

Combined Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Time: 3:30 pm

Location: Board Office Meeting Room

In Attendance: Valerie Ross (Co-Chair) – MDSAB Trustee
Karen Chakasim – Child & Youth Milopemahtesewin Services (CYMS Payukotayno)
Brian Panaligan – James Bay Association for Community Living
Shawn Klingenberg – NLSS Principal
Katie Gandy – NLSS SERT
Yvonne Morrison – NLSS SERT
Andrea Haule – MPS Vice-Principal
Kathy Gunner – MPS SERT
Kelly Tomatuk – MPS SERT
Angela Tozer – JBLSSB & MDSAB Director of Education

Regrets: Pauline Sackaney (Co-Chair) – JBLSSB Trustee
Terah Racine – JBLSSB & MDSAB Mental Health Lead
Stacey Jolly – Parent

Call to Order: Meeting started at 3:36 pm

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Andrea Haule seconded by Shawn Klingenberg

Approval of March 28, 2023 Minutes: Moved by Kelly Tomatuk, seconded by Karen Chakasim

Communications to Parents/Caregivers/Guardians – *How is this done? What does this look like?*

IEP/IPRC and Programming Supports @ MPS

- MPS pamphlet (In-School Special Education Resource Team – Process – IEP – IPRC) was shared with SEAC members and a walk-through was provided as this pamphlet is shared with parents / caregivers / guardians
- IEP's are mainly complete by the classroom teacher and supported by SERT's, IEP's need to be developed within the first 30 days of school, an online tool is used to create IEP that is accessible by multiple staff who are supporting the IEP and/or monitoring the IEP
- IPRC are held in the Spring of each school year, were a review of successes and next steps are determined, SERT, classroom teacher and parents attend and input – focus is on planning for the next school year

IEP/IPRC and Programming Supports @ NLSS

- NLSS pamphlet is used to briefly share IEP/IPRC/Programming Supports, this is a compliment to the PARENT Special Education Guide for Students Attending: Northern Lights Secondary School
- IEP's are mainly created by SERT's and supported by the 4 course teachers, IEP's are completed in the first 30 days of semester one and then revised in the first 30 days of semester two, an online tool is used to create IEP that is accessible by multiple staff who are supporting the IEP and/or monitoring the IEP

- IPRC, NLSS attends feeder school grade 8 IPRC meeting in the Spring, NLSS host IPRC meetings in the Fall and if the parent/guardian can waive the IPRC if they are happy and there are no changes being made to the last IPRC recommendations

Special Education Assessment Partnership Follow-up

- Education Psychologist will be on-site the week of May 11th
- MPS and NLSS will be working with Karen Chakasim – Child & Youth Milopemahtesewin Services to determine student assessment needs and come up with a schedule based on student priorities

Special Education Board Plan Review

James Bay Lowlands Secondary School Board Plan

- Highlight provided of revisions made to IPRC statistics, staffing compliment, and professional development

Moosonee District School Area Board Plan

- Highlight provided of revisions made to IPRC statistics, staffing compliment, specialized health support services updated information, and professional development
- Further revisions were discussed about adding in non-identified student data and to make further revisions to the Parent's Guide to Special Education appendix

SEAC Recommendations

- Discussion / revision session took place to create combined SEAC recommendations based on the existing ones in the JBLSSB Special Education Board Plan, as the MDSAB did not have existing SEAC recommendations in place

New Business:

- None

Other Business:

- Bring forward revised combined SEAC recommendations at next meeting

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 @ 3:30 pm

Adjournment: Meeting ended at 4:32 pm, Moved by Andrea Haule seconded by Kelly Tomatuk