

## Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting (SEAC)

Hybrid Model – November Meeting

November 26, 2025, 4:30pm

### ATTENDANCE

Chairperson:	Donna Nielsen, CDSBEO Trustee
Trustee(s):	Karen McAllister, Trustee Representative
Members Present:	Tom Jordan, Family and Children's Services of LLG Amy Malyon, Beyond 21 Jayne Stoddart, Rural FASD, Alternate Carrie Onstein, Career Services of Brockville Ryan Billing, Career Services of Brockville, Alternate
Members Absent:	Tracy Mertz (Vice-Chair), Rural FASD Susie Trotter, Child & Youth Mental Health Services, Cornwall Community Hospital Anna Lafrance, Easter Seals Nicki Hughes, Epilepsy South Eastern Ontario Kaitlyn Bissonnette, CAS SD&G Sue Wilson, Trustee, Alternate Cathie Knapp-Fisher, Family and Children's Services of LLG, Alternate Angela Carson, Beyond 21, Alternate
Board Administration:	Brent Bovaird, Superintendent of School Effectiveness Angela McNamee, Principal of Special Education Sarah Price, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent Bovaird

#### 1. Welcome and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 4:30pm

#### 2. Land Acknowledgement, Opening Prayer & Connection to the 2025-2030 Multi-Year Strategic Plan

#### 3. Approval of Agenda

##### Motion

To approve the agenda for our October 29<sup>th</sup> SEAC meeting as presented.

**Moved by: Tom Jordan**

***Carried***

#### 4. Receiving of approved minutes from Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

The minutes from our October meeting were electronically approved by committee members on October 31<sup>st</sup>. These minutes are available to the public on the CDSBEO Board website.

**5. CDSBEO Multi-Year Strategic Plan 2025-2030 – Shelley Montgomery, Director of Education**

Director Shelley Montgomery presented the CDSBEO Multi-Year Strategic Plan for 2025–2030, highlighting its commitment to fostering inclusive and faith-based learning environments. The plan emphasizes the four foundational tenets: to belong, fostering faithful, inclusive and supportive communities that establish the conditions of belonging; to believe, strengthening the faith of students and staff through the hope that is Catholic Education; to nurture, creating safe, supportive and healthy learning environments by leveraging all available resources; and to learn, improving student achievement and well-being by supporting diverse learning needs. Director Montgomery outlined how these pillars will shape initiatives that strengthen student engagement, equity, and achievement across all schools.

**6. Motion to Adjourn November Meeting**

That the meeting be adjourned at 4:59pm

**Moved by: Karen McAllister** **Carried**

**Topics for Presentations 2025-2026**

- Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025: Best Buddies in CDSBEO Schools
- Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025: Mental Health – Parent Information
- Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025: 2025-2030 Multi-Year Strategic Plan
- Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025: Calm, Connected & Compassionate: The Impact of Board Wide BMS Training
- Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026: Epilepsy South Eastern Ontario
- Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026: ABA Strategies
- Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026: Beyond 21
- Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026: Supporting Students who are Blind/Low Vision
- Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026: Reading Intervention
- June 2026: 2025-2026 CDSBEO Special Education Funding Expenditures