

St. Charles Parish Public Schools
Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)
Tuesday, March 19, 2024
9:00 am - 10:30 am
Meeting Minutes

Members present: Mendy Van Hoven, Cierra Puryear, Precious Alexander, Lolita Grant, Amber Pinero, Breah Alario, Dameion Dabney, Erin Baker, and Victoria Bryant

Members absent: Katie Foster, Lindsey Hinkle

Presenter(s) present: Joseph Tate & Melinda Luna from LASARD Project
Christina Lott, SLP/Child Search Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Cierra Puryear. All members reviewed and agreed to meeting outcomes and norms.

LASARD Presentation: (Joseph Tate and Melinda Luna)
Information shared on supports LASARD provided to schools and parents. Melinda shared the importance of working with teachers to reinforce strategies implemented at school. Melinda shared examples of visual supports and schedules for parents to use at home. She also shared visual cues and transition supports for parents to use at home to support routines and change in routines.

Suggestions from the Council:

-Family engagement to Parent education- SEAC members agreed that parents need this information. SPED Department will discuss specifics and determine the most efficient way to share opportunities with parents.

CHILD FIND PROCESS: (Christina Lott)

Ms. Lott explained the process of Child Search (screening, evaluation, etc.)

Screening dates are advertised on Channel 8, in the Herald Guide, and on Social media accounts.

Suggestions from Council:

Provide flyers to pediatricians in the area and Title 1 Family Centers.

Add a child search table at the District Kindergarten Readiness event and Daycare Center in and out of the Network.

SEAC: Proposed meeting 4 times a year.

OUTREACH:

Officer Friendly Day: Officers can meet the kids with disabilities and educate the officers on disabilities