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SNAC Mandate and Composition: SNAC is working on formalizing an official document outlining SNAC's mandate and composition that will be forwarded to council for approval. This month Mme. Genevieve Dugré, the Secretary General, came to help SNAC prepare its mandate and composition document. She provided SNAC with a sample template for the committee to work from and presented on the items from Bill 105 as they pertain to SNAC. SNAC is currently reviewing the document and hopes to have it approved at the March meeting.

<u>SNAC Rules of Internal Management</u>: After careful review, SNAC has approved its internal rules of management.

<u>Advising on the Implementation of an IEP</u>: Discussions were held on how the committee will manage its mandate of advising the board on the implementation of a student's IEP (as stated in section 187 of the Education Act). The committee will further discuss how this responsibility should be exercised and managed if the situation should arise.

SNAC Representation at Kindergarten Open House: One of the representatives from SNAC attended a kindergarten open house; and has received an invitation from the school's administration to come back on kindergarten orientation to provide SNAC information to parents. SNAC welcomes invitations from schools to attend kindergarten orientation evenings and open houses. If you have an event that you would like to have a member of SNAC attend, please contact SNAC at snac@lbpearson.ca.

SNAC Invitation to a H&S Meeting: SNAC received an email invitation to have a parent member of SNAC present at a Home and School Association meeting. They are looking for a parent member to give a brief presentation on the IEP process from a parent's perspective. SNAC welcomes these types of invitations, and several parent members have volunteered to attend.

SNAC Priorities for the 2016-2017 Committee:

- **SNAC New Member Kit**: SNAC hopes to develop a kit for new members before the end of the year. The purpose of the kit will be not only to aid new members, but to also give prospective members some insight into the mandate and functioning of SNAC.
- **IEP Parent Representative on Governing Board**: A subcommittee has been formed to review the current documentation on this position; SNAC is looking to clarify the role of this position.
- **SNAC Transition to High School Workshop**: A subcommittee has been formed to look at organizing a transition to high school workshop specific for parents of students on IEPs and with special needs. More details to come.

Budget Consultation Response: SNAC is currently preparing their budget consultation response.

SNAC Website: From Nov. 16, 2016 - Jan. 16, 2017 there have been 698 main page hits and 37 webcast hits. From Jan. 16-Feb. 15 2017 there have been 420 main page hits and 34 webcast hits.

<u>Next Meeting:</u> Wednesday March 15th at 7pm at the school board.

Respectfully submitted,Jennifer DiMarcoChair of the LBPSB Special Needs Advisory Committee 2016-2017