraine Ryder.

Chairperson Lloyd called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**Approval of the Agenda**

**MOTION**

Moved by Suzanne Ley  
Seconded by Michele Locke

That the agenda be approved as printed.

CARRIED

**Declaration of Conflicts of Interest** - Nil

**MOTION**

Moved by Krista Mayne  
Seconded by Peter Beacock

That the Business and Facilities Standing Committee move into closed session.

CARRIED

The Business and Facilities Standing Committee reconvened in public session at 8:05 p.m.

*Student trustee Twesh Upadhyaya entered the meeting at this time.*

**Presentations/Delegations** - Nil

**Items for Decision**

**1. Joint Use Agreement Renewals – Various Municipalities (BF-D-1)**

John Dance, Superintendent of Facility Services provided an overview of the report which outlined the Joint Use Agreements between the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) and various municipalities. The various agreements were entered into between January 2007 and November 2013, and the renewal terms extend to August 31, 2015. The agreements have been revised to include an automatic renewal clause with the option of either party terminating the agreement with three months' notice.

The agreements will continue to provide SCDSB students with reduced rates for municipal facilities and will continue to allow the municipalities to take advantage of the Community Use of Schools program reduced rental rates.

Moved by Peter Beacock  
Seconded by Robert North

(1)

**#BF-2014-09-03-01**

That the Business and Facilities Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the Joint Use Agreement renewals, as set out in APPENDICES A – K of Report No. BF-D-1, Joint Use Agreement Renewals – Various Municipalities, dated September 3, 2014.

CARRIED

**2. Revision to Policy 2150 – Trustee Honorarium (BF-D-2)**

Brian Jeffs, Superintendent of Business Services provided a summary of the report with the suggested revisions to Policy 2150 – Trustee Honorarium. Boards are required to establish a policy on their new levels of trustee honoraria on or before October 15 of the calendar year in which the term of office begins.

Superintendent Jeffs responded to questions from trustees at this time.

Moved by Michele Locke  
Seconded by Krista Mayne

(2)

**#BF-2014-09-03-02**

That the Business and Facilities Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 2150 – Trustee Honorarium, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. BF-D-2, Revision to Policy 2150 – Trustee Honorarium, dated September 3, 2014.

CARRIED

**3. Naming of the New Alternative Learning Secondary School (BF-D-3)**

Paul Sloan, Superintendent of Education provided an overview of the report which outlined the naming process of the new Alternative Learning Secondary School. After consultation with staff and students at each of the alternative education campuses and further input from a survey posted on the school website, 69% of the students supported the name Simcoe Alternative Secondary School.

Moved by Peter Beacock  
Seconded by Michele Locke

(3)

**#BF-2014-09-03-03**

That the Business and Facilities Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the name, Simcoe Alternative Secondary School, as the name of the new alternative school, as set out in Report No. BF-D-3, Naming of the New Alternative Learning Secondary School, dated September 3, 2014.

CARRIED

**4. Revision to Policy 3250 – Volunteers in Schools (BF-D-4)**

Superintendent Jeffs presented an overview of the report which specified the suggested revisions to Policy 3250 – Volunteers in Schools. Any volunteers who come into direct contact with pupils on a regular basis are required to provide a copy of a Criminal Background Check which includes a Vulnerable Sector screening.

Superintendent Jeffs responded to questions from trustees at this time.

Moved by Michele Locke  
Seconded by Nicole Black

(4)

**#BF-2014-09-03-04**

That the Business and Facilities Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the revisions to Policy 3250 – Volunteers in Schools, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. BF-D-4, Revision to Policy 3250 – Volunteers in Schools, dated September 3, 2014.

CARRIED

**Items for Information**

**1. Renewal of the Simcoe County District School Board Mission Statement and Vision (BF-I-1)**

Kathi Wallace, Director of Education and Alison LaMantia, Manager of Communications, provided an overview of the report which outlined the need to renew the board's mission statement to reflect the innovation occurring in education and to summarize the purpose of the board in a concise, memorable statement. The renewal will also provide an opportunity to outline the vision for the board. Trustees have been asked to provide input on the significant progress that has transpired over the last four years.

Director Wallace and Manager LaMantia responded to questions from trustees at this time.

This report was provided for information.

**2. 2014-2015 Ontario Public School Boards' Association Membership Fee (BF-I-2)**

Superintendent Jeffs provided an overview of the report which summarized the function of the association. The 2014-2015 fee remains unchanged from the prior three years. The Board approved 2014-2015 budget included provision for continued membership in the association.

This report was provided for information.

**Correspondence** – Nil

**Other Matters**

1. Superintendent Dance provided an update on the Orillia replacement secondary school construction timeline. The date for substantial completion of the building of the school is November 27, 2015. The intended time for the school population to move into the new building is at the start of semester two (February 2016).

**Notices of Motion for Next Meeting** - Nil

**MOTION**

Moved by Michele Locke  
Seconded by Nicole Black

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

CARRIED

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That the Board approve the Joint Use Agreement renewals, as set out in APPENDICES A – K of Report No. BF-D-1, Joint Use Agreement Renewals – Various Municipalities, dated September 3, 2014.
2. That the Board approve the revisions to Policy 2150 – Trustee Honorarium, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. BF-D-2, Revision to Policy 2150 – Trustee Honorarium, dated September 3, 2014.
3. That the Board approve the name, Simcoe Alternative Secondary School, as the name of the new alternative school, as set out in Report No. BF-D-3, Naming of the New Alternative Learning Secondary School, dated September 3, 2014.
4. That the Board approve the revisions to Policy 3250 – Volunteers in Schools, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. BF-D-4, Revision to Policy 3250 – Volunteers in Schools, dated September 3, 2014.

**Respectfully submitted by:**

Brian Jeffs  
Superintendent of Business Services

John Dance  
Superintendent of Facility Services

**Approved for submission by:**

Kathryn Wallace  
Director of Education

September 24, 2014

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the  
Simcoe County District School Board

FROM: Superintendent of Business Services

SUBJECT: **ELECTION COMPLIANCE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**1. Background**

Pursuant to Subsection 81 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* (APPENDIX A), the board is required to establish an Election Compliance Committee by October 1, 2014 for the 2014 election (October 27, 2014). All elected bodies are required to establish independent or shared committees to receive and make decisions regarding applications for compliance audits of candidates' 2014 municipal election campaign finances and any by-election campaign finances during the 2014 – 2018 election term. The committee will be comprised of three (3) members of the public, to be appointed for a term that expires November 30, 2018.

The Terms of Reference of the committee is attached as APPENDIX B. Applicants are required to complete an application form, attached as APPENDIX C. Members of the committee will receive a honorarium of \$150.00, and a meeting per diem of \$50.00

**2. Current Status**

The following individuals have made application to serve on the board's Election Compliance Audit Committee for the upcoming term.

- a. Jay Anstey
- b. Glen Cunningham
- c. Chris Edwards

A review of the applications indicates that these individuals meet the Terms of Reference for eligibility to sit on the Election Compliance Audit Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board approve an Election Compliance Audit Committee for the 2014 election term, consisting of the individuals, as set out in Report D-5-a, Election Compliance Audit Committee, dated September 24, 2014.

**Respectfully submitted by:**

Brian Jeffs  
Superintendent of Business

**Approved for submission by:**

Kathryn Wallace  
Director of Education

September 24, 2014

Section 81 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*

## Application

81. (1) An elector who is entitled to vote in an election and believes on reasonable grounds that a candidate has contravened a provision of this Act relating to election campaign finances may apply for a compliance audit of the candidate's election campaign finances. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## Requirements

(2) An application for a compliance audit shall be made to the clerk of the municipality or the secretary of the local board for which the candidate was nominated for office; and it shall be in writing and shall set out the reasons for the elector's belief. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## Deadline

(3) The application must be made within 90 days after the latest of,  
(a) the filing date under section 78;  
(b) the candidate's supplementary filing date, if any, under section 78;  
(c) the filing date for the final financial statement under section 79.1; or  
(d) the date on which the candidate's extension, if any, under subsection 80 (4) expires. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## Application to be forwarded to committee

(4) Within 10 days after receiving the application, the clerk of the municipality or the secretary of the local board, as the case may be, shall forward the application to the compliance audit committee established under section 81.1 and provide a copy of the application to the council or local board. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## Decision

(5) Within 30 days after receiving the application, the committee shall consider the application and decide whether it should be granted or rejected. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## Appeal

(6) The decision of the committee may be appealed to the Ontario Court of Justice within 15 days after the decision is made and the court may make any decision the committee could have made. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## Appointment of auditor

(7) If the committee decides under subsection (5) to grant the application, it shall appoint an auditor to conduct a compliance audit of the candidate's election campaign finances. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## Same

(8) Only auditors licensed under the Public Accounting Act, 2004 or prescribed persons are eligible to be appointed under subsection (7). 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## Duty of auditor

(9) The auditor shall promptly conduct an audit of the candidate's election campaign finances to determine whether he or she has complied with the provisions of this Act relating to election campaign finances and shall prepare a report outlining any apparent contravention by the candidate. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

(10) The auditor shall submit the report to,

- (a) the candidate;
- (b) the council or local board, as the case may be;
- (c) the clerk with whom the candidate filed his or her nomination;
- (d) the secretary of the local board, if applicable; and
- (e) the applicant. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).



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(11) Within 10 days after receiving the report, the clerk of the municipality or the secretary of the local board shall forward the report to the compliance audit committee. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Powers of auditor

(12) For the purpose of the audit, the auditor,

(a) is entitled to have access, at all reasonable hours, to all relevant books, papers, documents or things of the candidate and of the municipality or local board; and

(b) has the powers of a commission under Part II of the Public Inquiries Act, which Part applies to the audit as if it were an inquiry under that Act. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Costs

(13) The municipality or local board shall pay the auditor's costs of performing the audit. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Power of committee

(14) The committee shall consider the report within 30 days after receiving it and may,

(a) if the report concludes that the candidate appears to have contravened a provision of this Act relating to election campaign finances, commence a legal proceeding against the candidate for the apparent contravention;

(b) if the report concludes that the candidate does not appear to have contravened a provision of this Act relating to election campaign finances, make a finding as to whether there were reasonable grounds for the application. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Recovery of costs

(15) If the report indicates that there was no apparent contravention and the committee finds that there were no reasonable grounds for the application, the council or local board is entitled to recover the auditor's costs from the applicant. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Immunity

(16) No action or other proceeding for damages shall be instituted against an auditor appointed under subsection (7) for any act done in good faith in the execution or intended execution of the audit or for any alleged neglect or default in its execution in good faith. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Saving provision

(17) This section does not prevent a person from laying a charge or taking any other legal action, at any time, with respect to an alleged contravention of a provision of this Act relating to election campaign finances. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Compliance audit committee

81.1 (1) A council or local board shall, before October 1 of an election year, establish a committee for the purposes of section 81. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Composition

(2) The committee shall be composed of not fewer than three and not more than seven members and shall not include,

(a) employees or officers of the municipality or local board;

(b) members of the council or local board; or

(c) any persons who are candidates in the election for which the committee is established. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

Term of office

(3) The term of office of the committee is the same as the term of office of the council or local board that takes office following the next regular election, and the term of office of the members of the committee is the same as the term of the committee to which they have been appointed. 2009, c. 33, Sched. 21, s. 8 (44).

## TERMS OF REFERENCE ELECTION AUDIT COMMITTEE

### Name

The name of the Committee is the Simcoe County District School Board Election Compliance Audit Committee.

### Terms of the Committee

The term of the Committee are set out in subsection 81 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended by Bill 212. The Committee will be required to”

- a. review and consider a compliance audit application received by an elector and decide whether it should be granted or rejected;
- b. if the application is granted, appoint an auditor to conduct a compliance audit;
- c. receive the auditor’s report
- d. consider the auditor’s report and if the report concludes that the candidate appears to have contravened a provision of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, relating to election campaign finances, the committee may commence legal proceedings against the candidate for the apparent contravention;
- e. if the report indicates that there was no apparent contravention and the committee finds that there were no reasonable grounds for the application, the council is entitled to recover the auditor’s costs from the applicant.

### Composition

The Committee will be composed of three (3) members, with membership from the following groups:

- a. accounting and audit – accountants or auditors with experience in preparing or auditing the financial statements of municipal candidates;
- b. academic – college or university professors with expertise in political science or local government administration;
- c. legal profession with experience in municipal law, municipal election law or administrative law;
- d. professionals who in the course of their duties are required to adhere to codes or standards of their profession which may be enforced by disciplinary tribunals;
- e. other individuals with knowledge of the campaign financing rules of the *Municipal elections Act, 1996*.

Trustees of the board, employees or officers of the board or any persons who are candidates in the election for which the committee is established are not eligible to be appointed to the Committee, Pursuant to clause 81.1(2) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.

Further, an individual shall be deemed ineligible to be a member of the Committee if they prepare the financial statements of any candidate running for office on the board during the term for which the Committee has been established.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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1. As outlined in the Terms of Reference, I am eligible to be a member of the Simcoe County District School Board's Election Audit Compliance Committee.

Yes  No

2. Do you possess the following;

a. Knowledge of the election process for Simcoe County District School Board's Trustee?

Yes  No

b. Knowledge and understanding of the campaign financing rules in the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*?

Yes  No

c. Experience working on a committee, task force, tribunal?

Yes  No

3. Briefly list the qualifications and experience you have that prepare you for participation on the Election Compliance Audit Committee.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

4. Briefly describe what interests you about being a member of the Election Compliance Audit Committee.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

5. If there is other information that you feel is relevant to your application, please note it here or attach to your application.

[Click here to enter text.](#)

I understand that, if appointed as a member of the Election Compliance Audit Committee, I will be expected to comply with all relevant legislation, including *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Municipal Elections Act, 1996 and Municipal Act.*

I hereby consent  /do not consent  to the release of my contact information to Election Compliance Audit Committee members and associated staff.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Please return this application form to the attention of:**

**The Director of Education  
Simcoe County District School Board  
1170 Highway 26  
Midhurst, ON L0L 1X0**

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the  
Special Education Advisory Committee

FROM: Chairperson of SEAC  
Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: **MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD JUNE 2, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee was held on Monday, June 2, 2014 at the Education Centre.

**A. Roll Call**

**PRESENT:**

**SEAC Members**

Donna Armstrong (Trustee), Susan Clough, Sue Downing, James Hall, Laura LaChance (Vice-Chairperson), Kim Latour, Yana Skybin, Caroline Smith (Chairperson).

**SEAC Alternates**

Kevin Berry, Rose-Ann Marchitto (Acting Member), Ceci Vasoff.

**Staff**

Dr. Bill Colvin, Mike Giffen, Hailey McLean, Janis Medysky, Sally Potts, Chris Samis.

**REGRETS:**

**SEAC Members**

Jodi Lloyd (Trustee).

**ABSENT:**

**SEAC Members**

Arlene McCaw, Sari Russell.

**Recording Secretary**

Tina Bazuk.

Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**(1) Welcome**

(a) Introductions

Chairperson Smith welcomed committee members and staff members and shared regrets for the evening.

(b) SCDSB Special Education Statement of Beliefs

SEAC member Susan Clough read the Statement of Beliefs.

(2) **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Kim Latour  
Seconded by Yana Skybin

That the agenda be approved as written.

CARRIED

(3) **Approval of Minutes**

(a) **Minutes of the Regular SEAC Meeting held May 12, 2014 (A-3-a)**

Moved by Rose-Ann Marchitto  
Seconded by Kim Latour

That the minutes be approved as written.

CARRIED

(b) **Minutes of the SEAC Budget Meeting held April 16, 2014 (A-3-b)**

Chairperson Smith advised SEAC that the Joint Business and Facilities Standing Committee/SEAC Budget meeting minutes have been separated to reflect individual committee meetings. The content remains the same as the minutes approved at Board. The minutes of this meeting were brought to the June 2, 2014 SEAC meeting for review and approval. The April 16, 2014 Joint Business and Facilities Standing Committee/SEAC Budget meeting is considered one of the ten required SEAC meeting, as per legislation.

The Motions carried at the April 16, 2014 were created by consensus.

Moved by Sue Downing  
Seconded by Laura LaChance

That the minutes be approved as written.

CARRIED

**B. Presentations**

(1) **SEAC** - Nil

(2) **Staff**

(a) **Psycho-Educational Assessments (B-2-a)**

Dr. Bill Colvin, Senior Psychologist, provided an overview of psychological services, including a comparison of internal and external psychological services statistics over the past three school years.

In 2013-2014 the Special Education Department implemented a new referral process for assessments. This process involved allocating assessment based on both school population, as well as to Special Education Area Consultants to allow them to prioritize assessments according to the need of the respective areas.

Chris Samis, Superintendent of Education, advised that a posting for a full time equivalent Psychologist or Psychological Associate was posted June 2, 2014 to fill the vacant position which will assist with the increased demand for assessments and other services. Recruitment for Psychologists or Psychological Associates in Simcoe County can be challenging so the posting is open.

Senior Psychologist Colvin provided an overview of the psycho-educational assessment survey. The survey was developed to ensure the effectiveness of assessment services as well as the resulting programming outcomes. The four month follow-up questionnaire focuses on the impact of the findings/recommendations from the psycho-educational assessment report has on the student's learning.

An assessment report feedback session is held at the school and includes the assessor, parent(s)/guardian(s), administrator, special education resource teacher and sometimes the regular classroom teacher.

Superintendent Samis and Senior Psychologist Colvin responded to questions from SEAC at this time.

### **C. Items for Decision**

#### **(a) Proposed 2014-2015 SEAC Meeting Dates (C-a)**

Superintendent Samis provided SEAC members with three different meeting date options for 2014-2015, as per the request from the May 12, 2014 SEAC meeting. The scenarios included SEAC meetings taking place on either the first, second or third Monday's of the month. Traditionally, SEAC meetings have been held the third Monday of each month with the exception of statutory holidays.

After group discussion, it was agreed that the second Monday of the month would be the best option going forward.

### **MOTION**

Moved by Laura LaChance  
Seconded by Sue Downing

That SEAC adopt the second Monday of the month for SEAC meetings in 2014-2015, as set out in REPORT NO. SEAC C-a, Proposed 2014-2015 SEAC Meeting Dates, dated June 2, 2014.

CARRIED

(b) SEAC Brochure (C-b)

Superintendent Samis provided a brief overview of the recommended changes to the SEAC brochure.

Recommended changes include:

- Under “SEAC Meetings” add “meetings are video recorded”;
- Under “SEAC Statement of Beliefs” add “SCDSB” to the title and include the one paragraph intro from the full Statement of Beliefs; and,
- Change the phone number for Catulpa.

Staff will forward link to SEAC members once changes are made and the brochure has been posted.

**MOTION**

Moved by Kim Latour

Seconded by Rose-Ann Marchitto

That SEAC approves the SEAC brochure with the recommended changes, as set out in REPORT NO. SEAC C-b, SEAC Brochure, dated June 2, 2014.

CARRIED

**D. Items for Information**

**(1) SEAC Member Reports**

(a) Association/Agency Updates (D-1-a)

Vice-Chairperson LaChance attended the Canadian Down Syndrome Society conference in Fredericton and participated in two workshops regarding iPad technology and Apps for technology. Information will be sent to Superintendent Samis for review. Superintendent Samis along with other board staff attended an Apple Executive Briefing in May to look at ways that SCDSB can utilize more Apple technology in the Board. Programs and services are changing as all county classes have iPads along with all consultants and vision resource teachers. Further investigation to determine the other benefits is required.

**Autism Ontario – Simcoe County Chapter:**

SEAC Alternate Kevin Berry advised the committee that Susan Clough is stepping down from the role of SEAC member. SEAC members took the opportunity to thank Susan for the many years of dedication, expertise and friendship.

Kevin Berry will step into the role of “Acting Member” until the Board has approves him as a SEAC Member.

(b) SEAC Procedural Information: PAaC (D-1-b)

SEAC Member James Hall provided a brief background on the Provincial Parent Association Advisory Committee (PAaC) on SEAC. The website <http://www.paac-seac.ca/> provides valuable information and resources.

Recently PAaC sent out a survey for SEAC members. The survey will be used to compare against the 2009 survey which gathered valuable information on the effectiveness of SEAC's across the province.

(2) Staff Reports

(a) Deferred Revenue – Spending Update Follow up(D-2-a)

As per the request at the May 12, 2014 SEAC meeting, Superintendent Samis provide an update on the professional development opportunities for educational assistants (EA's) who support students with special education needs.

(b) Proposed County Class Changes for 2014-2015 (D-2-b)

Superintendent Samis provided an update of the proposed county class changes for 2014-2015. As part of the ongoing review of placement and programming of county classes, there will be two fewer Life Skills classes and one additional ASD class in 2014-2015. Staffing changes related to these program changes will be redistributed either within the same school or within the entire system. Changes are as follows:

- Barrie North Collegiate – Decrease by one Life Skills class
- Twin Lakes Secondary School – Decrease by one Life Skills class
- Eastview Secondary School – Increase by one ASD class

Superintendent Samis advised that the County Class Survey is complete and only 5 surveys were completed by SEAC members/Associations. Input from SEAC members regarding re-opening the survey until June 13, 2014 in order to allow members and their respective associations/agencies further time to complete was sought. SEAC members agreed to the re-opening of the County Class Survey. The link will be sent members once re-activated.

Superintendent Samis responded to questions from SEAC members at this time.

**MOTION**

Moved by Rose-Ann Marchitto  
Seconded by Donna Armstrong

That the SEAC meeting continues past 9:00 p.m.

CARRIED



(c) Special Education Plan 2014-2015 (D-2-c)

SEAC members received electronic copies of the Special Education Plan that included recommended changes from the May 12, 2014 SEAC meeting. Additional feedback was provided on June 2, 2014 prior to the SEAC meeting and those recommendations will be reviewed and incorporated into the Special Education Plan prior to going forward to the Program Standing Committee on June 11, 2014.

Superintendent Samis advised that in discussion with the Ministry of Education it was determined that a Minority Report can be included within the Special Education Plan or included as an attachment.

**MOTION**

Moved by Rose-Ann Marchitto  
Seconded by Donna Armstrong

That SEAC support the Special Education Plan, as set out in REPORT NO. SEAC D-2c, Special Education Plan 2014-2015, dated June 2, 2014.

CARRIED

SEAC member James Hall shared the Association for Bright Children (ABC) Simcoe's view on both the timing of the gifted screening and the tool used to identify giftedness. ABC supports earlier identification for giftedness.

Superintendent Samis responded to questions from SEAC members at this time.

(d) Personal Protective Equipment Update (D-2-d)

Chairperson Smith requested an update on Personal Protective Equipment. Superintendent Samis advised that a full report was brought forward to both SEAC and the Program Standing Committee in the Fall of 2013. Report No. PRO-I-1, Consultation and Review of the Use of 'Foam Pads' (Blocker Shields) – Follow-up, dated November 13, 2013.

To date the use of 'Foam Pads' remain status quo with regards to the number of students that have 'Foam Pads' listed in their safety plans and all parents/guardians are aware. The goal is reduce the use of 'Foam Pads' through consultation, professional development and proper programming.

SEAC members requested a follow-up report for Fall 2014 that will include frequency and rationale for the use of foam pads.

Superintendent Samis, Sally Potts, Principal of Special Education responded to questions from SEAC at this time.

(e) Inclusionary Practices – Prom (D-2-e)

Chairperson Smith requested an update on the Gay - Straight Alliance (GSA) Prom in Simcoe County. Superintendent Samis reported that the GSA Prom was about celebrating diversity and the feedback received has been very supportive and positive.

**(3) Committee Reports**

(a) Inclusionary Practices of SCDSB Sub-Committee

Vice-Chairperson LaChance provided a brief update on the discussions taking place in the inclusionary practices sub-committee and thanked Superintendent Samis for his eloquence and openness in answering questions.

Vice-Chairperson LaChance will be forwarding SEAC members a short questionnaire to gain an understanding of thoughts regarding whether SCDSB is inclusionary in all domains.

**(4) Links to Board Reports**

(a) [May 28, 2014 – Board Meeting](#)

**E. Correspondence - Nil**

**F. Other Matters**

1. Superintendent Samis took the opportunity to advise SEAC members of the staffing changes in Special Education for 2013-2014 and thanked staff for their continued support.
  - Hailey McLean will be moving into the Vice-principal role at Innisdale Secondary School;
  - Heidi Cameron-Armstrong will be moving into the Vice-principal role at Huron Park Public School;
  - Brody Wilson will be returning to the regular classroom; and,
  - Susan Harris and Shirley Taylor Banks are retiring.
2. Vice-Chairperson LaChance inquired whether the Joint Business and Facilities/SEAC Budget Meeting would be continuing in the future. Chairperson Smith reiterated that SEAC members did not feel the joint meeting was necessary therefore it will be removed from the calendar. Once the new committee is formed in January then the joint meeting can be revisited.
3. Chairperson Smith advised that 2014-2015 marks a new term for SEAC therefore member association/agencies are required to submit new nomination packages for members and alternates by the end of November 2014. Chairperson Smith and Janis Medysky, Associate Director, are looking at simplifying the process for returning members. SEAC members and alternates were encouraged to forward the packages to different associations/agencies not represented on SEAC.

4. Chairperson Smith reminded SEAC members to forward any agenda items they may have to both Chairperson Smith and Vice-Chairperson LaChance.

**G. Notices of Motion for Next Meeting - NIL**

**H. Adjournment**

Moved by Laura LaChance  
Seconded by Sue Downing

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

CARRIED

The next meeting date is September 8, 2014

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BOARD**

That SEAC support the Special Education Plan, as set out in REPORT NO. SEAC D-2c, Special Education Plan 2014-2015, dated June 2, 2014.

**SEAC PROCEDURAL MOTIONS**

1. That SEAC adopt the second Monday of the month for SEAC meetings in 2014-2015, as set out in REPORT NO. SEAC C-a, Proposed 2014-2015 SEAC Meeting Dates, dated June 2, 2014.
2. That SEAC approves the SEAC brochure with the recommended changes, as set out in REPORT NO. SEAC C-b, SEAC Brochure, dated June 2, 2014.

**Report Status**

This report is provided for information.

**Respectfully submitted by:**

Chris Samis  
Superintendent of Education

**Approved for submission by:**

Kathryn Wallace  
Director of Education

September 24, 2014

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the  
Simcoe County District School Board

FROM: Human Resources Standing Committee

SUBJECT: **REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SESSION OF THE HUMAN RESOURCES  
STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10  
2014**

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The Human Resources Standing Committee met in Public Session on Wednesday, September 10, 2014, at the Education Centre.

**PRESENT:**

**Committee Members**

Donna Armstrong, Peter Beacock, Suzanne Ley, Jodi Lloyd, Michele Locke, Krista Mayne (Chairperson), Robert North, Caroline Smith, Christine Williams (Vice-Chairperson).

**Administration**

John Dance, Stuart Finlayson, Brian Jeffs, Jackie Kavanagh, John Legere, Janis Medysky, Paula Murphy, Chris Samis, Anita Simpson, Paul Sloan, Kathryn Wallace.

**REGRETS:**

**Committee Members**

Nicole Black, Debra Edwards, Amanda Monague.

**Student Trustees**

Maya Burhanpurkar, Carly Gardiner, Twesh Upadhyaya.

**Recording Secretary**

Mary Cannell.

Chairperson Mayne called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. **Approval of the Agenda**

**MOTION**

Moved by Peter Beacock  
Seconded by Michele Locke

That the agenda be approved as printed.

CARRIED

2. **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

Trustee Caroline Smith declared a conflict of interest regarding any discussions concerning ETFO and indicated that she would leave the meeting when these discussions occur.

3. **Presentations/Delegations** - Nil

**MOTION**

Moved by Peter Beacock  
Seconded by Michele Locke

That the Human Resources Standing Committee move into closed session.

CARRIED

The Human Resources Standing Committee reconvened in public session at 6:20 p.m.

**Items for Decision** - Nil

**Items for Information**

**1. Opening School Year Staffing Process (HR-I-1)**

Janis Medysky, Associate Director, provided an overview of the report which outlines the critical dates and process for September staffing. While elementary enrollment numbers appear to be in keeping with projections, there is some variation in where these students are actually registered. HR and principals are working on the reorganizations in order that the new staffing can be released this week and subsequent surplus notices given and vacancies posted.

Secondary enrollment numbers are currently being confirmed and final section allocations are expected to be shared with principals September 19.

Superintendent of Facility Services John Dance provided trustees with enrollment numbers as of Sept. 8, with elementary enrollment at 35,122 students and secondary enrollment at just over 16,000 students.

Associate Director Medysky responded to questions from trustees at this time. At the request of a trustee, Superintendent of Education Jackie Kavanagh agreed to provide information on the staffing process to the Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) at the next meeting.

This report was provided for information.

*Trustee Williams joined the meeting at this time.*

**2. Labour Update (VERBAL)**

Associate Director Medysky confirmed that preliminary bargaining meetings are underway between OPSBA and both OSSTF and ETFO, with bargaining for support staff also due to take place in the next few weeks. These negotiations are to determine what will be bargained at the central table, following which boards will be provided with detailed information to inform local bargaining.

Associate Director Medysky advised trustees that the results of a number of studies will be released in the next few weeks, including Diagnostic Assessment PPM 155; Teacher Professionalism and Workload and Hiring Practices Reg. 274.

This report was provided for information.

**Correspondence** - Nil

**Other Matters** - Nil

**Notices of Motion for next meeting** – Nil

**MOTION**

Moved by Michele Locke  
Seconded by Peter Beacock

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

CARRIED

**Report Status**

This report is provided for information.

**Respectfully submitted by:**

Janis Medysky  
Associate Director

**Approved for submission by:**

Kathryn Wallace  
Director of Education

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the  
Simcoe County District School Board

FROM: Program Standing Committee

SUBJECT: **REPORT OF THE PROGRAM STANDING COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2014**

The Program Standing Committee met in Public Session at the Education Centre on Wednesday, September 10, 2014.

**PRESENT:**

**Committee Members**

Donna Armstrong, Peter Beacock, Suzanne Ley (Chairperson),  
Jodi Lloyd, Michele Locke, Krista Mayne, Robert North,  
Caroline Smith, Christine Williams (Vice-Chairperson).

**Administration**

John Dance, Stuart Finlayson, Brian Jeffs, Jackie Kavanagh,  
John Legere, Janis Medysky, Paula Murphy, Chris Samis,  
Anita Simpson, Paul Sloan, Kathryn Wallace.

**Staff**

Heather Ma, Patrick Miller, Tonya Millsap.

**REGRETS:**

**Committee Members**

Nicole Black, Debra Edwards, Amanda Monague.

**Student Trustees**

Maya Burhanpurkar, Carly Gardiner, Twesh Upadhyaya.

**Recording Secretary**

Mary Cannell.

Chairperson Ley called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Chairperson Ley asked trustees for any additions or changes to the agenda. .

Moved by Peter Beacock  
Seconded by Caroline Smith

That the agenda be approved as printed.

CARRIED

2. **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest** – Nil.

3. **Presentations/Delegations** – Nil.

## **Items for Information**

### **1. New Pedagogies for Deep Learning (NPDL) (PRO-I-1)**

Superintendent of Education Anita Simpson and Principal of Innovation Patrick Miller presented an overview of New Pedagogies for Deep Learning, an international innovation partnership committed to implementing deep learning goals that are enabled by new teaching strategies and accelerated by technology. Superintendent Simpson represents Canada as the Canadian Cluster Lead for NPDL internationally.

Superintendent Simpson described the three-year global project that seeks to join educational stakeholders in a common goal to design learning during a time when access to technology is rapidly transforming education systems around the globe. The NPDL initiative requires students to do more than consume content knowledge, by not only creating new knowledge but also connecting it to the world beyond school using digital technologies.

Thirteen schools in the Simcoe County District School Board, along with Innovation and Technology Hubs, are participating in the NPDL. Professional learning will begin in September, and will include teacher participation in collaborative inquiries to build collective capacity for change, shift practice and improve student learning outcomes.

A video clip from Michael Fullan, Canadian education thought leader, was shared with trustees and provided an introduction to the rationale behind NPDL. A second video clip depicting students from Bradford Public School interacting digitally with a former child soldier from Sierra Leone, demonstrated the power of global digital citizenship in student learning.

Superintendent Simpson and Principal of Innovation Patrick Miller responded to trustee queries and comments related to funding for NPDL, the use of gaming as an educational tool, and the value of sharing information related to the new pedagogies between and among the educational community.

This report was provided for information.

### **2. Welcome to Kindergarten™ Implementation 2013-2014 (PRO-I-2)**

Superintendent of Education Paula Murphy welcomed Heather Ma, Early Years Consultant, Shelley Sweazy, Full-Day Kindergarten (FDK) Teacher, and Caroline Fisker, Designated Early Childhood Educator (DECE) at Assikinack Public School.

Superintendent Murphy shared that through the Learning Partnership, schools have had the opportunity to participate in training and the implementation of the Welcome to Kindergarten™ (WTK) program, which prepares children and their families with a positive start to school. The WTK program includes an orientation for families, a bag of resources for each Junior Kindergarten child, professional learning for educators, and a Family Activity Calendar.

Consultant Ma and Teacher Fisker commented on the involvement of community partners, the value of the children engaging with the learning materials, and the connections that are made between families and school staff through orientation activities.



Superintendent Murphy responded to trustee queries and comments related to funding for the WTK program and advertising the orientation sessions to the community.

This report was provided for information.

**3. Before and After School Programs (PRO-I-3)**

Superintendent Murphy welcomed Tonya Millsap, Child Care Planner, and Sonia Quattrocicchi, Supervisor with York Professional Care and Education. Superintendent Murphy indicated that the expansion of before and after school care programs has resulted in 76 out of 87 SCDSB Elementary schools offering an extended day component through a third-party child care operator this year.

Planner Millsap and Supervisor Quattrocicchi detailed the before and after school programs, which provide students with a seamless extension of their school day by extending aspects of the curriculum and involving current events. Planner Millsap indicated that more than 2400 SCDSB students are currently participating in an extended day program, and that work continues to build on the foundation of partnerships between facilities.

This report was provided for information.

**4. Assistive Technology Summer Camp (PRO-I-4)**

Superintendent of Education Chris Samis provided an overview of the fourth annual assistive technology summer camp that saw 32 students and their parents receive support using specialized learning equipment. Superintendent Samis indicated that approximately 4,000 students use assistive technology (AT) in this board, with programs ranging from Kurzweil 3000, Word Q and Dragon Speaking.

A video clip from CTV News Barrie depicting the AT summer camp illustrated the learning that took place for students and parents. Superintendent Samis indicated that the model of support for AT has changed to a focus on teaching all students in the class as if they are special education learners. Work is underway to write the GLE Learning Skills credit completely on assistive technology.

Superintendent Samis responded to trustee comments related to funding for the AT summer camp and formal assessment for students headed to post-secondary education. Director of Education Kathryn Wallace advised trustees she would bring the matter forward with her Director colleagues at the next meeting. A trustee suggested that special education assessments for graduating students be discussed at a Special Education Advisory Committee meeting.

This report was provided for information.

**5. 2013-2014 Report to the Community (PRO-I-5)**

Director of Education Kathryn Wallace and Manager of Communications Alison LaMantia provided an overview of the annual report to the community, entitled "Better Together". Manager LaMantia shared that this year's report, which showcases some of the many initiatives and programs of the board, includes an increased focus on design. The 2013-2014 report includes items such as Outdoor classrooms, French Immersion, and highlights of the new construction projects.

This report was provided for information.

**Other Matters - Nil**

At the request of a trustee, Superintendent of Education John Legere provided an update on the implementation of the Safe Welcome program in elementary schools. Superintendent Legere indicated that key FOBs have been distributed this week, portables were outfitted over the summer, and that reaction from parents has been supportive overall.

**Notices of Motion for Next Meeting - Nil**

Moved by Krista Mayne  
Seconded by Michele Locke

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

**6. Report Status**

This report is provided for information.

**Respectfully submitted by:**

Anita Simpson  
Superintendent of Education

**Approved for submission by:**

Kathryn Wallace  
Director of Education

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the  
Simcoe County District School Board

FROM: Director of Education

SUBJECT: **TRUSTEE MEDICAL LEAVE**

**1. Background**

On September 3, 2014, the Director and Chairperson of the Board received a letter from Trustee Amanda Monague informing them that she will be on medical leave for three months and will be unable to perform her duties as the First Nation Trustee.

**2. Current Status**

Staff will inform both Beausoleil First Nation and Rama First Nation of this leave and indicate to them that they can contact Superintendent Stuart Finlayson or Chairperson Beacock with any questions or concerns during this time.

**3. Report Status**

This report is provided as information.

**Respectfully submitted by:**

Kathryn Wallace  
Director of Education

September 24, 2014