



Special Education Parent Advisory Committee May 17, 2023 Minutes

Present:

PAC Representatives: Brian Hagler (Lansing), Cathy Blatnik (Okemos), Jennifer Pace (East Lansing)
ISD Staff: Greg Molenda, Rhiannon Schindewolf-Deshais

Absent: Brandy Tinkey (Leslie), Latina McCausey (Waverly)

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm

- I. Welcome
- II. Minutes from April 19, 2023 meeting were reviewed and approved. Cathy moved. Jen seconded.
- III. Administrative Reports
 - a. Greg Molenda, Ingham ISD Director, Technical Assistance and ASD Programs
 - i. Special Education Mediation Services is a free resources for families. Families can have a trained mediator or facilitator attend a meeting to ensure all voices are heard and processes are documented. The district doesn't have to do what you are requesting, but both the parent and the district will understand each other after the meeting.
 - ii. MPSE special education software is rolling out in the fall.
 - iii. What are some other resources where we want to direct families? Examples: Michigan Alliance for Families, Disability Rights of Michigan.
 - iv. Monitoring reports went out to districts. Moving to a digital dashboard for our future reports instead of paper reports.
 - b. No waivers or deviations
- IV. Business Meeting
 - a. Elections
 - i. Brian Hagler elected Chair
 - ii. Cathy Blatnik elected Secretary
 - b. 2023 Fall Fun Fest
 - i. September 16, 1pm-3pm at Hawk Island, Red Tail Shelter
 - ii. Brian has not yet heard from other PACs about coordinating
 - iii. Rhia has emailed Community Partners about the event
 - c. PAC Spring/Summer Newsletter
 - i. Rhia shared the newsletter for PAC approval. Will now be sent to Public Relations.

Meeting ended 7:05pm