

5/15/2019 SEAC Committee Meeting Minutes:

Committee members present:

Dr. Cunningham
Mrs. Smith
Amy Bernett
Jackie Smith
Anne Lavelle
Marie Spence
Christopher Andrews
Raina Dunlap
Jill Schiller
Amanda Frischling

Dr. Cunningham started the meeting with an explanation of the Remake Learning available in the Pittsburgh area, and invited all to the Remake Learning event scheduled at the middle school for the evening of the day of the meeting.

Sharon read the Vision Statement and all were in agreement with the final statement.

Special Education Plan:

Sharon stated the State like our plan but wanted an adjustment to the behavior section and the disability labels removed. Sharon gave a comparison of our district disability numbers and the state disability numbers, giving her explanation of the reasons for the differences. It was explained the disproportionality section of the plan was still under construction. The personnel section, “program profile” and the expectations for the district and teacher caseloads were discussed. Parent training as part of the plan was discussed as well.

Website:

Sharon explained we are working on updates/changes to the format and organization.

Parent Survey (Parent Training):

The survey will be emailed/released by the end of the school year. Sharon ask the group how they wanted to receive the survey, email, mail etc.

The fall training will be with Shawn McGill and the spring training will be on social thinking possibly with Laurie Altruda (spelling?) and Jean (somebody). After the fall training “maps” will be utilized to determine the spring training topic/s.

2019-2020 Quarterly Meeting Dates will be chosen by Sharon.

Development of Belief Statement:

15 options for the statement were presented. The members selected their choices and submitted to Sharon.

Discussion of membership/term limits:

It was discussed keeping the current group together until the end of the 2019-2020 school year, and the members were interested in continuing. After the 2019-2020 school year options such as rotating even

and odd year groups or a 2 year cycle were discussed. The selection process was explained. Three key factors in choosing members are availability, diversity (student) and review by administrators.

Member status:

Mr. Andrews will be leaving the committee due to his student graduation

Mrs. Frischling has a student at Wyland and an IEP student at the middle school and appears to want to move to the middle school rep for next school year

Mrs. Lavelle has an IEP students at Central and the middle school next school year

Mrs. Bernett has an IEP student will be at the high school next school year

Mrs. Webb (not present) has an IEP student moving to the middle school next school year

Questions:

Mrs. Lavelle asked about retiring paraeducators. Sharon explained there are a number of paraeducator changes this year and next year.

Additions:

Asking Sheri Berg to write an article about SEAC committee.