

# SEA Planning Meeting Committee Meeting Agenda

**March 28, 2022 7:00 p.m.**

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**Attendance:** Peg Herbison, Sandy Katz, Julie Stephens, Sarah Reilly, Karen Lutz, Reba Mann, Colleen Kutz, Ramona de la Rosa, Jodi Kohar, Michelle Greenawalt

- **Presentation Topic Feedback:**

- **March 17 Take Steps Now to Prepare for Life After High School (Erika Thomas, Niki Brislin, Kim Kulp) and Kris Koberlein**
  - topic was good, format was good, some parents with older kids feel like their kids have missed out on the transition program things that are coming
  - If you have more feedback for the program/transition services at MHS, please complete the evaluation

- **Presentation Upcoming:**

- **April 20 (WEDNESDAY) Extended School Year (ESY) presented by Kathleen M. Metcalf, Managing Attorney of Special Education with Rafaele & Associates, LLC.**  
**\*\*Confirmed for Wednesday, 4/20, 7-9pm, on Zoom -**
- **May 19 (THURSDAY) TBD - Inclusion Full Circle - confirm with Dr. Angstadt**

- **2021-2022 Planning meeting and Presentation dates:**

- 7-9pm, via Zoom
- Survey for topics
- Possible presentation dates: 4/20, 5/19
- Planning committee meeting dates:

3/28, 5/2, 5/23, 6/27 -

5/23: Possible meeting sites: Margarita's, Chadwicks- but not open Mondays, Guiseppe's

- **Spring Social Event (set a date, Kelley Ludwig)**
  - **Yoga with Aim High** - Sandy will follow up with Kelley
    - try for 5/7, 5/14, or 5/15

**Additional possible topics 2022-2023:**

- OVR Early Reach-
  - Transition between buildings
  - Families CCAN - Sara Crimm and Mara Dorff
  - SS/SSDI/Waivers with Bruce H. Sham- Colleen
  - Alternative treatments/therapies- possibly Theraplay speakers - Peg
  - Sensory integration/issues- Peg
  - Wrap around services/ behavioral services
  - Executive Function
  - Ask the Attorneys - possibly have Lily organize this again
  - Think college
  - Healthy Relationships for special needs- Lynn Medley might know someone or Autism Society of America or Autism Speaks - Ramona
  - Digitability- Ramona
  - IEP basics - PEAL?
  - Repeat some of the topics such as MHSTransition Program, IEP update, etc
- **Home and School Meeting coverage-** talking points are sent out by Sandy and Peg
    - **If no one at the school can attend your meeting, let the group know to see if someone else can cover it and be sure to share the talking points with the President and Corresponding Secretary**
    - High school-
      - Sandy, Peg, Karen, Colleen, Ramona, Michelle, Reba
      - 2nd Thursday - alternate am and pm - option to Zoom
    - Arcola-
      - Kelley, Zenia
      - 2nd Thursday - alternate am and pm
    - Skyview-
      - Kelley, Jodi, Reba
      - 1st Thursday - all pm - option to Zoom
    - Arrowhead-
      - Zenia -pm only, Leslie
      - 1st Monday- alternate am and pm
    - Eagleville-
      - Jodi, Sarah
      - 2nd Wednesday- alternate am and pm
    - Woodland
      - 1st Wednesday- all pm
    - Worcester-
      - Julie
      - 1st Wednesday - all pm - Zoom

## Updates:

- **Best Buddies**
  - **Graduation (6/9/22) ideas**
    - purple Best Buddies graduation sash for seniors
    - # of graduating Special Education seniors
  - **Arcola best buddies?**
  - **Best Buddy walk - May date?**
- **Special Olympics Day - May 26 Souderton**
- **Unified Sports Track & Field Update -**
  - **First Meet, Tuesday, April 5 @ Pottsgrove**
  - **Home Meet, Tuesday, April 26 @ Methacton**
  - **Last Meet, TBD**
  - **Pizza Kit Fundraiser \$600**
- **Post Prom Sensory Hour**

### **SENSORY FRIENDLY HOUR OFFERED BY POST PROM COMMITTEE FOR JUNIORS AND SENIORS**

The Post Prom committee is offering a "sensory friendly" hour (9:30 - 10:30 p.m.) for juniors and seniors who would like to attend post prom but would be too overwhelmed attending during regular hours due to noise, lights, people. They would be welcome to stay as long as they like. We open up the event to the rest of the students at 10:30 pm. All students need to be registered to attend. You can find the registration form on the high school post prom web page [www.methacton.org/postprom](http://www.methacton.org/postprom). Please indicate that your student has special needs by checking the appropriate box on the form.

Parents/caregivers/PCAs are also welcome to attend with their students. Once your student's registration is received, you will be emailed with more details about the evening. You can contact Tara Thomas at [methactonppregister@gmail.com](mailto:methactonppregister@gmail.com) with any questions.

## Budget: Michelle, Treasurer

- Our SEA balance is \$2,446
- PA Inclusion Collective - \$300
- MCC/H & S Donation Request Letter - Michelle, Peg and Sandy- Michelle has started working on it and will send it to Peg and Sandy- will try to get it to Katie at MCC soon

## Fundraiser Ideas:

- Yoga with Aim High (Kelley Ludwig) - Possibly hold a yoga session that people pay to attend or a social event
- Maureen Stanko performance
- Moe's Box dinners?
- Collegeville Bakery Pizza Kits - Zenia
  - They sell at \$10 and we sell for \$15
  - they need 2 days notice
  - no pick up on the weekend
  - Zenia will ask how pick up works and check on dates in Dec, Superbowl week, mid February to be sure we aren't competing with other Methacton groups, what time of year is most successful, refrigeration issues - also will ask about donuts
- Fruit sale at holidays
- Corropolese - dine and donate - Peg
- Amazon Smiles - what is that under/how do you sign up?
- Popcorn truck - truck comes to an event or take orders for flavors and sell them- Maybe at back to school nights
- Should put something on Facebook for Giving Tuesday next year
- Kendra Scott - jewelry fundraiser - Peg

**Co-chairs for next year:** Julie Stephens has agreed to join Sandy. Might be helpful to have a vice chair on the team to help with duties and maybe move up to chair later.

### **Our Mission:**

The Special Education Alliance provides a **network of support** for parents and caregivers of students with developmental or physical disabilities. The SEA offers **access to relevant information and education** while **providing opportunities to connect with other parents/caregivers**. We **advocate for the collaboration** among families, school administrators, educators and professionals to foster successful educational outcomes.