

Arlington Special Education Advisory Committee
MINUTES
 10 January 2023
 In Person & Virtual (Zoom)

ASEAC Members:

First Name	Last Name	Present	Virtual	In person	Vote on December 2022 meeting minutes-APPROVED
Claudia	Ramirez Cuellar	x	x		y
David	Rosenblatt	x		x	
David	Siu	x ⁿ	x		y
Ellen	Fitzenrider	x	x		abs
Emily	Remus				
Jennifer	Wheelock				
Kathryn	Pericak	x		x	y
Keith	Chanon	x	x		abs
Kristin	Gillig	x	x		y
Kurt	Schuler	x		x	y
Laura	Bryant Njanga				
Matt	Leland	x	x		y
Michelle	Bert				

Discussion at the School Board work session on November 29, 2022

Comprehensive systems based change approach required

Mores study not required, but guidance on effective implementation might be useful

Possible to phase in starting in lower grade, or focusing on the high school planning factors

Budget request and process

Reaching out to Superintendent and various cabinet members prior to presentation of Superintendent's budget in February

Opportunities for additional advocacy as School Board considers changes to Superintendent's budget

Should be prepared for a more spending averse climate, even though the School Board recognizes the importance of the planning factors issue.

What do we need to do between the time the budget draft is released and when it is considered?

Preparing training for interpreters.

- Collaboration with Language Services & Registration Center (LSRC) & Office of English Learners
- Surveys have been sent to:
 - Student Support Coordinators
 - Interpreters
 - Bilingual Family Specialists

Content for training has been drafted; will incorporate survey data

Bilingual family specialists will participate in general interpretation training with Liberty Language Training - we will work with coordinator to identify gaps/provide additional info related to APS-specific student support & special education processes

Providing Information to Families

Review of Office of Special Education (OSE) and Parent Resource Center (PRC)

Websites - upcoming translation include:

Student Support Team Manual

Special Education Program Evaluation & 5 Year Plan

PreK/Elementary and Middle/High School Communications Flow Charts

ASEAC Flier
PRC Family Resource & Information Guide
Special Education Saturday Seminar in Spanish on 11.19 from 9-2:30pm
Scheduled to meet w/ Bilingual Family Specialists in February
Parent Toolbox

Family Resource & Information Guide (currently available in English & Spanish)

Introduction to Special Education & Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) - Online modules can be subtitled

La Sopa de la Abuela

PRC Consultations

Translated IEP forms

Social and Emotional Learning Survey Results
Secondary Parent Information Session
Tuesday, January 17, 2023 - 10:30am to 11:30am
Elementary Parent Information Session
Thursday, January 19, 2023 - 1pm to 2pm

PreK to Kindergarten Transition Sessions
Virtual Evening Session: January 25 - 7 to 8pm
In Person Morning Session: January 26 - 10 to 11am

Substance Use Prevention and Students with Disabilities
English Session: February 16 - 7pm to 8:30pm
Spanish Session: February 23 - 7pm to 8:30pm

SPAM Warning

One of our ASEAC members received fraudulent emails that used Kathy Pericak's name, but did not come from her email address or the ASEAC email address. They asked the member to buy apple gift cards. Please know Ms. Pericak uses the ASEAC email address when reaching out to people, and will never ask anyone to buy anything.

Recruitment

ASEAC is looking to recruit teacher and student members.

Adjourned: 8:50 PM