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*Special Education Services*

Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting  
May 20

Relationships are key, so the student will trust and follow the coach

### **Correspondence - Renfrew Catholic DSB letter**

The letter is in support of Bill 172, however there have been no evidence of this Bill since February.

The group reviewed the NNDSB draft letter of support that ensures all Boards are establishing FASD policies and guidelines that would include best practices.

The group supported the draft letter and confirmed that just signatures from the Chair and Vice-Chair are needed.

### **OPSBA letter**

The group reviewed the letter written on behalf of the Northern School Boards.

The NNDSB special education team responded to the areas of strengths and areas of needs.

The group confirmed that the input provided was appropriate and sufficient in this letter.

**Motion:** The Near North DSB SEAC is in full support of Chair Aspin signing this letter and forwarding to the MPP.

Approver: Harry Fry

Secunder: Louise Sargent

### **Capital planning and accommodation updates**

The new JK-12 build timeline/details has been shared with families.

Two sub-committees have been formed to support programming and the finer construction details.

### **Special Education Plan**

The group reviewed the changes/updates to the plan that was made available in the SEAC package.

There are five sections that change annually: Data re IPRC's, Special Education Staffing, Professional Development activities provided over the current school year, Accessibility to school building projects and SEAC contact information and activities (including motions passed over the year).

**Motion:** *That the Special Education Plan 2020 - 2021 be approved as amended and forwarded to the Near North District School Board with recommendation for approval.*

Approver: Chris Guillemette

Secunder – Alan Bottomley

### **Special Education Budget**

Acting Superintendent of Business Wally Easton spoke to the group.

There have not been a lot of overall changes in the grants for school boards.

The Ministry has spent a lot of time and funding around COVID.

Superintendent Easton discussed the special education breakdown and how some funding is now integrated into the GSN for this year.

The GSN's and technical paper were released in early May.

**Motion:** To extend the timing of the SEAC meeting to 3:30pm.

Approver: Harry Fry

Secunder: Alan Bottomley

