

Campbell County Schools
Special Education Advisory Committee
Monday, September 12, 2022
Meeting Minutes

I. Opening and Welcome – Kim Lemburg, Chair

a. Introduction of officers and visitors

- i. Amy Witt – co-chair
- ii. Sheila Haden – Secretary
- iii. Heather Dooley - community representative with LACIL
- iv. Returning parents: Kathy Brandt, Carrie Wright, Connie Meeks
- v. **CCPS staff** – Dr. Pontius – Director of Special Education
 - 1. Dustin Barrett – Supervisor of Special Education
 - 2. Lessy Nixon – Supervisor of Special Education
 - 3. Gerin Martin – Supervisor of Prek-5 ECED and SPED Ed.
- vi. Introduction of visitors to the meeting

II. Review of minutes – March 7, 2022 approved

III. Current Business:

- a. Kim gave an overview of what our SEAC does and what is required to do by the VDOE regulations:
 - i. Support programs and the education of parents in the CCPS as well as educators in our schools.
 - ii. Be a voice and advocate to the school board and to the Board of Supervisors about decisions made that will affect our students specifically in CCPS.
 - iii. Dr. Pontius presents us with his yearly plan that he presents to the CCPS school board to make us aware of trends and changes in the SPED program.
 - iv. Things our SEAC wants to focus on: Providing informational speakers on topics that are of concern for parents and students with special needs
- b. Kim suggested beginning to form a small subcommittee to continue to streamline and improve our existing bylaws and share a google doc where members can contribute ideas and concerns. The hope is to have a working idea of changes by our next meeting on October 10th to discuss.
- c. Truck or Treat is on Saturday October 29th 2022 at Brookville High School. Amy Witt gave a report sharing the updates on participants, contributions, and

ideas to intentionally share the word about SEAC at the event and gain more members and increase our participation. Folks in the community are excited to participate and it looks to be an awesome success.

- d. Amy Witt's non-profit organization Marisa's Mission is partnering with SEAC to help with events and support.
- e. Next meeting October 10th.

IV. Public Comment

- i. **Kim commented that a parent had expressed frustration at the DARS personnel that they have been dealing with in transitioning their child to the community from school.**
- ii. **We discussed different experiences members had with DARS in the school system and had a chance to get some insight from Veronica Moon, CCPS coordinator for transitioning students into the community.**
- iii. **Another parent had expressed concern that they were unable to inspect their child's records from the school system. Further discussion on this matter was tabled until the next meeting.**

V. Adjournment