MEPA
Meeting Minutes
9/27/2021

Opening:
The meeting was called to order at 8:34 am by Annette Gilbert. The meeting was held in the administration building in the personnel conference room.

Present:
Attendees were Annette Gilbert, Melissa Donahoe, Dorthie Thompson, Yvonne Ramos, Lauren Jernigan, Kelly Smith (special speaker), and Yvonne Smeltzer via Zoom.

Business From the Previous Meeting:
A motion was moved to dispense of the reading of the minutes since they are now available online. The motion was approved and second by Lisa from Porter.

New Business:
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An announcement was made about our STAR Program in place for Stellar Teammate Associate Recipients. Each month a paraprofessional is voted by peers.

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Yvonne Ramos spoke about the minutes from last meeting. New minutes can now be found online on MEPA website.

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**Adjournment:**
Meeting ended at 9:29 am

**Minutes submitted by:** Yvonne Ramos
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