**Arcola Intermediate School**

**Home & School Association**

**Monthly Meeting**

**October 13 @ 7:00 PM – Commons**

**Attendees: Mr. Bourdreau Heather DeWane Michelle Speranza Lisa Bruno**

**Jessica Viscusi Reba Mann**

1. Welcome (Call to order and Time) – Heather DeWane

-7:00pm

1. Principal's Report – Mr. Bourdreau
   1. Q&A

-We are plugging events as they are scheduled

-Veterans Day at Arcola – need color guard; Jess asking a few people if they can do it; will report back

1. Officers' Reports
   1. Presidents’ Report – Heather DeWane
      1. Student Survey opt out deadline is 10/14
   2. Vice President’s Report - Michelle Speranza
      1. Committee Update – Discussing a Fall Activity Night or Dance (winter)
   3. Treasurer's Report – Lisa Bruno
      1. Fundraising - Year-round
         1. No Frills – 40% of goal
         2. Box Tops – people can download and apply receipts through app. Add your school.
      2. The only activity was the Tello data plan monthly expense.
      3. We have 3 Mini-Grants to approve. APPROVED
         1. -Red Ribbon Week from Mark Mueller - pencils $215.60
         2. -Red Ribbon Week from Mark Mueller - "put in cups" fence art 261.03
         3. -Glow Day from Sharon Branca - materials for classroom activity $288.55
   4. Secretary's Report – Jessica Viscusi

-Approve September Meeting Minutes – APPROVE

-Sending Morning Announcements to those who signed up to receive them through the committee in konstella.

1. Committee/Liaison Reports:
   1. Fall Activity Night – November 11 Fri – TBD: OPEN

-Dec. 2nd is tentative date for dance

* 1. School Activities Supported by Home & School - Updates
     1. Helping Hands Committee - ? HOLD
     2. 7th Grade Pizza Lunch Committee – ? HOLD
     3. STEAM Day Committee – March – OPEN
     4. End of Year Picnic - ?
     5. 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony - ?

1. Methacton Coordinating Council Report – No Report – Next Meeting: @Eagleville 11/15 7:00

-one board attendee required

1. Methacton School Board Report –
2. Special Education Alliance – Kelly Ludwig (Reba Mann spoke)
   1. See next page for updates

-discussed thoughts on setting up a volunteer day at Variety Club

1. Old/New Business
2. Questions/Concerns
3. Next meeting November 9 @ 7:00 PM
4. Adjourn – 7:44pm
5. Ms. Branca

The Arcola Home and School Association received your request for funds for:

- Glow Day - materials for classroom activity for the amount of $288.55

1. Mr. Mueller

The Arcola Home and School Association received your two requests for funds for:

- Red Ribbon Week - pencils for the amount of $215.60

- Red Ribbon Week - "put in cups" fence art for the amount of $261.03

This application has already been reviewed by Mr. Bourdreau and will be voted on at the next H&S meeting: Rescheduled to Thursday, October 13th.

SEA Updates:

**October SEA Talking points:**

1.     We have been enjoying participating in the Back to School Nights in person this year

       and speaking to our parents/caregivers. To date, representatives of the SEA have attended BTSN at 6 out of 7 of our schools. We look forward to Arrowhead’s on Oct. 12.

**2.**     Thursday, October 20, 2022- 7:30 p.m. Join us for Methacton’s First **Virtual**Back to School Night for Special Education.  The flyer has been shared via Mail

      Chimp to our email distribution list. We have also sent it to H & S representatives to share both on Konstella and Facebook pages. All Methacton parents/caregivers and staff are

     welcome. Please be sure to register at the link to receive the Zoom link.<https://forms.gle/eW5wJGEZNQn8Sj4WA>

Presented by:

Dr. Susan Angstadt - Director of Pupil Services, Methacton School District

Dr. Amy Mangano - Supervisor of Special Education (Grades K-4)

Dr. Danielle Fowlston - Supervisor of Special Education (Grades 5-8)

Dr. Erika Thomas - Supervisor of Special Education (Grades 9-12)

**SPECIAL Guest** – Ms. Alexis Washington, Methacton’s new DEI Climate

 Counselor

                          This meeting is for all parents and caregivers of:

\* Incoming kindergarten students with an IEP.  
\* all special education students, new or current, with an IEP, GIEP or

   504.\*

The Special Education team will provide an overview of:

\* The special education structure in Methacton.

\* The roles and responsibilities of the supervisors of special education.

\* The roles and responsibilities of school psychologists, case managers

   and IEP teams.

\* IEPs, GIEPs and 504s.  
\* school-based therapy including speech therapy, occupational

   therapy, and physical therapy.  
\* behavior and emotional support, and more!

The team will be available to answer general questions from parents/caregivers, however, not individual questions regarding specific student IEP concerns.

\*IF YOU'RE TRANSITIONING TO A NEW BUILDING (E.G. MOVING FROM ELEMENTARY TO SKYVIEW OR FROM ARCOLA TO THE HIGH SCHOOL), THIS IS A GREAT TIME TO MEET YOUR NEW SUPERVISOR OF EDUCATION!

3.     Thursday, November 17, 2022 - **The 10 Myths You Need to Know About Inclusion and the Law** presented by Patrick G. Radel, Esq., Getnick Livingston Atkinson & Priore, LLP

      from Utica, New York. Mr. Radel is a Special Education Attorney and parent of child with a disability.

4.     December Social Outing, Variety’s Holiday Lane – Details will follow on an organized group outing.

5.     Mark your calendars for this year’s Special Education workshops on various topics.

      Details on topics will follow. **(Thursdays, Dates subject to change depending on availability of presenters and District events)**

-        January 19, 2023

-        February 16, 2023

-        March 16, 2023

-        April 20, 2023

-        May 18, 2023

6.     Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SEAofMCC> or contact us at [seamethacton@gmai](mailto:seamethacton@gmail.com)[l.com](http://l.com/)

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