

Alexandria City Public Schools
Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting
George Washington Middle School Multi-Purpose Room
Monday, October 24, 2016
Draft Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 7pm
Members attending: Lisa Allison-Lee, Audra Belcher, Aaron Cahn, Erin Coyle, Angela Drake, Janet Eissenstat, Deanne McNulty, Crystal Prall, Jeffrey Zack, Margaret Lorber, Terry Werner, Courtney Davis and Janet Reese.
2. Introduction of current members, potential members, ACPS staff
3. Public Comment-None
4. Report from the Chairman and Co-Chair
 - a. Reviewed the role of SEAC
 - i. Advise ACPS School Board and bring attention to issues effecting students with special needs in ACPS
 - ii. Scope of Work should reflect our goals for the School Board
 - b. Reviewed policies and procedures
 - i. Compliance- 3+ members together needs to be a posted meeting and notice must be given to Board Clerk
 1. Ex. 2nd Friday of every month- meeting at Stomping Ground
 2. Panera Group (10-12 on Thursdays)- reflects SEAC (post regular standing meeting)
 3. Special Education Parents Facebook page is a great place to post and read articles
 - c. Development of Scope and Sequence
 - i. Split up into 3 groups to brainstorm topics/issues around compliance, culture, and structure
 1. Shared out to find commonalities, themes, etc.
 2. Working meeting Friday, November 11th to plan out Scope of Work
5. Report from the Director of Special Education
 - a. Overview of Special Education Department's plan for the year
 - b. Update on SOL Data
 - i. Areas of growth from several schools
 - ii. Focus is on several individual schools in math and reading, with middle schools being the biggest focus across the board.
6. Standing Committees
 - a. Members were asked to fill out a form ranking their top two choices for subcommittees (Budget, Governance, Harry Burke, Outreach)
7. Members signed up to monitor 2 Board meetings for SEAC related topics

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8. Minutes from September approved
9. Parent Resource Center- will email out report
10. No unfinished business
11. Announcement
 - a. School District is considering using the Lee Center as a swing space/ transitional building. This could affect the programming and potentially move therapeutic rec and the adult day programming.
 - i. Meeting on 11/7 with stake-holders
 - b. PRC- Anxiety training and Autism parent trainings
 - i. Series are being video taped if you can't see them
 1. Also being translated in 4 languages and getting good viewing rates
12. Meeting adjourned