



Special Education Parent Advisory Council

Minutes

November 27, 2018 Meeting
Barnstable Intermediate School

Attendance Head Count: 11 including officers, parents, and district personnel
Children in Daycare: 2

SEPAC Business Meeting

President Kathy Bent called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., welcomed everyone, and thanked Principal Anderson for hosting the meeting.

Kathy stated the purpose of the meeting is to gather input for improving special education to submit to the district administration. Your input can be shared by emailing barnsepac@gmail.com, submitting a Comment Form on the SEPAC website (BarnstableSEPAC.com), or mailing a printed Comment Form (or sending a note) to P.O. Box 623, Centerville, MA 02632.

Procedure for Reporting to Administration

The first reporting using the Procedure for Reporting to Administration. Concerns brought forth last school year, and suggestions will be sent forward.

Comments/Suggestions from Parents Included

- A parent called to discuss getting services/service providers entering into the IEP accurately, specifically the grid. The specific situation was that the Team agreed to specific services and service providers and that the information placed in Grid C was not accurate per the team discussion. The specific information was placed in Other Information section of the IEP. Recommendation to go back to the Team and request that the information be accurately entered in the Grid. The state will only request the Grid to determine the services and service providers students will have.
- Parents indicated there are still problems receiving accurate IEPs and were told, again, that there are “glitches” with the software. A suggestion by a parent was to make a specific request to the vendor identifying exactly what is trying to be entered into the system so that the vendor can fix the problem.
- Cape Cod Challenger Club has a new Cooking Class Program which filled (17 attendees) within 2 days. The class was a great success and the person who spearheaded the class (June Richard) did a fabulous job. Another cooking class is scheduled this Saturday, December 1 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cape Cod Collaborative. The goal is to grow the program and KDC is writing a grant to support the program. CC Challenger Club is also writing a grant to support it (Kelly Foundation).
- The Transition Internship Program kicks off. The Transitions Department at the BHS was set up to get students ready for work by teaching them how to interview and making sure they have the job skills required for the workforce.
- **Comment forms are available at each meeting and on the SEPAC website for those parents who cannot make meetings or who prefer to submit comments anonymously.**

Landmark College

The Admissions Staff did not show up. Kathy Bent apologized to parents and will contact Landmark to find out what happened.

REMINDERS → Child care is available at every meeting. Meetings are always the last Tuesday of the month. Remember to check Facebook for the updated information or the SEPAC website-- www.barnstablesepac.com.

Announcements

The next meeting is Tuesday, January 28 at Barnstable Intermediate School (Falmouth Road (Rt. 28), Hyannis, MA). The SEPAC meeting begins at 6:00. The presentation, **Homework Strategies that Work** begins at 6:30. This presentation is appropriate for all parents of all students.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Bent