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Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

MEETING NOTICE – March 2, 2015 at 7:00 pm

TO: Association for Bright Children Autism Society of Ontario – Toronto Brain Injury Society of Toronto Community Living Toronto Down Syndrome Association of Toronto Easter Seals Ontario Epilepsy Toronto Learning Disabilities Association Toronto VOICE for Hearing Impaired Children North East Community Reps North West Community Reps South East Community Reps South West Community Reps South West Community Alternate Trustees	Diana Avon Lisa Kness Cynthia Sprigings Clovis Grant Richard Carter Deborah Fletcher Steven Lynette Mark Kovats Paul Cross Aline Chan Phillip Sargent Olga Ingrahm Nora Green Ken Stein Tiffany Ford	Catherine Drillis Ginny Pearce Michelle McDonald Margarita Isakov Elaine Dodsworth-Lever Adebukola Adenowo-Akpan Sheelagh Hysenaj Jean-Paul Ngana Jordan Glass Paula Boutis Alexander Brown Howard Kaplan
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Item	Business	Time
1.	Call to Order/Quorum	5 min
2.	Approval of the Agenda	
3.	Declaration of Possible Conflicts of Interest	
4.	Confirmation of Minutes	5 min
5.	Review of SEAC Mandate and General Meeting Protocol	5 min
6.	Member Introductions All SEAC members are invited to give a brief self-introduction (round-robin fashion)	15 min
7.	Presentations/Delegations/Consultations Down Syndrome Association of Toronto	15 min
8.	SEAC Business & Open Discussion Special Education Budget Shortfall – SEAC Advocacy Strategy (Members)	30 min
9.	Business Arising from the February Minutes Item 6.1: Requests for specific kinds of data for advocacy purposes (Members) Item 6.2: Working Group volunteers re Concussion Policy Procedures (Members) Item 7.2: Volunteer facilitators for Parent Conference (Margo Ratsep) Item 8: Use of Communication Tracker (Nora Green) Item 11.2: Assistive Technology Conference participants (Jeff Hainbuch) Item 13.3: Ministry of Education Redefinition of Gifted Program (Uton Robinson)	15 min
10.	Trustee Reports and Follow-up on Previous Action Items	5 min
11.	Reports/Updates from Active SEAC Subcommittees	

AGENDA – SEAC Meeting January 12, 2015 (continued)

12.	Special Education Department Updates (Uton Robinson, Anne Seymour, Jeff Hainbuch)	10 min
13.	Correspondence Received by the Chair <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Email dated February 10, 2015 from Barry Finlay, Director, Special Education Policy and Programs Branch, Ministry of Education, to SEAC Chair re (a) Invitation to Provincial SEAC Conference, and (b) presentation proposal form 2. Letter dated January 26, 2015 from Minister of Education Liz Sandals re Welcome to New SEAC Chair 3. Copy of letter dated February 6, 2015 to Minister of Education Liz Sandals from Kate O'Donnell, SEAC Chair for Grand Erie DSB re Ontario Regulation 274/12 Teacher Hiring Practices 4. Copy of letter dated February 6, 2015 to Minister of Education Liz Sandals from Evelyn Swanson, SEAC Chair for Renfrew County DSB re Ontario Regulation 274/12 Teacher Hiring Practices 	5 min
14.	New Business <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Response to Correspondence Item 1. – decision re member participation in Provincial SEAC Conference 	5 min
15.	Agenda Setting for Future Meetings April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sense of Belonging Research May Member Presentation – Brain Injury Society of Toronto Future Presentation/Consultation Topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On-going Budget Consultation • Assistive Technology Strategy • Special Education Support Staff • Refusal to Admit • Mental Health Strategy 	5 min
16.	Adjournment	

Reminders:

SEAC-PIAC Parent Conference – Saturday, March 28, 2015

Next SEAC meeting – Monday, April 13, 2015