

St. Charles Parish Public Schools
Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)
Wednesday, September 30, 2020
9:00 - 10:30
Minutes

Members present at the September 30, 2020 meeting of the Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) were: Kim Basile, Kelly Benedict, Celeste P. Chiasson, Shaun Crochet, Lolita Grant, Tracie Howes. Absent members included Kaswana Isaac, and Kristina Miller. Mrs. Benedict replaced the vacant seat left by Ms. Brignac upon her resignation from the district. Mr. Shaun Crochet temporarily served in the seat left open by Mrs. Guillory as a result of her retirement.

The meeting was held virtually and called to order at 9:00 A.M by Mrs. Chiasson. Superintendent , Dr. Ken Oertling, joined the meeting briefly to express his gratitude to the council for their dedication in examining district practices concerning students with disabilities.

The meeting norms, outcomes, and agenda were agreed upon by members. The vision, purpose, focus, and function of the Council were reviewed. The SEAC meeting minutes and recommendations from the February 21, 2020 meeting were presented by Mrs. Chaisson.

The floor was opened to SEAC members to discuss the needs of parents who are being introduced to special education services in St. Charles Parish Public Schools. A list of possible resources to provide parents was generated. School to post-secondary needs were also examined. The council brainstormed types of information students and/or parents may need upon their exit. Next on the agenda, the SEAC discussed the impact of the March to August school closure in relation to virtual and/or eLearning effects on parents, students, and school personnel. Lastly, the council discussed future topics for the council to consider.

Tracie Howes concluded the meeting with a group evaluation in regards to results, processes, and relationships.

The meeting adjourned at 10:32.