

St. James Parish Public Schools

St. James Special Education Advisory Council Agenda

Meeting #3

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

5:30PM

Call to Order

(5:30PM) – meeting called to order by Senecca Boudreaux - Chair

→ Prayer – Ciara Gardner - Member

→ Pledge – Keion Laurent - Member

ROLL CALL by Sadie Becnel – Appointed Recorder

SEAC MEMBER	TITLE	PRESENT	ABSENT
Senecca Boudreaux	Council Chairperson	X	
Heidi Trosclair	Compliance Supervisor		X
Dr. Melissa Roussel, PHD	Parent	X	
Brittney Trosclair	Parent		X
Keion Laurent	Parent	X	
Ciara Gardner	Parent	X	
Brooklyn Bourgeois	Student		X
Kaiyah Bejoile	Student		X

Welcome – Senecca Boudreaux - Chair

(5:35PM)

- 1. Public comment procedures:** Chair shared protocols for public comments
- 2. SEAC Purpose & Process:** Chair shared SEAC Purpose and Process including Robert’s Rules of Order.

(5:40PM) Old Business

- Special Education Newsletter (*December*)- Chair shared dissemination date, shared method of dissemination, confirmed receipt, and reviewed info in newsletter
Parents/Guardians confirmed the receipt of newsletter and robocall for SEAC meeting
- SJP Special Olympics – Chair shared date and volunteer list for anyone interested in volunteering
- Cameras in Special Education Self-Contained Classrooms – Chair shared Revised Statute information and shared a brief overview of the district’s policy and procedures; encouraged parents of students in self-contained classrooms to request the installation and operation of cameras; Chair shared where procedures can be access on district’s website.

New Business

SJP Special Olympics Participation Criteria – Chair shared and explained mission of SJP Special Olympics and Participation Criteria

District Agenda Items- None

(6:05PM) Council Agenda Items

- a. Presentation from The Parenting Center at Children’s Hospital – Patrice Wright
- b. Inclusive Playgrounds to Accommodate SWD - SEAC Discussion

Chair made a motion to table to the discussion on Inclusive Playgrounds and place the agenda item on the agenda for the last SEAC meeting.

Dr. Melissa Roussel – second that motion. However, she did state that during last year’s discussion on this topic, the parish recreational director stated that the public park would be assessed to identify how they could make them more accessible for students with disabilities. Dr. Roussel went on to state that it is important for us to also identify resources that can assist elementary schools in purchasing playground equipment that would make playgrounds accessible for all. Chair stated that she will invite the new parish recreational director to last SEAC meeting.

(6:52PM) Public Comments: None

(6:52PM) Closing Remarks: Chair closed by thanking parents/guardians for attending meeting, sharing next meeting date, and thanking Children’s Hospital for the presentation.

Dr Roussel- gave thanks for the presentation by Children’s Hospital

Keion Laurant-No comments

Ciara Gardner- No comments

(6:54PM) Chair asks for a motion for the meeting to be adjourned

MOTION: Dr. Melissa Roussel

Second Motion: Ciara Gardner

(TIME: 6:54PM) Meeting Adjourned by Chair