

## ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 5, 2022

1:00 - 3:00 pm

Virtual - [meet.google.com/wao-edeo-sfs](https://meet.google.com/wao-edeo-sfs)

**Chairperson:** Laura Di Ianni

**Recorder:** Vicki Blakely

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**Members:** Laura Di Ianni, Linda Ainsworth, Chantal Bouillon, Michael Kaszuba, Theresa Godin, Eric Hansen, Jeannie Armstrong, Daniel Piggott, Galen Eagle, Richard Driscoll

**Absent:** David Bernier, Braden Leal, Darren Kahler, Corrie McInroy, Adam White, Melissa Featherstone, Teri Smith, Nora Shaughnessy Student Representative

**Recorder:** Vicki Blakely

### A. Call to Order

1. Welcome - Laura Di Ianni
2. Land Acknowledgment/Opening Prayer - Chantal Bouillon
3. Additions to the Agenda
  - a. None
4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Michael Kaszuba  
Second: Chantal Bouillon  
That the Agenda for May 5, 2022 be approved as presented.  
Carried
5. Approval of the [Minutes](#) of the Meeting of February 3, 2022

Motion: Michael Kaszuba  
Second: Chantal Bouillon  
That the Minutes of February 3, 2022 be approved as presented.  
Carried
6. Business arising from previous minutes
  - a. None

### **B. Information and Discussion Items**

1. [Being Community - National Accessibility Awareness Week: May 29 - June 4](#)
  - a) Student Art Contest (K-12): What does social accessibility mean to you?
  - b) Celebrating Social Accessibility at PVNC - seeking examples of inclusion in our PVNC communities through photos/videos.

National Accessibility Awareness Week is an opportunity to take time walking alongside one another listening to transform. Pope Francis has mentioned, the Pandemic further highlighted the disparities and affected the most vulnerable and that inclusion should be a priority.

The theme for National Accessibility Awareness Week this year is Social Accessibility, including attitudinal barriers. There will be a poster contest that will be used in future on the website and media.

2. Application to support students with disabilities:
  - a) The Ministry of Education is providing application-based funding for school boards to implement initiatives to prevent and remove accessibility barriers experienced by students with disabilities in the 2022-23 school year. Preventing and removing barriers for students with disabilities was a key focus in the [Kindergarten to Grade 12 Standards Development Committee \(K-12 SDC\) Final Report](#) and [the Accessible Transitions for Students with Disabilities in Kindergarten to Grade 12 \(K-12\) Report](#).
  - b) Recommendations from the reports include - awareness and training in developing adaptive and assistive tech in a more general level - not from a special education perspective but more generally for all staff.
  - c) Turning an eye to barriers with respect to transitions to look for possible funding. Transitions - develop a sub committee, including psychologist, speech language pathologists, consultants, to work on transitions from out of secondary school into community.
  - d) The grant would assist in implementing initiatives to prevent and remove accessibility barriers.

3. Updates from Stakeholders
  - a. Plant
    - i. No update from last report
    - ii. St. Mary Lindsay - elevator in progress
    - iii. Universal Washroom - Good Shepherd
  - b. Information Technology
    - i. Main corporate website is still ahead in regards to Accessibility
  - c. Transportation
    - i. none
  - d. Special Education
    - i. Application to Support Students with Disabilities
  - e. Human Resources

- i. All remain up to date in regards to AODA
- f. Health and Safety
  - i. None
- g. Communications
  - i. None
- h. CUPE
  - i. None
- i. OECTA
  - i. None
- j. Other
  - i. N/A

### **C. Conclusion**

1. Next Steps
2. Future Meetings
  - a. Operations Sub-Committee:
    - i. End of June to have an eye on multi-year accessibility plan to bring feedback in the fall
  - b. NAAW:
    - i. May 13, 2022
    - ii. May 20, 2022
  - c. Accessibility for All Meetings 2022-2023 (tentative):
    - i. October 13, 2022
    - ii. February 2, 2023
    - iii. May 4, 2023
3. Closing Prayer - Eric Hansen
4. Adjournment:

Motion: Galen Eagle  
Second: Michael Kaszuba  
That the Accessibility for All meeting of May 5, 2022 be adjourned at 1:35 p.m.  
Carried