



# 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 8<sup>th</sup>
- F. Next Parenting Support Hour 10:30 a.m. June 1<sup>st</sup> at the Acton Memorial Library

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

### V. Open Issues

- A. MCAS – 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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