3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: M. Fuduric Seconded by: J. Conrad

That SEAC approve the Agenda for November 13, 2024.

The motion was carried.

4. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: M. Fuduric

Seconded by: T. McCarthy

That SEAC approve the Minutes of October 9, 2024.

The motion was carried.

5. Business Arising as a Result of the Minutes

Please send SEAC Committee Members the Ministry of Education presentation.

6. Special Education Presentation

B. Rota presented our Breaking Barriers: Adapted Physical Education grant. In 2023-2024 GECDSB was awarded a \$40,000 Breaking Barriers grant for adapted baseball in partnership with the Toronto Blue Jays Jays Care Affiliate School Program. Four leadership classes received one day training from the Jays Care Affiliate Program and were responsible for two days of our All-Star Game activities. Every STEPS and GAINS Classroom had the opportunity to join a Leadership class for a day at the Miracle League Fields in Riverside or Amherstburg. The day was paid in full through the grant. The program teaches athletes living with disabilities the core life skills inherent to baseball, including teamwork, communication, determination, resiliency, inclusion, support and courage. Jays Care provided athletes with t-shirts, hats and adaptive equipment so they could represent their teams. Communication aids we

Psychologists/Speech and Language Pathologists/Communicative Disorders Assistants. A change in delivery model for speech and language to support a mixed model of consultation and direct service. The service delivery model for psychological assessments would be examined to support a centralized list of students waiting for assessments and psychological consultations. A centralized list will help ensure that all students have equal access to the necessary assessments. Restructure supports for students in RISE

environment. Sessions will be led by community partners, as well as members of the GECDSB Special Education Team. Secondary Educators took part in subject specific areas. Secondary STEPS, MAPS and LSTs focus on providing varied learning experiences. A number of PSSP team members will be leading PD sessions for staff across the system. Members of the Psychology team will engage in additional learning experiences including the Dorothy Hill Memorial Symposium.

T. McCarthy suggested for future professional development a parent/student forum.

Special Education Survey

C. Mills shared the feedback from our Special Education Survey. The format is a little different this year, it was well received by the committee. The feedback will be shared with the committee members.

8. New Business

10. Distribution

Autism Ontario Pathways to Special Education Support: Meet & Greet for Families Regional Assessment and Resource Centre (RARC) - Parent Workshop Series RARC Post-Secondary Transition Information Night

K. McKinley - next month, will choose a new chair want to thank all of you for your support.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.



NEXT MEETING, December 11, 2024

Board Meeting Minutes available on **GECDSB** website.

Vicki Houston, Director of Education

Chris Mills, Administrative Liaison

Ministry SEAC website