

## Chair's Report

### Celebrations!

Minister John Milloy visited King William Centre to give an announcement of new funding for Literacy and Basic Skills to Hamilton. Trustee Mulholland also in attendance

- LBS allows adult learners to receive remedial support so that they can get their diploma
  - Provide day and night classes
  - Have a waiting list for those wanting the program
- LBS modified provides support to adults with special needs
  - Only program in Hamilton, not many in the province
  - 80% are on employment track
  - Computer based, software programs
- First new permanent funding in many years
- Very important to our community as people looking to upgrade their skills in time of economic difficulty
- Allows us to keep the night program which was in jeopardy and

Attended the Yes I Can awards council for Exceptional children

- 920 attended recognition event for children and educators and parents
- Largest ever: coming since 1985 when I was recognized
- Students recognized from many of our schools and from Parkview, Westmount, SAM, Orchard Park, Parkside, Glendale secondary
- Parent Tracey Sheriff and EAS elementary and secondary all from HWDSB
- "Our school is proud of this student"

Proud of the work we are doing in special education, and the support we are providing. Come a long way!