

## SEPAC meeting 1-10-19

Susan H, Crystal, Autumn, Mary, Jodi. Matt arrived later.

- Update – speakers
    - UCP of Berkshire county
    - Minutes not being uploaded on website since 2/18
    - MassPac – not want district person every meeting
  - SEPAC program update
    - Library – guidance office in high school for special ed
      - Donations requested
      - Possible pre-school focused books at AEL
      - Or a library in every school...
      - Basic four books – books like to see in each school, available to staff / parents grant request to GEF? – for \$600 basic library in each principal office
    - Safety/bus
      - Special ed buses without cameras... issue when kids can't communicate
      - How many vehicles, cameras cost with Matt
      - Fire drill – for kids with needs
        - “leave them there and fire department will get them”
      - Spot – where kids would congregate
      - Protected ears? Designated staff?
      - Training ...
    - Housing communities connections in process:
      - Oak Courts, Leyden Woods, Greenfield Gardens
    - Liaison
      - Tech department to routes to us... Sepac email...
- Carol Holzberg

- AEL: Autumn, Federal St: Jodi, Four Corners: Crystal, Newton: Jodi, Middle School: Erin, High School: Mary
- Jodi to get sepac email up and running
- Jodi to send email to principals –
- Speakers: neuro-movement Anat Baniel – Anna spoke about
  - Pathlight – family services and have autism connections / whole children/ family empowerment... coming in...
  - Marty Rachels human rights officers... and our kids
  - Four speakers – legislation living, new methods... staff too... letter to school committee – we provide support services to all parents – we like to propose 4 professional development per period – topics interest to faculty and administrators on rights and laws... money set aside in PD... money for books, and speakers... cameras... to SC – budget committee meeting... 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday – agenda on update from SEPAC February 13 Adrian Nunez for 5 minutes... did, brought in, initiatives for year.... And what we need speaker series / faculty, reference library...
  - Crystal Zimmer.... Secretary; Autumn ... considering Treasurer
  - Co-chairs – Mary and Jodi
  - Riverside Industries... CBDS community-based day services for 18-22 – site-less program based on needs/desires for students
  - ALEC Autism and Law Enforcement Coalition to come here
    - Ed Voudren – transportation coordinator – law enforcement... training bus monitors, drivers, etc.
    - Provider fair – at HS? To get info about resources / next spring... to do with Mary McClintock – April vacation... ?? Community Action collaboration coordinator
    - Parents rights to know –
    - Speakers at Zon GCTV... ?? Volunteer hours hs

- Premium assistance helps you pay for your premiums... masshealth
- Parent concerns