



FISD SEPTO

MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: Annex Training Room 1

DATE: 11/21/2025

TIME: 12:00 PM

AGENDA ITEMS

I. Leadership Reports

- a) Ashley Ashna, Executive Director of Special Education
 - i) Holiday Parties: The district is encouraging consistency across the schools as it pertains to Holiday parties. Starting on the Christmas parties, we are encouraging Parents to attend all parties. This would help the paraprofessionals.
 - ii) We're working with Texas Workforce Commission and Arc of the Gulf Coast to set up a resource night on January 21st.
 - iii) We had about 25 families that came out for the Dyslexia Night. We had sessions on different types of technology from grant. What to do when your child is finished with dyslexia.

II. Special Education PTO Business

- a) **Communication Updates (Vanessa – not present)**
 - i) Julie printed flyers to post at local businesses. Vanessa and Julie started posting them physically at local businesses as well as on social media.
- b) **Hospitality Budget (Ceeanna)**
 - i) Ceeanna reaching out to Friendswood Cares to see if we can adopt a family for Christmas
 - ii) Teacher Appreciation
 - (1) December we plan to participate in the district appreciation breakfast/dinner. Crystal / George – to reach out to Tammy L to determine how we can participate
 - (2) February Valentines
- c) **Fundraising Ideas (Allie)**
 - i) Discussion of collaborative fundraising with campus PTOs (shared percentage)
 - ii) Exploring ongoing partnership opportunities with local businesses
- d) **Nominating Committee (Erica – not present)**
 - i) One current member (Erica)
 - ii) Need additional members representing different age groups and campuses

- iii) Will address at next meeting

III. Future Speaker Topics

- a) Request for suggestions on speakers/topics for future meetings
- b) Ideas mentioned:
 - i) Financial planning for special needs families
 - ii) Puberty and sexuality
 - iii) Police Good Shepherd program
 - iv) Texas Workforce Commission
 - v) Student workshops on inclusiveness
 - vi) Sibling panel
 - vii) Community programs/resources (Special Strong, Special Friends, etc.)
 - viii) Social skills programs
 - ix) Financial planning and special needs trusts

IV. Action Items

- a) Post parent meeting dates with Mr. Ashna on Facebook group
- b) Post Houston Ballet sensory-friendly Nutcracker information (February 28)
- c) Schedule fundraising committee meeting before October meeting
- d) Identify additional nominating committee members

V. Next Meeting:

- a) Board Meeting Jan 21st
- b) Member meeting Jan 23rd

VI. Adjournment