

SEA Planning Meeting Committee Meeting Agenda

March 7, 2022 7pm

Attendance: Peg Herbison, Sandy Katz, Julie Stephens, Karen Lutz, Ramona de la Rosa, Kelley Ludwig, Michelle Greenawalt

- **Presentation Topic Feedback:**

- **February - Shelley Moore and UDL**

- **6:00 - 8:00 p.m. EST**
- **February 9 The Evolution of Inclusion**
- **February 16 Support One, Support All**
- **February 23 The Guiding Conditions of Inclusion and Universal Design for Learning**
- **March 2, Centering Self Determination and Student Agency in UDL Planning**
- **Feedback:** Presentation was amazing! She was a great storyteller. Hopefully made teachers feel that she understood their point of view and that they can do this. She isn't shy about calling out what doesn't work. Glad that she opened the door to more conversation about inclusion. The chat gave nice interaction but was also distracting. Wish there was more about what it looks like in real life.

- **Presentation Upcoming:**

- **March 17 Take Steps Now to Prepare for Life After High School (Erika Thomas, Niki Brislin, Kim Kulp) and Kris Koberlein: DRAFT FLIER awaiting approval**

The flyer is for a presentation titled "Take Steps NOW to Prepare for Life After High School". It features a blue background with white and yellow text. At the top, there is a logo for "Special Education & Services" with three stylized human figures in orange, green, and blue. The main title is in large white font. Below the title, it says "The role of the student, family and school in successful transition planning". To the right, it lists the presenters: Mrs. Erika M. Thomas, M.A., BCBA (Superintendent of Secondary Special Education), Niki Brislin (Transition Coordinator, Special Education Coordinator, K-12), and Kimberly Kulp, M. Ed. (K-12 Career Counselor). A section titled "In this presentation, you will learn:" lists several bullet points about transition planning, including when to start, roles of stakeholders, and how to use assessments. At the bottom, it provides the date and time: Thursday, March 17, 2022, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM, and a registration link: <https://forms.gle/N9REWU0E0GXSHNG>. There is also a small note about staying up to date on activities and joining a Facebook group.

Draft was sent to them and waiting for approval so we can send it out. They tried to get OVR to attend but OVR couldn't commit but Niki Brislin and Kim Kulp will be there.

- **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 (Peg)**
- **May 19 (THURSDAY) TBD - Inclusion with Dr. Angstadt**
 - possibly include the teachers that went to the Shelley Moore presentations to have a conversation about that and how to support them
- **Community Conversation with Dr. Zerbe:**
 - Dr. Zerbe wants to do one with 2 SEA representatives in January - **Postponed due to high cases of COVID**- Any update on this? No update
- **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:
1/24, 2/28, 3/28, 5/2, 5/23, 6/27 - plan meeting at Evansburg Winery for Spring dates Let's select a date!-
5/23: **Sarah** will contact them to see if we can meet there on 5/23, 6-8ish
- received response with price quote - is more expensive than we were planning on
 - **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
 - Possibly have the **end of year picnic** again but it might be too late for this year
 - **Inclusion (Full Circle) (confirm date in May?)**
 - Susan wants to come back to present about inclusion in the district and how it's going

Additional possible topics:

- **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
 - Ramona has some names but wants to get more information- she will see if she can observe any of their presentations
- **Digitability- Ramona** - a curriculum-based transition program that could be added at the high school- Sandy will pursue this with Dr. Angstadt
- **IEP basics** - PEAL?

- **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 ideas** - purple Best Buddies sash at graduation for all members- follow up with Jessie Zimmerman on this - need to know how many seniors are in this year - Graduation has been set for 6/9/22
 - **Arcola best buddies?**
 - **Best Buddy walk???**- supposed to be picking a different date because the Friendship walk is the same weekend as prom

- **Unified Sports Track & Field Update** - Practice starts Monday, March 7 and will continue on Mondays and Thursdays after school till 4:00 p.m. Meets schedule will be released in a few weeks.
 - ☐ Unified Club meetings

Budget: Michelle, Treasurer

- Our SEA balance is \$2,446
- plan to contribute to the PA Inclusion Collective series again - checking status of invoice for \$500 - no invoice received yet- trying to find out if we will be getting one

Fundraiser Ideas:

- Possibly ask the Home and Schools to donate to SEA as part of their budgets- **Sandy and Michelle will work on a letter to bring to MCC**
- 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

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.