



Special
Education
Advisory
Committee



COMMISSION SCOLAIRE SIR-WILFRID-LAURIER
SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF THE
Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting
Monday, February 27th, 2012 at 19 h 30
ESD/CSD Boardroom - 239, montée Lesage, Rosemère, QC

Present: *Adelina Lepanto, Sylvie Battisti, Melanie Parkinson, Pamala Cripton, Janet Sallie, Brian Benoit, Anne Nicholson, Pamela Feres, Ghyslaine Massé, Carolyn Curiale, Rodica Teleman, Pat Gilmour*

Resigned: *Elia Russo, Rosanne Petardi, Amanda Wood*

Absent with regrets: *Adele Leeming, Sonia Busnardo, Ellen Dennick, Peter MacLaurin, Kimberly Leclerc, Sebastien Joly*

AGENDA TOPIC	DISCUSSION	Remarks and Actions To be Taken
Welcoming remarks	<i>The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Adelina Lepanto welcomed Anne Nicholson, SWLSB special education consultant (behaviour) and Rodica Teleman and Melanie Parkinson, alternate parent delegates</i>
1.0 Additions and approval of the Agenda	<i>Agenda approved</i>	<i>Moved by: Sylvie Battisti Seconded by: Adelina Lepanto</i>
2.0 Approval of minutes of meeting held January 30 th , 2012	<i>Minutes of January 30, 2012 approved</i>	<i>Moved by: Sylvie Battisti Seconded by: Adelina Lepanto</i>
3.0 Question Period for the Public	<i>No questions at this time</i>	
4.0 Chairperson's Report		
4.1 Nominations to PC (Update)	<i>Adelina Lepanto reported that she has sent out a letter to alternates in order to replace the three parents who have resigned. Adelina Lepanto will recommend to the parent committee that Pamela Feres, Melanie Parkinson and Rodica Teleman become regular parent representatives.</i>	<i>Moved by: Adelina Lepanto Seconded by: Sylvie Battisti Carried Unanimously</i>
5.0 New Business		
5.1 Spring Conference 2012 (Update)	<i>Discussion on the upcoming spring conference to be held on Thursday, April 26, 2012. Planned schedule: Registration (6:00-6:30), Session 1 (6:30-7:45), Health Break (7:45-8:00), Session 2 (8:00-9:15). Workshops will focus on mental health issues. B Benoit asked Mr. Greschner if he had contacted the</i>	<i>Committee members are still waiting to hear from some speakers regarding their availability and will advise when they have more information.</i>

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	<i>Centre of Excellence for Autism. Mr. Greschner replied that he will do so if one of the six proposed workshops does not materialize.</i>	<i>Sylvie Battisti reported that they will have the flyers ready for March 31st in order to have plenty of time to distribute them to parents and others who may be interested in attending.</i>
5.2		
6.0 Complementary Services Report		
6.1 Autism Project (Update)	<i>Three dates have been chosen for Webinars; March 27, hosted by Learn (pedagogical issues), May 8, hosted by Giant Steps (power struggles), and May 31, hosted by Gail McCoubrey from SWLSB (language disabilities and autism).</i>	<i>Webinars will begin at 7:00 p.m. and last about one hour.</i>
6.2 Anti-Bullying Initiatives:		
6.2.1.1 SWLSB : Focus Session with Commissioners		<i>To be held towards the end of March.</i>
6.2.1.2 SWLSB : Transportation Campaign against INTIMIDATION		<i>Yellow bracelet campaign to increase awareness. Transportation department is open to suggestions for future training themes for bus drivers.</i>
6.2.1.3 Proposed Bill 56 by Quebec Government		<i>Act to prevent bullying and violence in schools.</i>
6.2.1.4 Laurier News : Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) MELS article		
6.2.1.5 International Day Against HOMOPHOBIA (McCaig and Mountainview Elementary)		<i>Was recently held at McCaig and will soon be held at Mountainview Brian Benoit applauded this campaign and believes it is long overdue.</i>
7.0 Financial Report (Attached)	<i>As presented.</i>	
8.0 Parents' Committee Report	<i>Pamala Crompton commented on the information forwarded to members from Carolyn Curiale and how helpful it was. The document is very beneficial to parents with children with special needs.</i>	<i>Have SWLSB professionals review the document to see if it complies with SWLSB's standards and practices.</i>
9.0 Question Period for the Public	<i>No questions at this time.</i>	

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10.0 Next meeting	<i>March 26 , 2012</i>	
11.0 Adjournment	<i>The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.</i>	

Respectfully submitted by: Pat Gilmour