

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Guided by Gospel Values and Catholic Virtues, in partnership with home and Church, we educate and inspire all students to reach their full potential in a safe and caring environment.

MINUTES of the SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A regular meeting was held in a hybrid format in person at CEC, 320 Bloomington Rd. W and virtually over Google Meet on **February 12, 2024** at **7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

9.0 Correspondence

PVNCCDSB SIP Funding

Items 7.0-9.0 Received on block (Wigston/Legri)

10.0 Presentations / Discussions

10.1 Vince's Market Grocery Trip

This presentation highlighted SHH FLS Students exploring and learning in the community. Students had the opportunity to learn about the workings of the grocery store, became special helpers for the day, and witnessed how orders are received from a delivery truck! This trip helped prepare them for work experience and to learn about and connect with the local community.

10.2 Student Services Department updates

Superintendent Candido presented a recap of programs and services delivered by the Student Services department over the last month. Additional information found on page 3-4.

11.0 Business Arising

Nil

12.0 Action Items

Nil

13.0 Association Reports

Nil

14.0 Items for Future Agendas

YRT Presentation

Play Day PA Day

15.0 Next Meeting: Monday March 4, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m. in a hybrid format over Google Meet and at CEC Board office, 320 Bloomington Rd W Aurora ON

16.0 Motion to adjourn at 7:58 p.m.

Meeting adjourned (Xue / Zhou)

10.2 Student Services Updates (February)

Speech & Language Services to date this school year:

The 12 SLPs supporting elementary schools have completed over 800 assessments and provided over 225 intervention sessions;

The newly created YCDSB AAC team of the YCDSB Speech and Language Services department has provided 473 visits in support of 204 different YCDSB students who use alternative/augmentative means of communication. Along with providing direct support to students, this team of Speech Language Pathologists and Communicative Disorders

Elementary Special Ed

Our ILIT teachers have moved on to their second term for the year, and are currently completing screening assessments to create the groups they will be working with during term 2. We have continued to see great progress from students who participated in the program first term

Our Grade 5 and 6 PACE students have received Lego Robotics kits, and teachers participated in an online training session with a representative from Spectrum to get them started. We look forward to seeing the robots they create.

Our Consultants are busily planning a Family of Schools event for all of our Special Education Teachers which will take place on Feb. 21 and 22. For half the day teachers will participate in an active training session on using manipulatives to supplement their program when teaching math, and they will be bringing back a bag filled with manipulatives to use in their schools. The second ½ of the day will be training on SEA programs available to our students with reading and writing challenges. We will have a gallery walk set up in the foyer with representatives from all departments in Student Services including SLP, Behaviour resource, ABA services, physical management as well as hearing and vision.

Secondary Special Education

On Thursday of last week, our secondary staff and students attended the annual YCDSB Best Buddies Vale

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