

**GREATER ESSEX COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
REPORT OF THE
SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Special Education Advisory Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 via Microsoft Teams Meeting

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Aimee Onstead, Trustee

Cathy Cooke, Trustee

Martha Vukov, Community Living Windsor-Essex County

Jan Matte-Gasparovic, Autism Ontario

Bette Turner, Home and School Instruction

Monica Gilles, Windsor-Essex County Down Syndrome Association

Mary Ann Fuduric, Learning Disabilities Association of Windsor-Essex County

Sheila Ruggaber, Epilepsy Southwestern Ontario

BOARD PERSONNEL

Mike Wilcox, Superintendent of Special Education Services

Kristie Sweet, Supervising Principal of Special Education Services

REGRETS

Suzanne Kovach, Parents for Children's Mental Health

Kimberly John, Indigenous Community Representative

Michelle Loves, OPC Elementary Representative

Theresa Williams, OPC Secondary Representative

ABSENT

RECORDER

Peggy Russette

1. Call to Order

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADMSSOR/COMMITTEE

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5 Special Education Presentation

Supporting Anti-Racism Education Update – Rachel Olivero

Rachel Olivero is the Equity and Inclusive Education Officer for the Greater Essex County District School Board. She directed the SEAC committee members to specific links on the Boards website that explain their commitment to

Diversity – The presence of a wide range of human qualities and attributes within a group organization or society.

Equity – A condition or state of fair, inclusive and respectful treatment of all people.

Inclusive Education – Education that is based on the principles of accepting and inclusion of all students.

The document Supporting Anti-Racism Education, is being created to provide information on all topics covered through related links on the Boards website. A survey has been created on the Boards website, Draft: Supporting Anti-Racism Education Regulation Framework January 2021, seeking public input and feedback

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DgHjbDo7FEai29tzsY8tr9FoYsWG-fII-uMDp4tdUNVA3IEsyMkLUQIdPRDLQIRZNIERSRzVFSi4u>

The deadline to complete this survey is March 3, 2021.

6 Special Education Update

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Boardmaker: Expedition Education and Activities to Go

