



The Methacton Special Education Alliance Home and School Association

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Thursday, September 26, 2024 7:00 pm - MHS Library

Attendees: Reba Mann, Sandy Katz, Jodi Kohar, Michelle Greenwalt, Amy Smith, Julie Stephens, Dr. Gravinese, Semira Perdue, Erin Wiggle, Amy Hofmann, Christina Roche, Jessica Ragusa, April Adams, Dan Hicks, Tara Ryan-Schill, Andrea Lopez Pinzon, Nameer Bhatti, Steve Westhoff

1. Motion to Open Meeting: 7:10PM
 - a. Motion to approve by: Amy Smith, 2nd by: Jodi Kohar.
2. Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda with Flexibility:
 - a. Motion to approve by: Julie Stephens, 2nd by: Amy Smith.
3. Motion to Approve Meeting minutes from May 22, 2024:
 - a. Motion to approve by: Jodi Kohar, 2nd by: Amy Smith.
4. Reports
 - a. Administrator's Report - Dr. Gravinese
 - i. Special Education Administrative Staff changes
 1. Grades K-4 - Mrs. Corina Todd
 2. Grades 5-8 - Dr. Dani Fowlston
 3. Grades 9-12 - Ms. Kate Wesolowski until November and Mrs. Joelle Mensch after November
 - ii. Behavior Support

1. Woodland and Worcester - Surpass
 2. Arrowhead and Eagleville - PTS
 3. Skyview - Surpass, PTS, FCS
 4. Arcola - Surpass, PTS, FCS
 5. MHS - Surpass, PTS, FCS, Behavior Intervention
 6. PTS and FCS have been having security clearance delays
- iii. Additional Supports this School Year for Elementary
1. This takes place at Worcester and Woodland
 - a. Worcester only has Worcester students
 - b. Woodland has Woodland, Eagleville, and Arrowhead students
 - c. CLASS - Communication Language Academics Social Support
 - i. MCIU is working onsite in each of the classes to setup curriculum and resources
 1. VB-Mapping
 2. BLAFF
 3. SIPPS (Reading intervention)
 4. IEP Specific Goals
 5. Professional Development and training for CLASS teachers and speech therapists
- iv. Elementary Schools have and Inclusion Facilitator
1. District Special Education Teacher who will oversee each elementary building's inclusion and behavior program
 2. They will carry a caseload of students, push into classrooms and run social skills programming
 3. They will assist Building Principal in assigning third party resources
 4. They will work to remove barriers to inclusion related to behavior
- v. OVR Early Reach
1. Presentations will be held on the last Monday of the Month for Students
 - a. Topics will be under the umbrella headings of Job Exploration, Work-Based Learning, Counseling on Post-Secondary Options, Workplace Readiness Training, and Self-Advocacy Instruction
 2. OVR Vocational Counselor - Amy Moores
 - a. Niki Brislin is working with Amy to have her meet with her caseload for PETS (Pre-Employment Transition Services) and to speak with any families that are interested in signing up.

- vi. Surveys for Cyclical Monitoring will be coming out in October from Case Managers asking parents for feedback. Students 14 and over are also able to complete the survey.
- b. President's Report - Reba
 - i. Annual Calendar Approval
 - 1. Motion to approve by :Sandy Katz, 2nd by Michelle Greenwalt
 - 2. Calendar was approved 6-0
 - ii. Reps & Committee members needed!!
- c. Vice President's Report - Jodi / Sandy
 - i. Committees
 - 1. Fundraising - Jodi / Amy
 - a. Chick Fil-A Community Cares Event 10/15/24
 - b. Kendra Scott -December 13-15th
 - c. Reading Phils Update - 17 books sold for \$225
 - d. MERCH!
 - i. There will be an online Merch store with many different design options
 - ii. There will be a district wide contest for new designs also
 - e. Collegeville Bakery
 - 2. Social Events - Julie
 - a. Fall Fest 10/13/24 - committee needed
 - i. October 13, 2024 (2-4pm)at the House of Wiggle Goats
 - 3. Presentation updates - Sandy
 - a. Kris Koberlein Transition - 10/17/24 7:00pm Zoom
 - b. Dr. Stunder - 11/21/24 - College access/neurodiverse students
 - c. Ms. Washington - 3/20/25 - Belonging
 - d. Surpass - 4/10/25 - Transferable Skills
 - 4. Post Prom - committee needed
- d. Treasurer's Report - Michelle
 - i. Balance - \$2526.86
 - 1. Everyone Reads PA - \$250
 - 2. Reading Phils - \$275
 - ii. 24-25 Budget Approval
 - 1. Motion to approve by :Amy Smith, 2nd by Julie Stephens
 - 2. Budget was approved 6-0
 - iii. Best Buddies / Unified Sports updates
- e. Secretary's Report - Julie / Amy
- f. MCC
 - i. New Board
 - President: Mary Beth Verano
 - VP: Lauren Pires

Treasurer: Erin Cardwell
Secretary: Ian Hoffman

- g. MSD Board of Directors
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Communication Boards / Bags
 - i. The boards are in a holding pattern, waiting on facilities
 - ii. The bags are being designed and may be part of the merch store
- 6. New Business
 - a. Write cards to the family of Susan (the bus aide) who passed away at the beginning of the school year.

Mark Your Calendars

Meeting dates: (mostly Wednesdays)

- September 26, 2024
- November 20, 2024
- January 22, 2024
- March 26, 2024
- May 28, 2024

Presentation dates: (Thursdays, Dates subject to change depending on availability of presenters and District events)

- October 17, 2024 - Kris Koberlein - Transition
- November 21, 2024 - Dr. Stunder - College access/neurodiverse students
- January 16, 2025
- February 2025 - PAIC
- March 20, 2025 - Ms. Washington- Belonging
- April 10, 2025 - Surpass
- May 15, 2025

7. Adjournment: 8:50PM

Motion to approve by: Reba Mann, 2nd by: Amy Smith.