

**Special Education Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
Limestone District School Board**

June 13, 2018

A meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee was held in Barry C. O'Connor Board Room at the Limestone Education Centre, 220 Portsmouth Avenue, Kingston, Ontario, on Wednesday, June 13, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Trustees: K. McGregor, Chair

Members: S. Henderson-Todd, Lennox and Addington Resources for Children
A. Martin, Member-at-Large (Queen's University)
B. Shoniker, Member-at-Large
C. Tooley, Down Syndrome Association Kingston
C. Whalen, Family & Children's Services, Frontenac, Lennox & Addington

Staff: L. Conboy, Mental Health Lead
S. Burnett, Special Education Program Coordinator
A. McDonnell, Associate Superintendent, Learning for All
J. Murphy, Special Education Program Coordinator
L. Rousseau, Educational Services and Safe Schools Coordinator

Regrets: N. Carson, Epilepsy South Eastern Ontario
E. Sheldon, Community Living Kingston
H. Box, Special Education Program Coordinator
A. Ross, Trustee
D. Scarlett, Principal of Educational Services
A. Collins, Easter Seals
G. Eaton-Smith, Learning Disabilities Association of Kingston (Alternate)
N. Nicholson, Autism Ontario-Kingston Chapter

Guests: K. Swaine, Frontenac S.S.
A. Lamonte, LaSalle S.S.

Recorder: Liz Strange, Records Management Coordinator

1. Welcome

Trustee McGregor called the meeting to order, welcoming all those in attendance to the meeting.

Trustee McGregor read the Indigenous greeting:

"The Limestone District School Board is situated on the traditional territories of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee. We acknowledge their enduring presence on this land, as well as the presence of Métis, Inuit and other First Nations from across Turtle Island.

We honour their cultures and celebrate their commitment to this land."

2. **Approval of Agenda**

There was no approval of the agenda due to lack of quorum.

3. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. **Business Arising From the Minutes**

None at this time.

5. **Presentation: – Family and Children's Services of Frontenac, Lennox and Addington – Amanda Van Ness**

This item was deferred due to lack of quorum.

6. **Educational Services Update-Reporting Progress: Building our Vision for the Future, Special Education Services in our District-Associate Superintendent Alison McDonnell, Kendra Swaine, Frontenac Secondary School and Ashley Lamonte, LaSalle Secondary School**

K. Swaine (Frontenac S.S.) and A. Lamonte (LaSalle S.S.) shared a presentation about the new Peer Network programs that ran at their respective schools this year. The program aims to improve social interactions and positive peer relationships between students accessing School-to-Community services and neuro-typical students. The schools developed programs/courses, such as Lunch Buddies, PAL Gym, Coffee Clubs and more.

A. Martin asked how the program recruited neuro-typical students to participate. K. Swaine and A. Lamonte replied that they both worked closely with Student Services staff and the Physical Education staff at Frontenac for the PAL Gym course.

It was confirmed that students who took the PAL Gym course would get a gym credit.

C. Tooley thanked the staff involved in the program, stating how much the program has had a positive impact on her son's life.

Associated Superintendent McDonnell thanked K. Swaine and A. Lamonte for their hard work and dedication to their students.

7. **Correspondence**

None at this time.

8. **Association Updates**

As circulated with the meeting package.

9. **Other Business**

Ministry Updates - Associate Superintendent Alison McDonnell

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- PPM 161-DRAFT AP-Prevalent Health Conditions
 - i) Service Delivery Updates for 2018-2019 School Year
 - ii) Special Education Plan for 2018-2019 School Year
 - iii) Multi-Year Accessibility Plan for 2018-2022

These items were deferred due to lack of quorum.

10. Next Meeting Date

September 19, 2018

11. Adjournment

The meeting ended at 7:10 p.m.