

February 27, 2025 SEPAC Meeting Minutes

Meeting start at: 5:33pm

Introductions: 7 parents/2 staff

IEP data update: BBT team to come to a meeting to talk about the data and the process behind determining that. There is a high population of students in the HVRSD that are on IEPs.

What do we want to do with planning the school committee meeting and the BBT meeting?
It would make more sense to have the BBT meeting before the school committee meeting so that we have more numbers for our presentation.

Can we get a percentage on students that are on 504 Plans and receive Title one services for that BBT meeting?

April will be the BBT meeting and the plan for the school committee meeting will be for June. May we will put the presentation together for the school committee.

Monica will check in with principles as to when they are free to schedule BBT meeting in April.

What would we like to plan for our March meeting?

SEPAC/SPED newsletter:

Getting in touch with principles and getting in touch with service providers for input to put on the newsletter. This will be sent out weekly via a link on the principles newsletters. Can also post in on the SEPAC/SpEd page.

The first letter, we would like to see:

- An introduction to Monica and the Special Education Coordinators.
- Tip/activity of the week (also coming from services providers)
- Listing a resource like DESE or DDS.
- Dates of meetings upcoming.
- Adding a definition.
- Adaptive games dates and events

Are there opportunities for people to volunteer?

Kristina will send out an email and a Facebook post about doing the survey, see if the principles can send out a reminder to their families. Survey needs to be completed by 04/12/25. DESE is conducting their review during the week of APRIL 15th.

Topic to discuss EYS and how a child qualifies. Regression is the biggest area that they look at, socially or academically. There is also tutoring. What is the definition of EYS and what does it actually

mean. In the new IEP it is a separate section that the team has to go through. Make sure that parents know if they have concerns with their children(s) academic or social skills, EYS can be discussed later in the year if IEP meeting is done at the start of the year.

Each school for EYS is run by a different person and sometimes it varies by the year.

What is the best way to get that information to families: The Federation.

What the data shows for kids receiving services during the summer. Some parents choose not to send their child, transportation, want to give their child a break.

Next meeting scheduled with DEIB March 5th
5:30pm at the middle/high school library.

How can we encourage families to utilize resources that are available in the area? How can we help educate families on what is school business vs needing to find an outside provider?

Kristina will email Andrew Rosenburg to do another IEP binder building event. Andrew will also be able to reach out to families about NBCC and how NBCC can help families.

Are we able to get a parent partner to help families?

An event at the beginning of the year to get people and resources available to get families together (resource fair). Offer food!!! Invite places like NBCC and service providers. Free movie night to get families together. Movie: Out of My Mind.

Meeting end at: 6:37pm