

Agenda

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 27, 2017 BOARDROOM 6:30 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

Chairperson: Kelly Smigielski Vice-chairperson: Maria Castiglione

TRUSTEES/MEMBERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MEETING ARE ASKED TO PLEASE NOTIFYSUSAN MARIUTTI, (705) 748-4861 ext. 227.

A.	Call	Call to Order:		
	1.	Opening Prayer: Arlene		
	2.	Approval of Agenda		
	3.	Declarations of Conflicts of Interest		
	4.	Excusal from Attendance R.A. That, be excused from attendance at the April 27, 2017 Special Education Advisory Committee meeting.		
5. Approval of the Minutes of the Ma		Approval of the Minutes of the March 9, 2017 meeting (A.5 attached)		
	6.	Business Arising from the Minutes		
В.	Recommended Actions/Presentations:			
	1.	Remarks: Chairperson		
	2.	Supporting Blind & Low Vision Students (Ann Lanz, Teacher of Blind/Visually Impaired)		
	3.	Sound Field Systems (Eric Hansen, Teacher of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing)		

Remarks: Superintendent of Learning/Special Education (Anne Marie Duncan,

Renewing the Promise (Laurie Corrigan, Superintendent of Learning/Innovation Technology)

Superintendent of Learning/Special Education)

5.

- 6. Special Education Support Recommendation Advisory Group Update
- 7. Report from SEAC members

Kelly Smigielski

Grandview Children Centre

- McDonald Restaurants in Ajax and Whitby will have their McHappy Day proceeds divided equally between Ronal McDonald House and Grandview Kids
- Spring/Summer Recreation program is now available and registration has begun. Summer camps include Little Critter camp, ages 4-7 with weekly themes such as Superhero, Disney, Dinosaur.
- Whitby Sunrise Rotary Club just donated an amazing \$75,000 to Grandview Kids. Wow!!

Maria Castiglione

Community Representative

• "Building Early Literacy in the Home and in Early Childhood Centre" workshop May 5, 2017. Information poster attached.

Michelle Montague

Kerry's Place Autism Services

- Copy of report attached.
- C. Information Items:
- D. Old Business:
- E. New Business:
- F. Next Meeting:
 - Thursday, May 25, 2017
 Boardroom, Catholic Education Centre 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.
 - 2. Agenda Items:
 - 3. Selection of Member for Opening/Closing Prayer

Future Meetings

Thursday, May 25, 2017 Thursday, June 22, 2017

G. Conclusion:

- 1. Closing Prayer: Arlene
- 2. Adjournment.

Building Early Literacy in the Home and in Early Childhood Centres

with Janice Greenberg, BSC., D.S.P.

Speech Language Pathologist and Director of Early Childhood Education Services at the Hanen Centre





Friday, May 5, 2017 • 8:00 – 3:30
Calvary Pentecostal Church • 1421 Lansdowne St W., Peterborough



Biography

Janice Greenberg, B.Sc., D.S.P., Reg. CASLPO, Speech-Language Pathologist, is Director of Early Childhood Education Services at The Hanen Centre. A co-author of the guidebooks, Learning Language and Loving It™ (Weitzman and Greenberg, 2002), ABC and Beyond™: Building Emergent Literacy in Early Childhood Settings (Weitzman and Greenberg, 2010) and I'm Ready: How to Prepare Your Child for Reading Success (Greenberg &

Weitzman, 2014), Ms. Greenberg is an experienced instructor, who lectures widely on how to apply the Hanen approach to support the language and literacy development of young children. Janice has over 35 years of clinical experience working with preschoolers and their families and educators. She has also been actively involved in evaluating the impact of Hanen Programs.

Workshop Objectives

Participants will learn how to:

- Engage children in conversation during book reading
- Promote vocabulary development
- Support children's understanding of stories
- Encourage children to use language to think and learn
- · Develop print knowledge
- Build phonological awareness

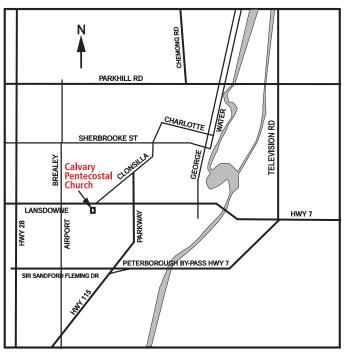
Building Early Literacy in the Home and in Early Childhood Centres

Friday, May 5, 2017 • 8:00 - 3:30

Registration and coffee 8:00 - 8:30

Calvary Pentecostal Church
1421 Lansdowne St W., Peterborough
(no food and drink in the auditorium)

\$75 professional \$35 parent/student



Building Early Literacy in the Home and in Early Childhood Centres

Registration, TO SLHAP, C/O SLHAP Conference, 1040 Hilliard Street, Peterborough Ontario, K9H 4S7

Name	Agency Affiliation	
Mailing Address	Postal Code	
Phone	Email	
I am participating as: □ Parent/Caregive	r □ Teacher □ Child Care Staff □ S.L.P. □ Student □ Other	

Lunch will be provided at the workshop with a choice of foods that include meat and vegetarian options. If you have a specific food allergy or diet, please bring your own prepared lunch so that you are assured that your dietary requirements are met. Regrettably, the committee is not able to provide a lunch which accommodates all of the food allergies which are likely to be present in a large group of people. Please bring your own water bottle. Styrofoam cups will be provided for tea and coffee.

Costs: Professional rate \$75.00, Parent/Student Rate \$35.00. Payment must be received by Friday, April 21, 2017.

Payment: By cheque made payable to Speech, Language and Hearing Association of Peterborough Or for further discussion about the option to pay by e-transfer please contact SLHAP@live.ca

Member update April, 2017

Kerry's Place Autism Services is pleased to offer the following groups, trainings, camps and group learning sessions:

Camps:

Summer Day Camp Opportunity:

https://secure.kerrysplace.org/reff/Programs.aspx?currenttab=Camps&i loc=

Groups:

Lego and Games Group:

This four week group is aimed at building social skills through games and lego activities. This group will focus on the following themes: greetings, turn-taking, asking to join in, sharing, sharing and personal space.

When: Monday, May 1 to May 31, 2017 (Excluding May 22)

Time: 4:30pm – 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$40.00

Where: Kerry's Place Autism Services – 1077 Boundary Rd., Suite 21

This group is for individuals 11-14 years of age.

Workshops:

Take advantage of some powerful and educational workshops available in May 2016. Don't miss these great learning opportunities.

Getting Ready for High School – May 5, 2017 9:30am – 12:30pm – Whitby Public Library

Advocating in High School -Preparing your child for high school -What to expect in High school, differences between high school and elementary -Strategies for preparing and during high school.

When Time, Energy & Resources Are Short: How to Take Action and Make Choices that Make the Biggest Positive Impact on the Person's Life – May 15, 2017 9:00am – 3:30pm – DAFRS (Oshawa)

This is a workshop for family members, supporters, and others who want to make positive change in the life of the person with disability but who have only limited time and resources. We will focus on learning what makes the biggest difference, how to recognize and design the most powerful scenarios, and how to guide supporters to play their part in maximizing the potential of every situation created. Participants will go away thinking differently about the person themselves, about our community and how to use it well. The material is presented in an interactive style with many local stories and examples and is designed from my understanding of the challenges facing families and workers locally at this time.

<u>Aiming Higher for Secondary School Inclusion-Thanks to the advocacy of multi-cultural</u> <u>Ontario families – May 23, 2017 9:30am – 12:30pm – Pickering Library</u>

Inclusive Education Consultant Marilyn Dolmage, and a panel of parents she supports, will describe what effective secondary school inclusion involves, why it is important and what it takes to achieve it, for students with autism.

<u>Understanding Challenging Behaviour – Saturday June 10, 2017 – 9:30am – 12:30pm – Whitby Central Library</u>

Challenging behaviour often exist because it is being inadvertently reinforced. This workshop will help participants understand the power of reinforcement and the reasons for challenging behaviours. This workshop will also provide participants with valuable evidence-based strategies to decrease challenging behaviours while at the same time increase desirable behaviour.

<u>What Doctors Don't Tell You and Teachers Don't Know – Saturday, May 27, 2017 10:00am – 4:00pm Peterborough Lions Club</u>

This workshop helps parents understand more than 30 issues common in Aspergers/ASD (children and teens who can speak and have no intellectual delay). It comes as a surprise to many parents that disorganization, chronic anxiety, sleep disturbances, clumsiness, grooming, eating, exercising, and homework problems are also part of the package. This workshop changes a parent's understanding of Asperger's/ASD in order to change their actions. Our goal is to help parents really understand their child's behaviours well enough to become educated advocates.

Group Learning Series (GLS):

Anxiety & ASD

One of the most commonly cited concerns we hear about day to day is the anxiety that people with Autism face day-to-day. This Group Learning Session (GLS) has been designed to help you recognize signs of Anxiety and learn what you can do about it. Come to learn more and be empowered on how to help your son/daughter/self gain a sense of control over life again!

Thursday April 27, 2017 6pm-8pm

Sexuality and ASD

How to promote healthy attitudes and positive socio-sexual relationships for people with ASD See flyer for details.

Thursday May 18, 2017 from 6pm-8pm

Self Regulation Using the 'Zones'

For most of us, controlling our emotions and body comes fairly naturally. However some people with self-regulation difficulties lack this innate ability to think through and succeed in everyday situations. Based on the Zones of Regulation program designed by Leah Kuypers, M. A. Ed., OTR/L, this group learning session aims to help individuals gain skills in the area of self-regulation. The learning activities are designed to help individuals recognize when they're in the different Zones (states of alertness/moods) as well as learn how to use strategies to regulate the Zone they are in. Zones' training provides strategies to teach individuals to become more aware of and independent in controlling their emotions and impulses, managing their sensory needs and improving their ability to problem solve conflicts. Practical ideas are provided that can easily be incorporated into most environments.

Tue May 30, 2017 from 5pm-7pm

Tuesday October 24, 2017 from 1-3pm

Tuesday November 21, 2017 5:30-7:30pm

A Parent's Guide to School Supports

Are you overwhelmed by the jargon in the education system? Don't know an IEP from an IOU? This Group Learning Session will help you to understand how to navigate the school system to help you get your child the support he or she requires. Through presentation and discussion this session will help you to better understand available school support, IPRC's, IEP's, Safety Plans and the Special Equipment Amount (SEA).

Wed Sep 20, 2017 from 6pm-8pm

Sensory Awareness

Do you ever wonder how sensory needs affect people with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)? Do you see or experience behaviours that just don't make sense? It may be sensory related! Many people with an ASD process sensory information from the world around them differently from others. Come to this informative Group Learning Session to learn more about the sensory system and how it affects people with ASD every day. Create a 'Sensory Profile' and learn how to support yourself/your child day to day, with a variety of examples and sensory strategies.

Wed Oct 18, 2017 from 12:30pm-2:30pm

My Child Has an ASD Diagnosis - Now What?

This Group Learning Session is intended for families whose child has received a diagnosis of ASD in the past year. It is often difficult to find information and support regarding Autism; this session will focus on community resources, understanding ASD and what it means to you and your family.

Thu Nov 16, 2017 from 12:30pm-2:30pm

Follow this link for more information and to register: https://secure.kerrysplace.org/community