



**Acton-Boxborough Special Education
Parent Advisory Council
(AB SpEd PAC)**

Business Meeting

Wednesday, February 15, 2017, 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 November 19, 2016, meeting minutes

III. Organization/Business Issues

- A. Updates from Monthly Meeting with Special Education Director
- B. Coordinated Program Review Update
- C. FY 2018 Budget Items
- D. Extended School Year Clarification RE: Qualifying, Policy, & Procedures
- E. Speaker & Support Group Schedule
 1. Next Support Group Meeting Saturday, March 4, from 1-3 p.m. at St. Matthews United Methodist Church, Acton
 2. Sarah Ward on Executive Functioning & Resilience Tuesday, March 7, from 7-8:30 p.m. at RJ Grey Junior High
 3. Basic Rights in Special Education Workshop & Transition Presentation TBD

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

V. Open Issues

- A. MCAS – 3rd & 4th grade ELA performance vulnerable for students with disabilities
- B. Concerns about the process for combining outside specialists’ recommendations with district evaluations/recommendations and appropriately incorporating those recommendations into the IEP
- C. Mandatory special education training/professional development for regular and special education staff – hiring dual-certified staff
- D. Enhanced Extended School Year, before-, and after-school programming
- E. Increased use of technology in IEP development, revision, & communication
- F. Out of District findings from 2015 parent/guardian survey counter overall positive trend
- G. Need for consistent K-12 executive functioning curriculum

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

Wednesday, March 8, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. in the RJ Grey Junior High library