

# Sudbury Special Education Parent Advisory Council Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2015

Goodnow Library Presentation Room, 40 Fairbank Road, Sudbury, MA

7:20pm start

**Present:** Jessica Sales-Cohen, Stefanie Mittelstadt, Pieter du Plessis, Lisa Kouchakdjian, Paula Moyer, Bruce Hoffman

## **Old Business:**

Minutes from 5/18 approved with corrections per Stefanie.

## **New Business/Assignments:**

Promotional opportunities:

- Availability for putting big sign out in front of fire stations. Lisa K has the signs in her garage.
- Book fairs at schools -- use the SEPAC bags.
- Crane group -- need someone as liaison. They would like to work on videos with us to address any sped issues in the community. For instance they've already recorded Karen Levine and it's ready to be uploaded, they're just moving at a slow pace. Jessica is interested in attending those meetings going forward, but cannot make the next one scheduled for Monday the 15th.

Maybe we can do a middle-of-the-summer party on July 12th at SS&T. We'll bring food. No glass.

Minutes from last meeting moved, seconded, and approved.

Lisa K has a print out of opening meeting law guidelines. She will deliver to our mailboxes.

Elections:

Stefanie (Chair)

Laura (Vice Chair) Paula withdrawn

Paula (Secretary)

Bruce (Treasurer)

Laura (Events)

Shana (Membership)

Jessica (PTO Liaison)

Stefanie (Technology)

Next meeting we're going to have an election for a new board position which would be a liaison to other area SEPACs. Pieter was nominated and seconded for this new position.

Make sure to keep the dialog going with the district, especially now that we have turnover in the administration. Lisa would meet with Kim Swain and the Director of Student Services (was Debbie Dixson). Keep this ongoing. What are the services you are offering to our children who are on the spectrum, who have ADHD, etc. rather than "what are you doing for my child who has ADHD". Focus more on the services rather than the child.

Interviews for Director of Student Services -- Stefanie and Jessica will be there from SEPAC and Lisa K as school committee member. Perhaps come up with a few questions that Stefanie and Jessica can field for us as a group. We reviewed the job description of the Director of Student Services.

Next meeting is June 23rd at 7:15pm. Social night may be changed, TBD.

**Adjourned** 9:00pm and **submitted by** Paula Moyer, Secretary