



Acton-Boxborough Special Education
Parent Advisory Council

(AB SpEd PAC)

Business Meeting

Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the RJ Grey Junior High library

Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

Review and approval of March 9, 2016, and April 13, 2016, meeting minutes

III. Organization/Business Issues

- A. Updates from Monthly Meeting with Director of Special Education
- B. New Director of Special Education Candidate Community Forum Update
- C. Reviewing & Revising Open Issues
- D. Brainstorming PAC Goals & Priorities for 2016-2017 School Year
- E. Description of PAC Officer Positions for Elections June 8th
- F. Next Parenting Support Hour 10:30 a.m. June 1st at the Acton Memorial Library

IV. New Business – Other topics on people's minds

V. Open Issues

- A. MCAS – 4th grade ELA performance for students with disabilities is weak
- B. Futures Education findings RE: student to assistant ratios high by peer standards
- C. Concerns about the process for combining outside specialists' recommendations with district evaluations/recommendations and appropriately incorporating those recommendations into the IEP
- D. Mandatory special education training/professional development for regular and special education staff – hiring dual-certified staff
- E. Enhanced summer school and after school/extracurricular programming
- F. Increased use of technology in IEP development/revision process

VI. Adjournment

All AB SpEd PAC meetings are open to the public. We encourage parents of children with special needs and others interested in special education to attend. Please check our website (www.abspedpac.org) for information regarding upcoming events.

VII. Next Meeting

Annual meeting and elections Wednesday, June 8, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. in the RJ Grey Junior High library