

SEPAG Meeting Minutes- November 30, 2016

Follow up meeting with Dr. Tuohy, Dr. Lombardi and Melanie Minch-Klass- January 3, 2017

Theme	Topic	Date Discussed	Targeted Deliverable Date	Status
Events	POAC walk	10/1/2016	6/3/2017	Received confirmation that June 3rd is available for Lombardi Field. Email into Simone from POAC to discuss logistics and finalizing event. Dr. Tuohy to follow up with Allison Vass to schedule SEPTA field day on June 4th weekend of events.
Parent Concerns	IEP Workshop	10/1/2016	1/26/2017	Hillary Freeman doing a parent workshop on IEP rights
	Disability Awareness	Ongoing	3/1/2017	During meeting, discussed creating disability awareness programs. Mentioned success that schools are having with "OK to be different" curriculum. Also discussing best practices at other schools; Dr. Tuohy mentioned success of buddy bench at Voorhees. Any disability awareness/bullying prevention programs are driven by school guidance counselors and principals. Need more information about how best practices are shared among schools.
Training	Sibling Support	11/30/2016	6/1/2017	Parents expressed desire for sibling support within the district. Dr. Tuohy was interested in the idea and will discuss with social workers
	Special Ed Teachers	Ongoing	ongoing	Received trainings throughout September-November. Topics included: VB Mapp Training, Verbal Behavior Through Play, Implementing Behavioral Supports, Assistive Technology, Supporting Inclusion of Special Needs Students, Record Data Collection, and Crisis Prevention Intervention. February 8th they will go through social skills training
	Paras	Ongoing	ongoing	Paras attended several of the same classes as the special education teachers. Due to their contract, they do not get paid to stay past their regular work hours so they leave and then the teachers fill them in on the rest of the trainings. Discussed programs for paras to get more training . Georgia and Christine are actively going into classrooms and modeling for the paras.

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GE teachers received training in December. On January 11th all related arts teachers will have training on children with varying disabilities. Georgia will be doing the training.

	Parent	Ongoing	ongoing	Dr. Tuohy has held monthly parent trainings since September. Christine Dougherty will be doing an ABA training in January and in February there will be a training on RETHINK data. Only parents who attend the training will have access to RETHINK; however, we proposed creating a generic webinar and then once a parent watches it they are granted access to RETHINK. Dr. Tuohy is contemplating the idea.
District Support	Communication	Ongoing	ongoing	Mutual commitment to work collaboratively in the best interest of special education.