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**Meeting Attendance:**

The SNAC meeting of May 18<sup>th</sup> was well attended by 17 SNAC members and 7 members of the public. Members representing outside committees, unions and associations included: D. Olivenstein of Council of Commissioners, C. Finn of S.S.D., E. Olsthoorn of S.S.D, A. Tenant of P.T.U., and M. Hunt of P.E.P.

**Meet & Greet Event:**

Prior to the meeting, SNAC was pleased to host a “Meet & Greet” dinner with parents of students on an IEP who sit on their respective Governing Boards as the IEP Parent Representative to Governing Board. Parent representatives shared their positive experiences in this role, and look forward to continuing next year.

**Presentation to SNAC on the "Work-Oriented Training Path" Program:**

SNAC received a special presentation by Peter Gilson from ESD on the “Work-Oriented Training Path (WOTP)” program that is offered at 8 LBPSB high schools. The program is offered in two streams: (1) Prework Training; and (2) Training for a Semiskilled Trade. Mr. Gilson provided a detailed description of what these impressive WOTP programs offer to students that require an alternative to traditional high school education. SNAC offered to help increase awareness of the WOTP programs by adding information to the [SNAC website](#).

**Consultations:**

SNAC submitted a response to 2 consultations in May: “[5-year Strategic Plan](#)” and “[3-year Plan of Immovables](#)”

**SNAC’s MSC Transition Plans Recommendations:**

As a follow-up to [SNAC’s recommendations](#), the committee was advised that while written MSC Transition Plans will not be implemented, internal SSD procedures have been adjusted to reflect many of SNAC’s suggestions.

**IEP Parent on Governing Board:**

As a result of SNAC’s and CPC’s efforts last year, a new role of IEP Parent Representative on Governing Board was introduced this year. SNAC is aware of 9 Elementary and 3 High School representatives that have been elected to their GBs. A [Q&A document](#) to clarify the role of this position was prepared by SNAC and shared with all GBs via CPC. At the Joint Regional Parents’ Committee Meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>, it was recommended that SNAC request the aid of Administration to request that all Principals inform the parents at every school about this optional position, prior to the school AGMs next year.

**SNAC AGM: Election Process and Date** (date TBC, please check the SNAC website for updates)

At the April SNAC meeting, the committee established September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as the optimal date for the SNAC Annual General Meeting. The committee is awaiting confirmation from Administration on the date, and the AGM election process that will be followed. Historically, any parent of a student on an IEP who is interested in joining SNAC can nominate themselves to join the committee, and new positions are filled by majority vote at the AGM. Four voting parent positions and 5 non-voting parent positions are available, as per [the SNAC Constitution](#) which was approved early this year. SNAC parent members expressed that they believe the existing election procedure for SNAC parent members and Special Needs Parent Commissioner works well and should continue.

Respectfully submitted,

Brett Hillgartner, Chairperson, LBPSB Special Needs Advisory Committee 2015-2016

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