

Calvert County Public Schools
Special Education Citizens' Advisory Committee

FINAL

Meeting Minutes January 16, 2024

Attendees:

Secretary, Ashton Felton
Member at Large, Lashonda Scott
Director, Special Education Department, Dr. Kendy Anderson
Samantha Mathieson, Parent
Adam Keesee, CCPS Secondary Transition Specialist
Kara Muffley, Parent, CCPS Data Manager
Glenn Casciero, CCPS Job Development Coach
Kathleen Porecki, Parent
Kristina Tchoumak, CCPS Family Support Specialist
D. Chan, Parent
J. Royer, Parent
Shelley Baden, Parent
Camille Khaleesi, Parent
Joanne Koterwas, Parent

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting began promptly at 6:30. Mrs. Felton held introductions and explained meeting norms. Mrs. Felton will chair the meeting in Mr. Cormier's absence.

Meeting Minute Approval

Minutes from November 2023 were sent via email previously. No input given. Motion for approval by Ms. Scott, second by Ms. Mathieson. Minutes approved and will be posted to webpage.

Secondary Transition Presentation with Adam Keesee.

Adam Keesee, CCPS Secondary Transition Specialist presented on the Secondary transition process and some upcoming informational presentations in the community. Please reach out to him at keeseea@calvertnet.k12.md.us with questions. Also introduced Glenn Casciero, CCPS Job Developer for our secondary students, cascierog@calvertnet.k12.md.us

[Intro to Secondary Transition Presentaion](#)

SECAC Awards

CHANGE IN LOCATION. SECAC awards will be held at HHS this year. Still April 17th at 6:30. Please let Ashton know if you would like to be a judge of nomination forms. Nomination forms are live through March.

[SECAC Awards Nomination Form](#)

Directors Report/Treasury Report

- Dr. Anderson presented the current budget. No change since November report. As always, if you would like to be sponsored by SECAC to attend trainings or meetings related, please reach out to us with your request.
- Upcoming Book study “Lost at School” to begin January 27th. Please use the Forms Link in document to register. [Book Study Ross Greene 122023.docx](#)
- Part 2 of Lives in the Balance is in the works. This will be a follow-up to the December presentation. Information forthcoming.

Public Comment

- CCPS has a new supervisor in the Special Education Department. Vernetta Christian has joined CCPS and fill the vacancy from Mrs. Margo Gross.

Calendar Items and Final Thoughts

- Calvert Basics – Next event January 30th at Barstow Elementary School
- Reading Festival – January 25th 5:30 – Calvert Library. Snow date – 2/1/24 [Current Reading Festival 2024.pdf](#)
- Information forthcoming for an ADHD and Executive functioning workshop in April.
- 1/23/24 SSA Virtual Forum [SSA Virtual Flyer-English.pdf](#)
- 3/6/24 – DDA & DORS informational session – Virtual @ 6:30, please reach out to Adam Keesee or Kristina Tchoumak with questions.
- 3/8/24 – Annual Try College for a Day. This is by invite only, please look for information coming from your child’s high school
- 4/10/24 – Lawyer informational session for parents of students with disabilities @6:30 in BOE Media Center.
- 4/26/24 – Secondary Transition Expo – More information forthcoming.

Future meeting dates: February 13th, March 12th, April 17th (SECAC Awards), May 7th, June 11th (executive board meeting). All meetings are at 6:30pm and will be held virtually.

Please reach out to us at any time if you have questions or are looking for resources.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.