Acton-Boxborough Special Education
Parent Advisory Council

Business Meeting
Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2013 at 7:30 pm

Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes
Review and approval of Sept. 2013 meeting minutes

IV. Organization/Business Issues
A. Revised contact list for AB SpEd PAC & Friends Organizations
B. Open Meeting Law officer certificates for current school year
C. MCAS meeting with Liza Huber & Deb Bookis
   – Preliminary 2013 MCAS highlights
   – Writing interventions
   – Changing assessment environment – Common Core & PARCC
   – Special education budget priorities
   – Curriculum budget priorities

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

VI. Open Issues
A. 2012 SpEd PAC MCAS Analyses
B. Futures Education review of special education services and implications of recommendations for students
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

VII. 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 current information regarding upcoming events.