

## Special Education Advisory Committee

Friday, Dec 10, 2010 @ 1:30 p.m.

Saint Thomas Aquinas

# Minutes

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**Present:** Harry Favreau, Dianne Griffiths, Norine Schram, Tom Fawcett, Estelle Cantera, Diane VanderZande, Phyllis Eikre, Murray Delorme, Teresa Gallik

**Guests:** Ms. Sylvia Coma, Mr. Paul White

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- 1. Welcome and Prayer:** Diane VanderZande said the opening prayer and welcomed the staff of Saint Thomas Aquinas High School.
- 2. School Presentation:** Sylvia Coma and Mr. Paul White of St. Thomas Aquinas High School shared with SEAC some of their new and innovative programs and services that are in place this year for their students. SEAC was treated to a festive spread of dainties and drinks all prepared by the students. A Video clip of their Nordic ski team with a demonstration of a modified sitski used by one of the team's students rounded off the tremendous presentation. SEAC was thoroughly impressed and wishes to thank all the staff and students at TA for their successful, all inclusionary, practices.

**3. Approval of agenda and minutes**

**Harry Favreau**

Accepted as written.

**4. Correspondence:**

**Harry Favreau**

Information was handed out on MACSE. Members will review this and bring any discussion forward at the January meeting.

**5. Business arising from last meeting:**

**Harry Favreau**

Concern as to what happened to the motion SEAC made to the Board at the June meeting was brought up. The motion was not presented or discussed at a board or committee meeting. Theresa and Phyllis will follow up on this.

**6. New Business/ Agency reports:**

Review of Unit Two of the SEAC Website was tabled to the next meeting. Members are asked to review their sections and summarize at the January SEAC Meeting.

***Reports from:***

Dianne Griffiths, rep for The Canadian Hearing Society spoke about the Hearing project to support accessibility. Vicom, telemedicine will be unitized for outreach support for northern clients with hearing lose sensitivity.

**7. Trustee Report:**

Teresa Gallik brought regret on behalf of Mike Favreau and informed SEAC that she would be the SEAC trustee rep for the upcoming term.

**8. Coordinator's Report:**

**Estelle Cantera**

Letters for nomination for the New SEAC committee will be going out.

**Next Meeting:      Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011 @ 1:30 p.m.  
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