



Minutes of Meeting 9/17/14

Present:

Board Officers – Lauren Miller, Carolyn Wilkinson, Kristen Bisio and Heidi Coyne.

Membership Present: list on file.

Meeting was called to order by President Lauren Miller at 7 pm. Welcome, introduction and appointment of new officer, Heidi Coyne, Secretary.

Lauren informed everyone that the support group on Friday's will now have a rotating location each month. First meeting of the school year will be on Friday, September 26 from 10-12 at the Nevins Library in the Trustee's Room.

Annual Craft Fair will be Saturday, November 15th from 10-2 at the Nevins Library.

Disability Alert Form: Chief Solomon suggestion: add different locations on the form as to where your child might wander to. Alert forms have been updated to include this change.

Presenter: Gina Bozek

Addition of 2 new preschool classes at the Marsh: integrated and intensive. Intensive preschools are at the Marsh and Timony. There is 1 full-fay program at CGS.

March 2014-June 2015 there will be 144 children turning 3 in Methuen that receive EI and will need services within the schools, therefore a Speech Therapist has been added to the MPS.

PASS Program at Timony: Decreased teachers by 1.

PDD resource room is now at the High School.

Therapeutic Intervention Program (TIP): Located at Tenney & Methuen High, Tenney Lower School has been added. K-1 model is at Marsh, 2-4 model at CGS.

Added Learning Center classroom - K-1 at the Timony.

PDD Resource Room added to the high school. Expanded the TIP program (2 teachers, 2 classrooms).

A PTA has been added for adaptive PE (Physical Education). PTA will work with school PT. Physical Therapists will make the recommendations for APE (Adaptive Physical Education).

Every 6 years DESC conducts a Coordinated Program Review (CPR); this will be on-site in January 2015.

Bari Glazer will now be located at the Central Admin Building and not CGS.

Bullying updates.

Q & A

2nd Speaker: Officer Ramirez

Officer Ramirez is located at CGS and spoke on the following:

- Walk to school safety
- School bus safety
- Car safety – seat belts, booster seats

In-school safety

- Each school has an officer
- Fire drills are done throughout the year
- Safety meetings are conducted with administrators at each school.
- Lockdowns are practiced.
 - ALICE program training – allows teachers to have the option of what to do in a lockdown once they receive the detailed information. Old lockdown procedures will be changing. Teachers can either “stay or leave” based on information provided.

Q & A

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.