

# SECAC Executive Board Meeting

## May 21, 2019

Attendees: Joseph Cormier, Alicia Chubb, Christy Harris, Kara Muffley, Shelley Miller, Kathleen Porecki, Joy Eason

### **Response to Open Meetings Complaint and [www.calvertsecac.org](http://www.calvertsecac.org)**

Kara shared that the attorney for the Board of Education will respond to the complaint filed by Brian Waller alleging the SECAC violated the Maryland Open Meetings Act because it does not post its minutes online. The attorney does not feel SECAC has violated the Act, but in response, the SECAC minutes will be posted on the Calvert County Public Schools website beginning in the 2019-2020 school year.

### **Public Comment on Staffing Plan**

The 2018 Public Comment was reviewed as a starting point for this year's public comment. Neither Kara or Joe received any input from other SECAC attendees. There was discussion about adding a statement regarding staffing flexibility due to the varying nature of IEPs and the differences in complexity and again stressing the importance of increased behavioral supports. Kara will type the changes and send to the Exec board prior to submission to Karen Maxey for review at June's Board of Education Meeting.

### **Budget/spending of current funds by September 30**

Joy inquired about clinical child psychologist and author, Dr. Ross Greene's, fees for presentations. \$9,000 is his speaking fee + travel expenses, however, there are some opportunities when he will already be in MD and Calvert may be able to save on travel expenses. He is coming to MD in June to present to the Coalition of Families. Joy will continue to investigate other opportunities to collaborate with Dr. Greene but his speaking fee is higher than SECAC's annual budget. SECAC may be able to partner with Partners for Success or another organization to fund Dr. Greene.

One option for spending funds prior to Sept 30<sup>th</sup> is to plan for a speaker and purchase their book or a book on that topic in advance to spend the funds but hosting the speaker at a later date. TranZed speakers/workshops run about \$3000. They offer ½ or full day workshops and offer a variety of topics. Those can be investigated.

### **Proposed Dates for Meetings and Topics**

9/17/2019- What is SECAC? Meet and Greet with snacks/potluck  
10/15/2019  
11/19/2019  
1/21/2020  
2/18/2020  
3/17/2020  
4/21/2020  
5/19/2020-Exec Team Meeting

### **Topics and Ideas for presentations:**

Transition- Shelley Miller is going to contact Sandra Spence from Southern MD Job Source and Paul Reilly, CCPS Transition Specialist

Behavior

Early Intervention

### **Additional Items for discussion 2019-2020:**

- Bylaw revision committee- bylaws will be reviewed
- Elections
- Meeting format (Times on agenda, Feedback/Comments)  
To protect the privacy of students, the Feedback/Comments will not be recorded
- Possibly work with Partners for Success to combine the I Know My Community Resource Fair with SECAC Awards, making resource tables available to all the families and staff already in attendance.

The SECAC Executive board will meet again at 6:00PM on Aug 20<sup>th</sup>