

**Local Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)
Prince George Public Schools, VA (Region I)**

Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2019

- Members in attendance: William Gandel, Elizabeth Griffith, Kim Lee, Margie Roses, Ritchie Shumate, Kim Shanks, Mark Simpson and Cynthia White. Zetta Ethington and Jennifer McGuire participated as consultants from the Student Services office.
- Chairperson Lee called the meeting to order at approximately 5:05 pm.
- The last event for the Committee was the SEAC Social on February 28, 2019. While attendance was very good no minutes were taken during the social. There was a participation list with a space to list of issues/concerns placed at the entry for the event. Participation was strictly voluntary.
- There were no visitors to address the Committee during the available Public Forum Period, so there were no public comments.
- Past Business:
 - During this meeting, members did not review the minutes from the previous meeting (February 21, 2019); however, the minutes were review via email and approved.
- New Business:
 - An application that was received as a result of the February 21, 2019 social activity and was reviewed during today's meeting. The applicant will be in attendance at the April meeting.
 - Chairman Lee and others voiced pleasure at attendance and the results of the social. The group agreed that the Prince George County Library was an excellent venue and its location contributed to the successful turn-out of participants.
 - Ms. Lee also discussed the follow-up on the transition services discussed at the last SEAC meeting. Questions and discussion around transition services followed. IEP and evaluations related to vocational preparations were also referenced.
 - The Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center's Vocational training was discussed. The evaluation committee that determines which students will go to the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center will meet in April. The Prince George School System only has four (4) slots for the Woodrow Wilson program. The four slots are for the 10 day program and there is a transition 3 day program open in January and February. There were concern expressed about students missing school days and SOLs. Summer sessions are also provide by the facility.
 - The Transition Fair will be held on April 24th at the Prince George High School was also presented. A flyer will be posted to the SEAC Facebook page in hope of increasing participation.

- Chairman Lee noted the Governor's removal of the autism cap on insurance on July 01, 2019.
- Other legislative initiatives were also reviewed.
- The Prince George School Board town hall meeting will be held at JEJ Moore on March 28, 2019 and attendance/participation from SEAC member was encouraged.
- There is a Toddler Fair being held on April 13th.
- There was a Special Olympics update.
 - The swimming program is excellent has great participation. Kids are learning to swim and the "coaches are in the water".
 - There were 16 Bowling athletes competing with more waiting to participate.
 - There are plans for "Honey Captains" to participate at each Football game.
- The next meetings will be held on April 18, 2019. Ms. Lee asked to review Special Education staffing and qualifications of staff members, contractor teachers, paraprofessionals, and substitutes at that meeting.
- The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:15 pm.

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