



10/11//2022 L-SEAC Meeting Minutes

- **Welcome to L-SEAC Members & Visitors:**

Attendace: Kristi Heintzelman, Matthew Copeland, Laura Basham, Ivonne Rivera.

Guest(s): Ann Thuro, Stephanie West-Potter & Ashley Clark

- **Open Forum:**

- 1. First discussion led by Ann Thuro regarding the paraprofessional shortage and utilize the KU students to possible flexible hours to accommodate both parties.**
- 2. Second discussion led by Stephanie West-Potter regarding the role that a foster parent have with advocating for their children regarding getting IEP services and what obstacles they face during the process.**
- 3. Third discussion led by Ashley Clark regarding support for families with special needs though WRAP and seeking outside medical/therapy resources to gain more support overall. Also touch upon accessing sibling support within the family.**

- **District Update:**

- 1. Upcoming Paraprofessional PD Day 10/14/22 providing courses that will enhance their skills and knowledge to perform their daily duties as a paraprofessional.**
- 2. Discussion regarding an upcoming L-SEAC meeting to have a Special Education presentation with highlighting how this process looks like for parents.**
- 3. Staffing update was discussed regarding having contracted several Certified positions throughout the district. Still in need of more paraprofessionals and its a current problem across the country.**

Previous Continuing Business: Subcommittee and Small group breakout

- o Subcommittee updates - [parking lot](#) for action items
 - Database/Parent Connection - Muriel, Matthew
 - Parent connection opportunities - Muriel
 - Virtual coffee group - Muriel, Rob, and Stephanie
 - Parent packet/handbook - Rob, Stephanie,
 - Marketing/communications - Kristi, Sheila and Katie

New Business:

- **Parent Connection's Opportunities:**
 1. **Prairie Park Nature Center-Thursday, October 13, 2022 from 1 pm to 2 pm**
 2. **WheatFields Bakery-Friday, October 28, 2022 from 9 am to 10 am**
- **Looking for opportunities within the community to find resources and activities for the children with exceptionalities to be a part of.**

Next meeting: Adjourn 7pm

- **November 8, 2022, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm**
- **December 13, 2022, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm**