GREATER ESSEX COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Special Education Advisory Committee meeting was held on

Connie Buckler, Trustee Karen Wilson, Parents for Children's Mental Health Kim McKinley, Trustee Monica Gilles, Windsor Essex County Down Syndrome Association Beth Cook, Indigenous Community – FNMI Mary-Ann Fuduric Melissa Debruyne, OPC Secondary Representative JoAnn Percy, Home and School Associations Judy Kraemer – Canadian Hearing Society

Susan Smith, Community Living

Peggy Russette

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

 <u>Approval of Agenda</u> Moved by: K. Wilson Seconded by: M. Fuduric That SEAC approve the agenda for May 8, 2018.

The motion was carried

 Approval of Minutes Moved by: M. Fuduric Seconded by: K. Wilson That SEAC approve the minutes of the SEAC meeting of April 10, 2018

The motion was carried

- 4. <u>Business Arising as a Result of the Minutes</u> There was no new business arising.
- Special Education Presentation PPM 140 Update Tim McCarthy, Behaviour Management Specialist

 McCarthy explained that he provides this information every year. The incidence of Autism is now 1 in 66. Males are identified more often. In the so transitions students fivestetineOotgeioiz@EOSSE:alas the Summit Centre for Preschool Children and The Learning Center (TLC).

Ontario Autism Program (OAP) focusses on helping parent/guardians, students to learn and build skills for home and community. They do this through a Family Service Plan, which plans and delivers care that promotes collaborative partnerships between care providers, children and their families. OAP also provides family services and training, which includes workshops, groups and seminars about ASD, consultation, information on Applied Behaviour Analysis, and how services are provided in OAP. There are also evidence-based behavioural services, which can assist with discouraging behaviours that interfere with learning and well-being. This service also involves teaching parents/caregivers the skills they need to support their child's development.

There are two family options: direct service or direct funding. With the direct service option, families will work with

at the Administration Office.

direct funding option is for families who choose to receive funding. The families are responsible for choosing their own provider to best support their child and family's needs.

Special Education Plan Revisions

Changes (in red) were shared with committee to approve. The transition planning was completely updated. CCAC (Community Care Access Centre) changed to Local Health Integration Network LHIN. SEAC approved the recommended changes. The staffing allocation for 18/19, PD section and Connections Program (page 20) revisions will be brought to the June meeting. The proposed special education budget will also be shared at that time. Lunch will also be served for our final meeting of the year.

Special Olympics

The events are this week, Thursday elementary, Friday secondary, Monday rain date. It will be a very inspirational day with Anderdon P.S. band leading the parade. Thank you to T. Awender and his team for arranging this wonderful event.

STRIVE Covered in presentation.

Exclusion Information

Dr. Pyke was not available but gave information to L McLaughlin.

Exclusion is almost always done because we must keep the student, other students and staff safe. For each exclusion, there are conditions which drive when the return to school. These conditions vary from student to student. We are committed to being in regular contact with the family. We provide instructional