



Berlin/Boylston Public Schools
Special Education Parent Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

- Date:** May 28, 2014 7:13 PM
- Meeting Place:** Tahanto Regional Middle/High School Multi-Purpose Room
- In attendance:** Karen Groccia, Christina Stille, Rochelle Peret, Karen Molnar, James Peret, Lynne Lavallee, Jennifer Stander, Paula Beaulac, Karen Perry
- Presentation:** *"Behavior De-escalation Techniques"* presented by Nadine Ekstrom
- Membership:** No change, 93 members, 51 Yahoo! Group members.
Rochelle Peret
- Financial:** No report this month as Lori Michalak is not in attendance.
- Communications:** Received a message from a parent who is considering moving to the district, and is wondering what our district is like. Christi forwarded them to the Administration to get more details, but gave a basic rundown. The Planning Board reports that a housing development will be built off of School St., in addition to the new Sewall St. homes, which will affect the number of students attending the regional schools.
- PR Report:** Our meeting notice got picked up by the Banner, PawPrints, Tahanto website, and Facebook page. Flyer went out to BES. Scholarship reminder went out to the high schools. Karen will do PR for June 11 meeting. Karen will send out a press release regarding the presented Excellent Education Awards. PR will be sent out regarding summer planning meeting. Karen Molnar will check to see how many SEPAC brochures we have remaining, and determine whether we need to reprint.
Karen Groccia
- PPS** Karen shared the Parent Feedback statistics from the district, which we will tailor for the website.
Karen Molnar

OLD BUSINESS

Excellent Educator Awards Submissions for 10 teachers total, 5 for Tahanto and 5 for BES. Rochelle presented the awards to BES teachers at the May 19th Staff Meeting, and the Tahanto awards will be presented at the June 2nd Staff Meeting by the Principal.

Scholarship Voting occurred on anonymous submissions. Two were selected for scholarships, and will be presented this year at graduation by Principal Diane Tucceri.

New Business Resource list was passed about for reorganization.
Summer planning meeting scheduled for August 6 6PM at Christi Stille's house.

School Meeting Reports:

BES School Council: No meeting in May, wrap up meeting for handbook updates in June.

Literacy Committee: Done.

Regional School Committee: no SpEd issues to report

BMS School Committee: no SpEd issues to report

BES School Committee: no SpEd issues to report

Tahanto STAAGS PTO: no SpEd issues to report

Berlin LINK: no info to report

BUSS (Berlin United to Support our Students): no SpEd issues to report

Boylston PTO: no SpEd issues to report

Superintendent's School Council: no SpEd issues to report

M/s/p to adjourn

Meeting adjourned 9:41 pm

Approved: Electronic approvals on file.

_____ Christi Stille, Co-President

_____ Karen Groccia, Vice President

_____ Lori Michalak, Treasurer

_____ Rochelle Peret, Secretary

Submitted by:

Rochelle B. Peret

Rochelle Peret, Secretary