



GREATER ESSEX COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Agenda

Wednesday, May 13, 2026
Board Committee Room
1:00 PM

Please notify Chairperson Kim McKinley or Melissa Beaton in advance if accommodations are required.

1. Call to Order

2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands and Water

We acknowledge that we are on land and surrounded by water, originally inhabited by Indigenous Peoples who have travelled this area since time immemorial. This territory is within the lands honoured by the Wampum Treaties; agreements between the Anishinaabe (Ah-nish-e-naa-bay), Haudenosaunee (Hoe-den-oh-show-nee), Lenni (Len-eh) Lenape (Lenaw-pay) and allied Nations to peacefully share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. Specifically, we would like to acknowledge the presence of the Huron/Wendat (Wendat) Peoples and the Three Fires Confederacy Ojibwe (Oh-jib-way), Odawa (Oh-dah-wah), Potawatomi (Paw-taw-watt-ohme). We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture while remaining committed to moving forward respectfully with all First Nations, Inuit and Métis.

3. Attendance

4. Approval of Agenda

Action

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That SEAC approve the agenda of the SEAC meeting of May 13, 2026.

5. Declaration of conflict of interest

6. Approval of Minutes

Action

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That SEAC approve the minutes of the SEAC meeting of April 8, 2026.

7. Business Arising as a Result of the Minutes

8. Special Education Presentation

Information

- Breaking Barriers Grant - Experiential Learning – S. Solly

9. Special Education Updates

Information

- Professional Development Updates – L. Bates
- Special Education Plan Review – L. Bates

- Special Education events/dates
 - Speech and Hearing Month
 - Education Week – May 4, 2026
 - National AccessAbility Week – May 31 to June 6, 2026
 - Miracle League Days – May 19, 25 and 26, 2026 & June 2, 3 and 11, 2026 at Libro Centre Amherstburg

10. Items for Future Agendas

11. Association Reports

Information

12. Distribution

- Waterloo Region District School Board – Provincial Proposal to Replace Trustees with Provincially Appointed Supervisors
- Waterloo Region District School Board – Support for Funding Priorities for Students with Special Education and Mental Health Needs
- Waterloo Region District School Board – Letter to Minister Calandra
- Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board – Provincial Proposal to Replace Trustees with Provincially Appointed Supervisors

13. Adjournment



NEXT MEETING, June 10, 2026

Board Meeting Minutes available on [GEDSB website](#).

Vicki Houston, Director of Education

Chris Mills, Administrative Liaison

Kim McKinley, SEAC Chairperson

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