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**SNAC Priority Projects:**

SNAC members have been busy and are making great progress on the priority projects identified in January:

- The final version of the SNAC Pamphlet was adopted, and the high volume print will follow soon.
- An IEP Resource Kit was discussed, including a folder that parents could use to organize their IEP documents. The Kit would include the SNAC pamphlet as well as IEP Preparation documents. The layout and costs for enough folders for all students with IEPs throughout the school board was approved. Various ideas were discussed as to how to best distribute the Kits to both new and existing parents in the system.
- A free parent seminar will be held in the LBPSB Boardroom on May 23, 2012: “Advocating for the Child in the School System, A Toolbox for Parents”, by Maureen Hunt. Only a small number of parents have confirmed thus far, so a discussion ensued regarding the best method for ensuring that all parents of Special Needs students receive the invitation, to be discussed at the upcoming Administrator’s and Regional Director’s meetings. Refreshments are planned. Printouts of the presentation, along with free pens from LEARN Quebec, the SNAC pamphlet, and a feedback questionnaire will be provided to all attendees.

**LBPSB Special Needs Policy Review:**

The SNAC Chair and Vice Chair made a detailed presentation to the Special Needs Policy Review Subcommittee to express the suggestions and concerns of the SNAC committee with respect to the LBPSB Special Needs Policy. Specific references to clauses in the policies of other school boards were provided. The presentation was very well received, and SNAC was advised that every effort would be made to include the suggestions wherever possible. SNAC is expected to be requested to provide additional feedback when the first draft of the new policy has been prepared. Until that time, SNAC has also offered itself as a resource for any important points of discussion.

**LBPSB Council/Executive Consultation:** SNAC suggests to avoid any religious holidays.

**SNAC Internal Constitution:** A number of adjustments were discussed, including increasing the number of Alternate committee members, and rules for email voting. A final version is expected to be ratified at the next meeting.

**Partnership between SNAC and SWLSB SEAC:** The Chair and Vice Chair of each group have extended an invitation to each other’s workshops on April 26 and May 23.

**SNAC AGA:** The potential date of September 19, 2012 was discussed, and will be based on availability of the boardroom at the school board.

**Next Meeting:** The next SNAC meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 30, 2012 at 7pm at the board.

Respectfully submitted,

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