

**Special Needs Advisory Committee  
Minutes of Annual Election and Assembly  
Wednesday, September 30, 2009**

In attendance: Anne Smart, Margo Edwards, Safak Eran-Tasker, David O'Leary, Shannon McCormick, Helen Finn, Hope Carney, Peter Barszezewski, Tamara DiGiglio, Lynda Robitaille, Richard Haddad, Tracy Worthington, Sean O'Reilly, Jennifer Duthig, Terry Iacobacci, Peter Rakobowchuk, Juan-Carlos Cruz, Judith Waugh, Brian Hewitt, Ovidiu Burlec, Angela Whelton-Quinn, Lorraine Meilleur, Cindy Finn, Joanne Simoneau-Polenz, Christopher Fuzessy

**Meeting was called to order at 7:35 by Cindy Finn.**

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

Agenda presented and accepted with no additions.

**2. Introduction & Review of Mandate**

Cindy Finn welcomed the parents and introduced the returning members of the Special Needs Advisory Committee and the School Board representatives in attendance.

The mandate of the Special Needs Advisory Committee (SNAC) was explained by Helen Finn.

**3. Review of Election Procedures**

Angela Whelton reviewed the composition of SNAC. Members were sought to fill three 2 year positions and two alternate positions. Anne Smart, David O'Leary and Angela Whelton were introduced as the returning members of the committee.

**4. Presentation of Candidates:**

Seven candidates in total presented themselves for consideration.

**5. Election**

Five parents were elected as follows:

2 year terms:	Helen Finn, Lorraine Meilleur, Sean O'Reilly
Alternates:	Lynda Robitaille, Judith Waugh

**6. Adjournment of General Assembly**

General assembly adjourned at 8:15pm

**7. Second meeting to elect the executives of the Special Needs Advisory Committee**

The purpose of the second meeting was to elect representatives to various board committees and to elect the SNAC executive committee. Elections were held for the position of Chair and all other positions were acclaimed.

Election results:	
Chairperson	Helen Finn
Vice-Chairperson	Lorraine Meilleur
Treasurer	Anne Smart
Secretary	Sean O'Reilly
Rep. to CPC	David O'Leary
Alternate to CPC	Sean O'Reilly
Rep. to Ed. Committee	Helen Finn alternate Angela Whelton
Rep. to Council	Angela Whelton
Rep to Adult/Voc Ed	Angela Whelton
Member (alternate)	Lynda Robitaille
Member (alternate)	Judith Waugh

### **8. Meeting Dates 2009-2010**

The schedule of meeting dates was set for the year and will be distributed via email to members.

### **9. Varia**

Discussion took place concerning the major school change process. It was agreed that all members will read the Major School Change Consultation documents prior to the October 14<sup>th</sup> SNAC meeting. Cindy Finn will invite Steve Balleine, Senior Director, to the October meeting for a presentation on Major School Change.

### **10. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:02pm

Date of next meeting: October 14, 2009 at 7:00pm in room 219/221