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

## MINUTES OF THE Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting

Monday, October 18th, 2010 at 19 h 30  
SWLSB Boardroom - 235, montée Lesage, Rosemère, QC

**Present:** Christina Benko, Sylvie Battisti, Susan Tierney, Adelina Lepanto, Sandy Dahoud, Dorothy Jeary, Brian Benoit, Vicki Fraser, Irene Agosto, Ghyslaine Massé, Fred Greschner, Carolyn Curiale, Peter MacLaurin

**Absent with regrets:** Kimberly Leclerc, Shaun McMahon, Morena Palladini, Guylaine Rioux, Sandra Zamparini, Ellen Dennick, Gina Persechino, Sébastien Joly

AGENDA TOPIC	DISCUSSION	Remarks and Actions To be Taken
<b>Welcoming remarks</b>	<i>Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m.</i>	
<b>1.0 Additions and approval of the Agenda</b>		<i>Moved by Dorothy Jeary Seconded by Sylvie Battisti carried</i>
<b>2.0 Approval of minutes of meeting held September 27th, 2010</b>	<i>5.4 – correction - parent from SEAC should discuss this at parent committee level so their opinion can be heard – absent with regrets should include Ellen Dennick Spelling errors will be emailed to Fred Greschner Handicapped codes changed to MELS codes</i>	<i>Moved by Ghyslaine Massé Seconded by Adelina Lepanto carried</i>
<b>3.0 Question Period for the Public</b>	<i>No questions</i>	
<b>4.0 Chairperson’s Report</b>	<i>Nothing to report</i>	
<b>5.0 Business Arising</b>		
<b>5.1 Nominations and elections of parents to SEAC – Recommendations to Parents’ Committee</b>	<i>Done at the Parent’s committee meeting on October 7th</i>	
<b>5.2 Nomination and election of Chairperson</b>	<i>Nomination moved by Sylvie Battisti, seconded by Susan Tierney - Christina Benko was elected chairperson by acclamation.</i>	
<b>5.3 Nomination and election of Vice-Chairperson</b>	<i>Nomination moved by Ghyslaine Massé , seconded by Christina Benko - Sylvie Battisti was elected vice-chairperson by acclamation</i>	

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5.4 Nomination and election of Treasurer	<i>Nomination moved by Sylvie Battisti and seconded Ghyslaine Massé - Susan Tierney was elected treasurer by acclamation</i>	
5.5 Nomination and election of Secretary	<i>Motion: SEAC will look into using committee funds to hire a secretary. Mover - Sylvie Battisti Seconder - Adelina Lepanto In favour - 7 Against - 1 Abstentions - 0</i>	
5.6 Nomination and election of SEAC representative of Parents' Committee	<i>Motion – Sylvie Battisti be the designated representative to the Parents' Committee with Adelina Lepanto and Sandy Dahoud as alternates. Moved by Ghyslaine Massé Seconded by Adelina Lepanto Carried</i>	
5.7 SEAC Fall workshop	<i>There was a call for suggestions for speakers for the workshop. Sylvie Battisti suggested Heather Hallman. Fred Greschner presented ideas from the Abe Gold Learning and Research Centre- cost would be about \$700-\$800 Ideas were mentioned from around the table – Fred Greschner wrote down ideas It was suggested that the workshop be held on December 1st. An electronic vote will be taken. Flyers will be sent to the schools. Motion –That the meeting be extended by 15 minutes Moved by Ghyslaine Massé Seconded by Adelina Lepanto Carried</i>	
5.8 SEAC Website & Flyer	<i>A link to SEAC is on the board website. Fred Greschner will look over the pamphlet and will bring back information to the next meeting and will also send it out by email to the committee. - Sylvie Battisti shared the cost for the pamphlet – 10,000 copies - \$800 for the whole board – 16,000 - \$1050 - Sylvie Battisti will get back to us with final costs Motion – That the meeting be extended by 15 minutes Moved by Ghyslaine Massé Seconded by Christina Benko Carried Motion – That the pamphlets should be printed for all students in the board. Moved by Christina Benko Seconded by Susan Tierney Carried</i>	

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5.9 SEAC Meeting Dates	Dates were presented and the June 27th meeting was removed.	
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<b>6.0 New Business</b>		
6.1 Inter-Board Ententes	Tabled to next meeting	
6.2 EHDA budget	Budget was presented for this 2010-2011	
6.3 MELS Summit: Special Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Carolyn Curiale spoke about what they would be discussing at the summit. Said they would be talking about having something between closed classes and inclusion. They have no official position since it had not as yet been discussed. To be brought back to next meeting.</li> <li>- Sylvie Battisti reported on the meeting they attended and the suggestions that were given by parents in regards to concerns about students with special needs and their successful inclusion in classes.</li> <li>- F. Greschner mentioned that the administrators association is also addressing the same issue.</li> </ul>	
6.4 Advisory Committees	Christina Benko formulated a letter to send to other advisory committees to see about getting together to see how they work. Adelina Lepanto will bring back more information at the next meeting	
7.0 Complementary Services Report	Presented by Fred Greschner Will bring back information from a new committee that has been formed.	
8.0 Financial Report (attached)	Presented	
9.0 Parents' Committee Report	Consultation was the topic of the discussion	
10.0 Question Period for the public	No	
11.0 Next meeting	November 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2010	
12.0 Adjournment	Ghyslaine Masse motioned to adjourn	

Respectfully submitted by: Irene Agosto