SIMCOE COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BOARD MEETING – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2016 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) Regular Meeting of the Board held March 2, 2016
 - (b) 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) Trustee Tributes Nil
 - (3) Delegations Nil

D. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

- (1) Report from the Closed Session of the Board in Committee of the Whole
- (2) <u>Matters Arising from Previous Meeting</u>: 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 March 2, 2016
 - (b) Report of the Program Standing Committee Meeting held March 9, 2016
 - (c) Report of the Human Resources Standing Committee Meeting held March 9, 2016
- (5) <u>Staff Reports Items for Decision</u> Nil
- (6) Committee Minutes/Reports Items for Information
 - (a) Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held November 30, 2015
 - (b) Report of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting held February 8, 2016

(7) Staff Reports - Items for Information - Nil

E. <u>OTHER MATTERS</u>

- (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 – April 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. – Georgian Room

Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting – April 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. – Georgian Room

Human Resources Standing Committee Meeting – April 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. – Georgian Room

Program Standing Committee Meeting – April 13, 2016 following HR Meeting – Roy Edwards Room

Parent Involvement Committee Meeting – April 19, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. – Georgian Room Special Business & Facilities Standing Committee Budget Meeting – April 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. – Georgian Room

Regular Meeting of the Board – April 27, 2016 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)

G. ADJOURNMENT

SIMCOE COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PUBLIC SESSION RECOMMENDED ACTION – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2016

| REPORT | FYI | Decision Req. | MOTION |
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| | | | Call Meeting to order. Roll Call |
| | | V | That the agenda be approved as printed. |
| A-3-a Board Minutes March 2, 2016 | | V | That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held Wednesday, March 2, 2016 be approved as printed. |
| | | | Declaration of Conflicts of Interest |
| MOTION | | V | That we go into Closed Session of the Committee of the Whole |
| PUBLIC SESSION | | | |
| C-1 | | | Report from Student Trustees |
| C-2 Presentations | | | Nil |
| C-3 Delegations | | | Nil |
| D-1 | | V | Report from the Closed Session of the Board in Committee of the Whole |
| D-4-a Business & Facilities March 2, 2016 | | V | (1) That the Board approve Georgian Bay District Secondary School as the name for the new school to be established at the current Midland Secondary School site effective September 1, 2016, as set out in Report No. BF-D-1, Naming of the New North Simcoe Secondary School, dated March 2, 2016. (2) |
| | | $\sqrt{}$ | That the Board approve the proposed attendance areas, as set out in APPENDIX E of Report No. BF-D-2, Attendance Area Review 2015:01 – Angus Morrison Elementary School and Pine River Elementary School, dated March 2, 2016. (3) |
| | | $\sqrt{}$ | That the Board approve the implementation of the attendance areas effective September 2016, as set out in Report No. BF-D-2, Attendance Area Review 2015:01 – Angus Morrison Elementary School and Pine River Elementary School, dated March 2, 2016. |

SIMCOE COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD RECOMMENDED ACTION - 2 MARCH 23, 2016

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| D-4-b Program Standing March 9, 2016 | | V | (1) That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4106, Homework, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-1, Revisions to Policy No. 4106, Homework, dated March 9, 2016. (2) |
| | | V | That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4123, Requests to Conduct Non-Board Initiated Research, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-2, Revisions to Policy No. 4123, Requests to Conduct Non-Board Initiated Research, dated March 9, 2016. |
| D-4-c | | | That the Board approve the adoption of Policy No. 3005, Student |
| Human Resources March 9, 2016 | | $\sqrt{}$ | and Staff Well-Being as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. HR-D-1, New Policy No. 3005, Student and Staff Well-Being, dated March 9, 2016. |
| D-6-a | | | dated Waren 6, 2016. |
| Accessibility Mtg November 30, 2015 | $\sqrt{}$ | | |
| D-6-b SEAC - February 8, 2016 | $\sqrt{}$ | | |
| 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 | <u> </u> | | Nil |
| Correspondence | | | |
| Future Business | | | |
| Adjournment | | V | 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 MARCH 2, 2016

The regular meeting of the Simcoe County District School Board was held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at the Education Centre.

A. (1) Roll Call

PRESENT:

<u>Trustees</u> Kathleen Aikins, Donna Armstrong, Peter Beacock (Chairperson),

Jennifer Cameron, Annie Chandler, Wayne Clements,

Donna Da Silva, Jodi Lloyd (Vice-chairperson), Michele Locke,

Krista Mayne.

REGRETS

<u>Trustees</u>_ Pamela Hodgson, Daniel Shilling.

PRESENT:

<u>Student Trustee</u> Drew Campbell, Haley Tyrell.

REGRETS

Student Trustee Nicholas Gulley.

Recording Secretary Lena Robyn.

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

(2) Approval of Agenda

Chairperson Beacock explained that due to the weather conditions, and the Business and Facilities Standing Committee meeting taking place this evening, Public Session of the Board will re-convene immediately following Closed Session for this current meeting only. In order to allow this, trustees are required to suspend the rule under Article II: Regular Board Meetings.

MOTION

Moved by Jennifer Cameron Seconded by Kathleen Aikins

That the Board suspend the rule under Article II: Regular Board Meetings, Item #2 related to reconvening public session.

CARRIED

Moved by Michele Locke Seconded by Jennifer Cameron

That the Agenda be approved as printed.

CARRIED

(3) Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held January 20, 2016 (A-3-a)

Moved by Annie Chandler Seconded by Jennifer Cameron

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held Wednesday, January 20, 2016 be approved as printed.

CARRIED

(4) <u>Declaration of Conflicts of Interest</u> - Nil

B. Committee of the Whole

Moved by Jennifer Cameron Seconded by Krista Mayne

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

CARRIED

Student Trustee Campbell and Tyrell left the meeting at this time.

The Public Session of the Board re-convened at 6:10 p.m.

Student Trustee Campbell and Tyrell entered the meeting at this time.

C. (1) Report from the Student Trustees

Student Trustee Haley Tyrell attended the Ontario Student Trustees' Association Conference in February in Ottawa. The participants discussed how to keep their passion alive as their term comes to an end.

Student Trustee Drew Campbell reminded the table that they intended to use Google Hangouts with the Student Senate to get more students involved. They are working through Student Council Advisors at each secondary school.

- (2) Trustee Tributes Nil
- (3) <u>Delegations</u> 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 March 2, 2016.

Moved by Michele Locke Seconded by Jennifer Cameron

#BP-2016-03-02-08

That the Board ratify the collective agreement reached with the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) and its Local 330 for the term September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2017, as set out in Report No. CL-B-2-a, Board Ratification of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union, (OPSEU) and Its Local 330 Agreement, dated March 2, 2016.

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) <u>Committee Minutes/Reports Items for Decision</u>

Report of the Audit Committee Meeting held February 1, 2016 (D-4-a)

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Donna Armstrong

#AUD-2016-02-01-09

That the Board approve the 2015-2016 Internal Audit Plan, as set out in Report No. AUD-D-1, Internal Audit Update, dated February 1, 2016.

CARRIED

Report of the Business and Facilities Standing Committee Meeting held February 3, 2016 (D-4-b)

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Moved by Michele Locke Seconded by Donna Da Silva

(1)

#BF-2016-02-03-10

That the Board approve that Policy No. 2170, Student Trustee Honorarium, remain status quo, as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. BF-D-1, Review of Policy No. 2170, Student Trustee Honorarium, dated February 3, 2016.

(2)

#BF-2016-02-03-11

That the Board approve that Policy No. 2240, Budget Implementation, remain status quo, as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. BF-D-2, Review of Policy No. 2240, Budget Implementation, dated February 3, 2016.

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(3)

#BF-2016-02-03-12

That the Board approve that Policy No. 2260, Intellectual Property, remain status quo, as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. BF-D-3, Review of Policy No. 2260, Intellectual Property, dated February 3, 2016.

(4)

#BF-2016-02-03-13

That the Board approve that Policy No. 4320, Fundraising, remain status quo, as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. BF-D-4, Review of Policy No. 4320, Fundraising, dated February 3, 2016.

CARRIED

(5)

Moved by Donna Armstrong Seconded by Donna Da Silva

#BF-2016-02-03-14

That the Board approve the name Lake Simcoe Public School as the name of the new Alcona South Public School, as set out in Report No. BF-D-5, Naming of the New Alcona South Public School, dated February 3, 2016.

CARRIED

Report of the Program Standing Committee Meeting held February 10, 2016 (D-4-c)

(1) Moved by Donna Da Silva Seconded by Kathleen Aikins

#PRO-2016-02-10-15

That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4260, School Food and Beverage, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-1, Revisions to Policy No. 4260, School Food and Beverage, dated February 10, 2016.

CARRIED

(2)

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Annie Chandler

#PRO-2016-02-10-16

That the Board approve the submission of the regular school year calendar for 2016-2017 to the Ministry of Education for approval, as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. PRO-D-2, Regular School Year Calendar 2016-2017, dated February 10, 2016.

CARRIED

(3)

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Annie Chandler

#PRO-2016-02-10-17

That the Board approve the submission of the modified school year calendar for Ernest Cumberland Elementary School for 2016-2017 to the Ministry of Education for approval, as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. PRO-D-3, Modified School Year Calendar 2016-2017 – Ernest Cumberland Elementary School, dated February 10, 2016.

March 2, 2016

(4)

Moved by Annie Chandler Seconded by Donna Da Silva

#PRO-2016-02-10-18

That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4410, Admission of Foreign Students, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-4, Revisions to Policy No. 4410, Admission of Foreign Students, dated February 10, 2016.

CARRIED

(5)

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Annie Chandler

#PRO-2016-02-10-19

That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4190, English as a Second Language, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-5, Revisions to Policy No. 4190, English as a Second Language, dated February 10, 2016.

CARRIED

(5) Staff Reports – Items for Decision

Trustee Absences (D-5-a)

Kathryn Wallace, Director of Education provided an overview of the report and responded to questions from trustees. On February 16, 2016, Trustee Hodgson informed Chairperson Beacock that she would like to request a three month medical leave, and that she will be unable to perform her duties as trustee during that time. Chairperson Beacock indicated that he would respond to any inquiries from Trustee Hodgson's constituents during her leave.

Moved by Jennifer Cameron Seconded by Michele Locke

#BP-2016-03-02-20

That the Board excuse the absences of Trustee Pamela Hodgson from the Regular Meetings of the Board while Trustee Hodgson is on medical leave, as set out in Report No. D-5-a, Trustee Absences, dated March 2, 2016.

CARRIED

(6) Committee Minutes/Reports – Items for Information

Report of the Parent Involvement Committee Meeting held November 17, 2015 (D-6-a)

This report was provided as information.

Report of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting held December 14, 2015 (D-6-b)

This report was provided as information.

Report of the Parent Involvement Committee Meeting held January 19, 2016 (D-6-c)

This report was provided as information.

Report of the Human Resources Standing Committee Meeting held February 10, 2016 (D-6-d)_

This report was provided as information

(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

Vice-chairperson Lloyd attended the new Orillia secondary school on February 20th. The school was open in the morning for school staff to tour the building and the media had an opportunity to tour the building in the afternoon. Vice-chairperson Lloyd indicated that the transition plans were released for the school and that it was positively received. On March 21, 2016, students will march from the old school to the new school to begin their education.

Trustee Michele Locke attended a grade 8 meeting at Midland Secondary School. This meeting was a great opportunity to talk to parents about the new school and the programming. Trustee Locke thanked the Parent Councils and Principal John Playford for their work in organizing this meeting.

Chairperson Beacock thanked Melanie Slade-Morrison for all her work as the Manager of Communications while Alison LaMantia was on maternity leave, and commented on how easily Melanie transitioned into the role.

(4) Professional Development Seminars Attendance

Trustee Michele Locke declared her intention to attend the Annual General Meeting in in Ottawa in June.

Trustee Donna Da Silva declared her intention to attend the 2016 Summit on Children and Youth Mental Health in Toronto in April.

(5) Reports/Update from Staff

Daryl Halliday, Superintendent of Education informed trustees of the Equity in Action Symposium which took place on February 29th at Georgian College. The symposium focused on equity and inclusion, social justice and breaking down barriers. SCDSB student, Derek Stewart was a keynote speaker for the afternoon session.

(6) Correspondence - Nil

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

Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting – March 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. – Georgian Room

First Nations Education Advisory Committee Meeting – March 9, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. – New Orillia Secondary School

Human Resources Standing Committee Meeting – March 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. – Georgian Room

Program Standing Committee Meeting – March 9, 2016 following HR Meeting – Roy Edwards Room

Accessibility Committee – March 21, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. – Roy Edwards Room Regular Meeting of the Board – March 23, 2016 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 Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Donna Armstrong

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:40 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, MARCH 2, 2016

The Business and Facilities Standing Committee met in Public Session on Wednesday, March 2, 2016, at the Education Centre.

PRESENT:

<u>Committee Members</u> Kathleen Aikins, Donna Armstrong (Chairperson), Peter Beacock,

Jennifer Cameron, Annie Chandler, Wayne Clements,

Donna Da Silva, Jodi Lloyd, Michele Locke (Vice-Chairperson),

Krista Mayne.

<u>Student Trustees</u> Drew Campbell, Haley Tyrell.

Electronic Participation

<u>Administration</u> Stuart Finlayson, Daryl Halliday, Brian Jeffs, Jackie Kavanagh,

Paula Murphy, Chris Samis, Anita Simpson, Kathryn Wallace.

Staff Andrew Keuken.

REGRETS:

Committee Members Pamela Hodgson, Daniel Shilling.

Student Trustee Nicholas Gulley.

Recording Secretary Lorraine Ryder.

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

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Annie Chandler

That the agenda be approved as printed.

CARRIED

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest - Nil

MOTION

Moved by Peter Beacock Seconded by Jennifer Cameron

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

CARRIED

The Business and Facilities Standing Committee reconvened in public session at 7:05 p.m.

Presentations/Delegations - Nil

At the request of Kathryn Wallace, Director of Education, Chairperson Armstrong received consensus from the trustees to deal with Report No. BF-I-3, Transition Plan for Orillia Secondary School immediately following Report No. BF-D-1, Naming of the New North Simcoe Secondary School.

Items for Decision

1. Naming of the New North Simcoe Secondary School (BF-D-1)

Stuart Finlayson, Superintendent of Education introduced John Playford, Principal and two student representatives from the naming committee. Superintendent Finlayson provided an overview of the report that outlined the process and rationale in selecting Georgian Bay District Secondary School as the proposed name for the New North Simcoe Secondary School.

Superintendent Finlayson, Principal Playford and one of the students responded to questions from trustees at this time.

Moved by Michele Locke Seconded by Jennifer Cameron

(1)

#BF-2016-03-02-28

That the Business and Facilities Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve Georgian Bay District Secondary School as the name for the new school to be established at the current Midland Secondary School site effective September 1, 2016, as set out in Report No. BF-D-1, Naming of the New North Simcoe Secondary School, dated March 2, 2016.

CARRIED

2. Attendance Area Review 2015:01 – Angus Morrison Elementary School and Pine River Elementary School (BF-D-2)

Brian Jeffs, Superintendent of Business Services and Andrew Keuken, Manager of Planning, Enrolment and Community Use provided an overview of the report that outlined the attendance area review process. The proposed attendance area change would alleviate the enrolment pressures at Angus Morrison Elementary School, create a sustainable enrolment at Pine River Elementary School, and accommodate future growth in the Angus community.

Moved by Wayne Clements Seconded by Kathleen Aikins

(2)

#BF-2016-03-02-29

That the Business and Facilities Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the proposed attendance areas, as set out in APPENDIX E of Report No. BF-D-2, Attendance Area Review 2015:01 - Angus Morrison Elementary School and Pine River Elementary School, dated March 2, 2016.

CARRIED

Moved by Donna Da Silva Seconded by Jennifer Cameron

(3)

#BF-2016-03-02-30

That the Business and Facilities Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the implementation of the attendance areas effective September 2016, as set out in Report No. BF-D-2, Attendance Area Review 2015:01 - Angus Morrison Elementary School and Pine River Elementary School, dated March 2, 2016.

CARRIED

Items for Information

1. Attendance Area Change – Baxter Central Public School/ Portage View Public School (BF-I-1)

Superintendent Jeffs provided a synopsis of the report that referenced a family request for a boundary change. Upon review of the family request, it was determined that only one other family could potentially be affected by the change. This parent/guardian was contacted and had no objection to the change. The boundary change will take effect September 2016.

Manager Keuken responded to questions from trustees at this time.

This report was provided for information.

2. Budget Update (BF-I-2)

Superintendent Jeffs reviewed the two schedules included in the report, that being Trustee Expenditures and School Basic Budget. The two schedules will be included as part of the 2016-2017 Operating Budget. These schedules may require some minor adjustment as a result of the release of the 2016-2017 Technical Paper.

Superintendent Jeffs, Director Wallace and Anita Simpson, Superintendent of Program and Innovation responded to questions from trustees at this time.

This report was provided for information.

3. <u>Transition Plan for Orillia Secondary School (BF-I-3)</u>

Superintendent Jeffs introduced Jim Sammon, Principal of Orillia Secondary School. Superintendent Jeffs and Principal Sammon provided an overview of the report that outlined the transition plan for Orillia Secondary School.

Trustee Lloyd acknowledged and commended Principal Sammon for all the work he has done over this entire process.

Principal Sammon responded to questions from trustees at this time.

This report was provided for information.

Correspondence - Nil

Other Matters - Nil

Notices of Motion for Next Meeting - Nil

MOTION

Moved by Peter Beacock Seconded by Donna Da Silva

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Board approve Georgian Bay District Secondary School as the name for the new school to be established at the current Midland Secondary School site effective September 1, 2016, as set out in Report No. BF-D-1, Naming of the New North Simcoe Secondary School, dated March 2, 2016.
- 2. That the Board approve the proposed attendance areas, as set out in APPENDIX E of Report No. BF-D-2, Attendance Area Review 2015:01 Angus Morrison Elementary School and Pine River Elementary School, dated March 2, 2016.
- 3. That the Board approve the implementation of the attendance areas effective September 2016, as set out in Report No. BF-D-2, Attendance Area Review 2015:01 Angus Morrison Elementary School and Pine River Elementary School, dated March 2, 2016.

Respectfully submitted by:

Brian Jeffs, Superintendent of Business Services John Dance, Superintendent of Facility Services

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, MARCH 9, 2016

The Program Standing Committee met in Public Session at the Education Centre on Wednesday, March 9, 2016.

PRESENT:

Committee Members Kathleen Aikins, Donna Armstrong, Peter Beacock, Annie Chandler

(Chairperson), Wayne Clements, Donna DaSilva, Jodi Lloyd,

Krista Mayne, Daniel Shilling (Vice-Chairperson).

REGRETS:

<u>Committee Members</u> Jennifer Cameron, Pamela Hodgson, Michele Locke.

<u>Student Trustees</u> Drew Campbell, Nicholas Gulley, Haley Tyrell.

Administration Stuart Finlayson, Daryl Halliday, Brian Jeffs, Jackie Kavanagh,

Janis Medysky, Paula Murphy, Chris Samis, Anita Simpson,

Paul Sloan, Kathryn Wallace.

Staff Heather Hamilton, Lori Irwin, Dean Maltby, Juli Miller, Jeff Munn,

Deborah Scharf, Michelle Turner, Mark Wilson.

Recording Secretary Mary Cannell.

Chairperson Chandler called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

Chair Chandler requested that Report No. PRO-I-2, Elementary Student Success Teacher (eSST) Initiative, be moved to the first item of the agenda.

Moved by Krista Mayne Seconded by Wayne Clements

That the agenda be approved as revised.

CARRIED

- 2. <u>Declaration of Conflicts of Interest</u> Nil.
- 3. Presentations/Delegations Nil.

Items for Information

1. <u>Elementary Student Success Teacher (eSST) Initiative (PRO-I-2)</u>

Superintendent of Education Paul Sloan, Principal of Student Success Heather Hamilton and elementary student success teacher Mark Wilson welcomed secondary students Brittney Christou, Austin Grover and Talon Kroll to the table. The three students described the benefits of their relationship with the elementary student success teacher, who serves to support at-risk students with the transition between elementary and secondary panels. The students further shared their elementary experience with the learning strategies reach ahead credit and reflected on how the course helped them to build skills of study, organization and cooperation that also apply to everyday life.

Students Christou, Grover and Kroll responded to trustee queries and comments related to the reach ahead high school credit, their future plans and the success of the eSST program.

This report was provided for information.

Items for Decision

1. Revisions to Policy No. 4106 - Homework (PRO-D-1)

Superintendent of Program and Innovation Anita Simpson indicated that this policy is being revised to reflect the changing nature of learning environments and the implications for tasks and assignments that involve homework. Superintendent Simpson reviewed the specific changes to the policy and responded to trustee queries related to the amount of homework assigned to students, the value of homework in both elementary and secondary panels, and the various demands on student life outside of school.

Superintendent Simpson clarified that the intent of the changes to the policy are to minimize but not eliminate homework for students.

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Donna DaSilva

#PRO-2016-03-09-10

That the Program Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4106 - Homework, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-1, Revisions to Policy No. 4106 - Homework, dated March 9, 2016.

CARRIED

2. Revisions to Policy No. 4123 – Requests to Conduct Non-Board Initiated Research (PRO-D-2)

Superintendent Simpson indicated that this policy is being revised to clarify expectations for external researchers and to include direction on how to conduct Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) initiated research. Superintendent Simpson stated that all research requests are reviewed and evaluated for the value added to the board and educational community.

Moved by Peter Beacock Seconded by Jodi Lloyd

#PRO-2016-03-09-11

That the Program Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4123 – Requests to Conduct Non-Board Initiated Research, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-2, Revisions to Policy No. 4123 – Requests to Conduct Non-Board Initiated Research, dated March 9, 2016.

CARRIED

Items for Information

2. **Graduation Rates: 2014-2015 (PRO-I-1)**

Superintendent of Education Paul Sloan invited Manager of Research and Evaluation Deb Scharf and Principal Hamilton to the table. Superintendent Sloan, Manager Scharf and Superintendent Simpson responded to trustee queries and comments related to the relationship between the graduation rates calculated by the province and the board and the differences between and among schools. Director Wallace confirmed that engaging boy learners continues to be a focus of this board.

This report was provided for information.

Other Matters

Trustee Lloyd referenced the Spring Tea and Music Concert held last evening at Regent Park and commented on the importance of music for students.

Trustee Chandler reminded trustees of the second public meeting of the Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) at Clearview Meadows on March 10, 2016.

Notices of Motion for Next Meeting - Nil

Moved by Peter Beacock Seconded by Krista Mayne

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4106 Homework, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-1, Revisions to Policy No. 4106 Homework, dated March 9, 2016.
- 2. That the Board approve the revisions to Policy No. 4123 Requests to Conduct Non-Board Initiated Research, as set out in APPENDIX C of Report No. PRO-D-2, Revisions to Policy No. 4123 Requests to Conduct Non-Board Initiated Research, dated March 9, 2016.

REPORT NO. D-4-b MARCH 23, 2016 - 4

Respectfully submitted by: Anita Simpson Superintendent of Program and Innovation

Approved for submission by:Kathryn Wallace
Director of Education

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the

Simcoe County District School Board

The Committee of the Whole

FROM: Human Resources Standing Committee

SUBJECT: REPORT OF THE PUBLIC SESSION OF THE HUMAN RESOURCES

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016

The Human Resources Standing Committee met in Public Session on Wednesday, March 9, 2016, at the Education Centre.

PRESENT:

<u>Committee Members</u> Donna Armstrong, Kathleen Aikins, Peter Beacock, Annie Chandler,

Wayne Clements, Donna DaSilva (Vice-Chairperson), Jodi Lloyd,

Krista Mayne (Chairperson), Daniel Shilling.

<u>Administration</u> John Dance, Stuart Finlayson, Daryl Halliday, Brian Jeffs,

Jackie Kavanagh, Janis Medysky, Paula Murphy, Chris Samis,

Paul Sloan, Kathryn Wallace.

REGRETS:

<u>Committee Members</u> Jennifer Cameron, Pamela Hodgson, Michele Locke.

PRESENT:

<u>Student Trustees</u> Drew Campbell, Haley Tyrell.

ABSENT:

Student Trustees Nicholas Gulley.

Recording Secretary Kary Hancock.

1. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Peter Beacock

That the agenda be approved as printed.

CARRIED

2. <u>Declaration of Conflicts of Interest</u> – Nil

3. Presentations/Delegations - Nil

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Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Annie Chandler

That the Human Resources Standing Committee move into closed session.

CARRIED

Student Trustees Drew Campbell and Haley Tyrell left the meeting at this time.

The Human Resources Standing Committee reconvened in public session at 6:10 p.m.

Student Trustee Drew Campbell and Hayley Tyrel returned to the meeting at this time.

Items for Decision

1. New Policy No. 3005 – Student and Staff Well-Being (HR-D-1)

Janis Medysky, Associate Director and Chris Samis, Superintendent of Education, advised that for three years now, the board has supported a Health and Wellness initiative for our employees. The committee meets regularly to determine strategies to improve the health and wellness of staff which, in turn, promotes favourable attendance patterns and a healthy working environment. Trustees are also aware that the Ministry of Education has included in its renewed goals for our learners, "promoting well-being".

Because of the focus on health and well-being for staff and students, this proposed policy has been jointly developed by the Special Education department and the Health and Wellness Committee.

Setting out a policy for student and staff well-being firmly establishes and supports the board's mission and vision. This policy will provide a solid foundation for our work in the future which will seek to improve and sustain the wellness of our employees and our learners.

Associate Director Medysky and Superintendent Samis responded to questions from trustees at this time.

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Donna Armstrong

(1)

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That the Human Resources Standing Committee recommend that the Board approve the adoption of Policy No. 3005 – Student and Staff Well-Being as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. HR-D-1, New Policy No. 3005 – Student and Staff Well-Being, dated March 9, 2016.

CARRIED

Items for Information

1. Principal and Vice-Principal Allocations (HR-I-1)

Associate Director Medysky advised that each year at this time, senior staff meet to determine the allocation of administrators to our schools.

A number of factors including school size, demographics and learner needs are factored into these decisions. The report provides the allocations in the current year and those which, pending budget approval, are recommended for the 2016-2017 school year.

This report was provided for information.

2. <u>Labour Update (Verbal)</u>

Associate Director Medysky advised that she does not have a verbal update for public session.

Correspondence - Nil

Other Matters - Nil

Notices of Motion for next meeting - Nil

MOTION

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Jodi Lloyd

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

CARRIED

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve the adoption of Policy No. 3005, Student and Staff Well-Being, as set out in APPENDIX A of Report No. HR-D-1, New Policy No. 3005, Student and Staff Well-Being, dated March 9. 2016.

Respectfully submitted by:

Janis Medysky Associate Director

Approved for submission by:

Kathryn Wallace Director of Education

REPORT NO. D-6-a MARCH 23, 2016____

TO: The Chairperson and Members of the

Simcoe County District School Board

FROM: Accessibility Advisory Committee

SUBJECT: REPORT OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD NOVEMBER 30, 2015

A meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee was held on Monday November 30, 2015 at the Education Centre.

PRESENT:

<u>Committee Members</u> Peter Beacock (Trustee), Albert Stein, Margaretta Papp-Belayneh,

Delmar MacLean, Doug Mein,

Staff: Kevin LePage, Erin Schwarz, Brain Jeffs, Steve Parker,

Regrets: Sean Levasseur

AAC Members

ABSENT: Sarah Muller, Caroline Quanbury

AAC Members

Recording Secretary Christie Connors

The meeting was called to order at 10:37 a.m.

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Chairperson Mein welcomed committee members. Doug mentioned that Caroline sends her regrets, had to attend a funeral. Sean was unable to attend this week but is supposed to be back for the next meeting.

2. Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee held September 28, 2015

Reviewed, Doug mentioned item 5, terms of reference, Christie and Kylee to update. Christie mentioned that the terms have been updated within the document.

Moved by: Peter Beacock

Seconded by: Margaretta Papp-Belayneh

That the Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee held Monday, September 28, 2015 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. <u>Press release regarding UN's International Day of Persons with Disabilities on December 3rd</u>

Melanie spoke to the committee regarding this day, sharing Simcoe blog - could post some information about the committee and what we do in the school community. Brian suggested contacting the Barrie Examiner to see if they are already doing something for this day, if not perhaps they can do a piece on the AAC. Doug is interested and can be interviewed if need be.

4. November School Audit Reports

Bradford District High School (BDHS) and Fred C. Cook Public School were audited most recently. Fred C. Cook PS is a new school, issues were small compared to others. The security system at the front of the school is set too high, needs to be lowered. Good color contrasts and excellent main office set up. The washrooms seem to be a consistent issue, the paper towel holders are too high, hand dryers are often too high and are far too loud. Contrasting strips on the stairs were lifting off, going to be fixed. Staff room stoves are an issue with the controls being at the back of the stove, someone in a chair cannot reach them. Staff washroom, toilet paper holders are too far and hard to reach. Boiler room is very clean and well maintained, has an accessible eye wash station. Overall good comments on this school, the issues are more minor. Steve notes that minor changes such as relocating paper towel dispenser can be initiated through a work order at the school level, and any changes involving further purchases will need to wait until budget becomes available. Albert added, our committee is going to identify accessibility issues, the building must meet building code, but it is not required to meet our suggested changes unless there is a need we must accommodate. The AAC is to advise of changes, these changes are also made to fit adults, not children, so they are not always suitable, Steve will make the changes where and when he can. Peter asked the question about door handles, are they to building code? Steve, yes they are the lever handles or similar solutions are being implemented throughout the Board.

BDHS has had some renovations done, improvements have been made. The front office is not set up to be accessible, high counters, narrow hallways, multiple doors. Steve has been given a copy of old audit and new, Albert notes the stage and cafeteria area are not accessible. Ramps are too steep, multiple levels in the cafeteria, stairs need to be easily identifiable. Library, tables are too low and not adjustable, internal doors are not accessible, spacing between bookshelves is too narrow. Steve and Albert discussed some of the upcoming renovations for BDHS, will include the cafeteria, and office area, all internal areas are being looked at. Albert added that this school does need a lot of work. Steve is working on communicating the school audit information to the school levels, he will be working with the school Principals to implement changes.

Albert and Steve discuss upcoming Audits: Holly Meadows and Willow Landing are clone schools, we could inspect one and have it be applicable to both.

Moved by: Peter Beacock

Seconded by: Margaretta Papp-Belayneh

CARRIED

5. <u>May School Audits – Location Review</u>

Continuing the theme of new and old, Steve suggests the new Orillia SS and Couchiching Heights, group is in agreement, May 6, 2016.

CARRIED

6. Review of Multi-Year Accessibility Plan - Final

Janet Hammell helped Steve out and fixed the formatting issues, all information reads clearly now.

Moved by: Margaretta Papp-Belayneh

Seconded by: Albert Stein

CARRIED

7. Margaretta Papp-Belayneh Award of Recognition

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) 10th annual champion award from the Province went to Margaretta Papp-Belayneh. She is hardworking and driving force within the Innisfil AAC, City of Barrie AAC, Simcoe County DSB and the hospital. She has been awarded for her efforts and dedication to the community, nominated by Innisfil AAC. Margaretta enjoys spending her time advocating for those with disabilities who cannot advocate for themselves.

8. Other Business – Member Updates Etc.

Peter Beacock let the group know this might be his last meeting, the board is having their elections in the upcoming weeks for chair, depending on how things end up he might be off the committee. He thanked the group for allowing him to join. Doug thanked Peter for his dedication to the committee and noted his efforts and attendance with school audits.

National Access Awareness Week, May 2016 – Peter mentioned the possibility of having the communications department do a piece on the AAC audit in May, show what we do, follow up next meeting.

Doug and Albert brought in and have left an article on addictions and counselling (NAV Canada) for Abby to pass along to Danielle Mink for review and information.

Margaretta provided updates from the City of Barrie AAC, dog parks now to included specified areas for service dogs.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by: Peter Beacock Seconded by: Brian Jeffs

That the meeting be adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at the Simcoe County District School Board in Midhurst, on Monday, January 25, 2016 in the Roy Edwards Room at 10:30 a.m.

Future meeting dates are:

Monday January 25, 2016 (Election for Chair and Vice-Chair) Monday March 21, 2016 Friday May 6, 2016 – School Audits – Locations to be determined Monday May 30, 2016 – Working lunch

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Report Status

This report is provided for information.

Respectfully submitted by:

Brian Jeffs Superintendent of Business Services

Approved for submission by:

Kathryn Wallace Director of Education 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 FEBRUARY 8, 2016

The regular meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee was held on Monday, February 8, 2016 at the Education Centre.

A. Roll Call

PRESENT:

SEAC Members Kathleen Aikins (Trustee), Donna Armstrong (Trustee),

Kevin Berry (Chairperson), Mark Bryan, Annie Chandler (Trustee), Sheryl Eastop, Rose-Ann Marchitto, Peter Nagora, Sally Seabrook, Yana Skybin (Vice-Chairperson), Caroline Smith, Dan Stroh,

Sandy Thurston, Tanya van Voorst.

SEAC Alternates James Hall.

<u>Staff</u> Kathy Chapman, Tina Holroyd, Stephen McClelland,

Janis Medysky, Chris Samis.

REGRETS:

SEAC Members Kelly Barber, Jennifer Paterson.

SEAC Alternates Candice Coursey.

ABSENT:

SEAC Members Andrew Copegog.

Recording Secretary Tina Bazuk.

Chris Samis, Superintendent of Education, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

(1) Welcome

(a) Introductions

Superintendent Samis welcomed committee members and staff and advised of a few member changes which include:

- Caroline Smith as the new representative for the Association for Bright Children of Ontario, Simcoe Chapter replacing Ceci Vasoff; and,
- Joanne McCafferty is assuming the alternate role for Kinark Child and Family Services and Dan Stroh is assuming the role of member.

(b) Election of Chairperson

Superintendent Samis outlined the election process and appointed Stephen McClelland, Principal of Special Education, and Tina Holroyd, Central Consultant for Special Education, to act as tellers in the event that a vote was required.

Superintendent Samis called for nominations for the position of Chairperson of the Special Education Advisory Committee.

Moved by Caroline Smith Seconded by Yana Skybin

That Kevin Berry, SEAC Member, be nominated for election as Chairperson of the Special Education Advisory Committee.

Kevin Berry indicated that he would stand.

Superintendent Samis called for further nominations for the position of Chairperson of the Special Education Advisory Committee.

There being no further nominations, Kevin Berry was acclaimed as Chairperson of the Special Education Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

Kevin Berry assumed the Chair at this time.

(c) Election of Vice-Chairperson

Chairperson Berry called for nominations for the position of Vice-chairperson of the Special Education Advisory Committee.

Moved by Kevin Berry Seconded by Tanya van Voorst

That Yana Skybin, SEAC Member, be nominated for election as Vice-chairperson of the Special Education Advisory Committee.

Yana Skybin indicated that she would stand.

Chairperson Berry called for further nominations for the position of Vice-chairperson of the Special Education Advisory Committee.

There being no further nominations, Yana Skybin was acclaimed as Vice-chairperson of the Special Education Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

Yana Skybin assumed the Vice-chair at this time.

(d) SCDSB Special Education Statement of Beliefs (A-1-d)

Caroline Smith, SEAC member, read the Statement of Beliefs.

(2) Approval of Agenda

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Annie Chandler

That the agenda be approved as written.

CARRIED

(3) Approval of Minutes

(a) Minutes of the Regular SEAC Meeting held December 14, 2015 (A-3-a)

James Hall, SEAC alternate, recommended the minutes be amended to remove the suggestion that a recommendation was brought forward with regards to the relocation of Special Education Gifted Classes in item D-2-a Relocation of Special Education Gifted Classes. The Association for Bright Children of Ontario – Simcoe County Chapter was not given the opportunity to provide feedback prior to the SEAC meeting.

Moved by Kathleen Aikins Seconded by Caroline Smith

That the minutes be approved as amended.

CARRIED

B. Presentations

(1) (a) The Role of the ABA Coordinator (B-1-a)

Superintendent Samis introduced Anne Miller, ABA Coordinator, and Tina Holroyd, Central Consultant for Special Education, who provided an overview of the Role of the ABA Coordinator in the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB).

The SCDSB currently employs three full-time ABA Coordinators that are Board Certified Behaviour Analysts (BCBA) with a case load of approximately 40 students each. The ABA Coordinators play a vital role in supporting the implementation of PPM 140, Incorporating Methods of Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) Into Programs for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) which outlines four basic principles, including:

- The program must be individualized;
- Positive Reinforcement must be utilized:
- Data must be collected and analyzed; and,
- Transfer, or generalization, of skills should be emphasized.

PPM 140 also requires that teachers plan for all transitions for students with ASD.

ABA Coordinator Miller and Central Consultant Holroyd shared a case study with members to show how support is provided to students using the four basic principles outlined in PPM 140.

The SCDSB also employs three itinerant ABA support workers who collect data, assist in the development of materials for school and provide coaching/modelling of the intervention strategies recommended by the ABA Coordinators.

Superintendent Samis, ABA Coordinator Miller and Central Consultant Holroyd, responded to questions from SEAC at this time.

(b) <u>Section 23 – FASD (B-1-b)</u>

Superintendent Samis introduced Kathy Chapman, Central Consultant for Special Education, and Sally Seabrook, SEAC member, and provided a brief overview of Section 23 programs in Simcoe County. In May 2015 the SCDSB received funding approval from the Ministry of Education to deliver a new Enhanced Education Treatment program for pupils in Government-Approved Care and/or Treatment, Custody and Correctional Facilities for the 2015-2016 school year.

Together with Mackenzie Health and the Children's Aid Society of Simcoe County, the SCDSB has created a structured learning environment to support students enrolled in the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Section 23 classroom, also known as the Kids in Transition (KIT) Class.

The KIT class can accommodate up to a max of 8 students and is located at Emma King Elementary School. The class employs three staff including a teacher and child and youth worker provided by the SCDSB and a behaviour technician provided by Mackenzie Health.

The classroom is kept clean and well organized with very few distractions to reduce the amount of stimulation for the students. The students have set up a calming area where they can go and relax when needed.

Emma King Elementary School has been very welcoming to the Section 23 class and have included the students in assemblies, artwork displays etc.

Central Consultant Chapman and Sally Seabrook responded to questions from SEAC at this time.

C. Items for Decision

(1) (a) SEAC Member Absences (C-1-a)

On January 8, 2016, Superintendent Samis received notification from Jennifer Paterson, SEAC Member, informing that due to a leave of absence, she will be unable to perform her duties as the SEAC Member for Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO) until further notice.

Jennifer Paterson has been absent from the November 9, 2015 and December 14, 2015 SEAC meetings and has requested that the absences do not affect LDAO's seat on SEAC.

It was noted that LDAO does not currently have a local chapter in Simcoe County so although SEAC members support representation from LDAO, it is believed that the proper process would be to vacate the seat while Jennifer Paterson is away and resubmit the nomination when able to return.

D. <u>Items for Information</u>

(1) Follow-up from Previous Meeting - Nil

(2) Staff Reports

(a) Special Education Annual Action Plan (D-2-a)

Superintendent Samis advised SEAC members of the new format for the action plans throughout the SCDSB.

Stephen McClelland, Principal of Special Education, provided an overview of the Special Education Annual Action Plan 2015-2016 which reflects a number of system-wide initiatives focusing on improving supports and services available to SCDSB students with special education needs and their families to create greater equity, academic achievement and well-being.

The focus of the Special Education Annual Action Plan 2015-2016 reflects four key areas including:

- Fostering Independence;
- Differentiated instruction based on student's Individual Education Plan (IEP);
- Community partnerships; and,
- Ensuring successful transitions.

Fostering Independence:

An overarching goal of special education is to foster independence in students with special education needs in order to ensure they are able to participate and succeed in school and community as independently as possible.

Differentiated instruction based on student's Individual Education Plan (IEP):

By developing personalized and precise IEPs, staff are better able to plan meaningful instruction and design more effective learning environments to meet individual student's needs.

Community partnerships:

Coordinated service planning with community agencies improves how families of students with special education needs access the services at school and in the community.

Ensuring successful transitions:

Developing effective transition plans on all students IEPs will help with successful transitions for both Little and Big.

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Principal McClelland agreed to provide SEAC members with a copy of the transition template that is included in the student's IEP, however, asked members to understand that the template may change visually with the new IEP solution.

Superintendent Samis and Principal McClelland responded to questions from SEAC at this time.

Chairperson Berry noted that Special Education Annual Action Plan 2015-2016 is more fulsome however inclusion should be included as an area of focus.

(b) Special Education Data Report (D-2-b)

Superintendent Samis provided an overview of the Special Education - Academic Achievement and Exceptionalities Data Trend Report.

Currently 9715 (19%) of the students in the SCDSB are accessing special education programs and services, the majority being in regular classrooms. Male students continue to be identified, both formally through an IPRC and/or through an IEP only, far more often than females across both panels and all exceptionalities. The majority of students accessing special educational programming and services are doing so through an IEP only, rather than through the formal IPRC process. Students identified with a Learning Disability continue to be the largest portion of students formally identified (34%), although there has been a significant increase in the number and percentage of students identified with Autism (ASD) throughout the past number of years.

Based on academic achievement and exceptionality identification trends, SCDSB's 2015-2016 system supports continue to focus on targeted strategies, intentional planning as well as sustained professional development to engage and support all learners with special education needs.

Superintendent Samis agreed to provide SEAC members with identification information by exceptionality for males vs females in comparison to Global trends.

Superintendent Samis responded to questions from SEAC at this time.

MOTION

Moved by Caroline Smith Seconded by Kathleen Aikins

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

CARRIED

(c) Special Education Budget and the Role of SEAC (D-2-c)

Superintendent Samis provided a brief overview of the budget process, funding sources and proposed timelines. The proposed date for Business Services to attend SEAC for preliminary budget discussions is March 7, 2016 and April 20, 2016 has been set aside for the Joint SEAC/Business and Facilities Meeting to review the budget.

SEAC members play a critical consultative role in identifying and developing intentional strategic opportunities throughout the budgeting process in order to meet the needs of students with special education needs. Staffing costs account for approximately 98% of the special education budget.

At the March 7, 2016 SEAC meeting, members will be provided the opportunity to participate in a group 'Think-Pair-Share' activity to determine preliminary priorities for 2016-2017 school year giving consideration to a potential decrease in budget.

Superintendent Samis responded to questions from SEAC at this time.

(3) Committee Reports - NIL

(4) **SEAC Member Updates**

(a) Association/Agency Updates - All (D-4-a) - Nil

(5) Board Member Updates

(a) Updates from Board Meetings – (D-5-a)

Trustee Chandler requested a List of members representing SEAC. Tina Bazuk agreed to forward the information.

- E. Correspondence NIL
- F. Other Matters NIL
- G. Notices of Motion for Next Meeting NIL

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H. Adjournment

Moved by Caroline Smith Seconded by Kathleen Aikins

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

CARRIED

The next meeting date is March 7, 2016.

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