

Acton-Boxborough Special Education Parent Advisory Council (AB SEPAC)

Business Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Virtual Meeting Over Zoom

To attend: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84512204162>

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I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

Review and approval of June 9, 2021, meeting minutes

III. Organization/Business Issues

- A. Welcome to New Director of Special Education & Updates from Monthly Meeting
 - 1. Transportation issues
 - 2. Hiring status & new staff
 - 3. Early budget priorities, including ARPA & ESSER funds
- B. Review of SEPAC Priorities & Current Actions for 2021-2022 School Year
 - 1. Relationship Building with New Administrators, Families, & Other SEPACs
 - 2. Address & Remove Barriers to SEPAC Participation & SEPAC Leadership
 - 3. Gather Stakeholder Feedback & Make Recommendations Regarding Inclusion for Students Placed in Substantially-Separate Program(s)
 - 4. Continued Advocacy RE: SEPAC Dyslexia Recommendations
 - 5. Monitor Families' Experiences with Extended School Year, Return to School & Pandemic Recovery
 - 6. Workshops on Basic Rights, Post-Secondary Options, Other Topics TBD
- C. Discussion of Crisis Teams & Feedback

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

V. Open Issues

- A. MCAS performance vulnerable for students with disabilities
- B. Mandatory special education training/professional development for regular and special education staff – hiring dual-certified staff
- C. Increasing opportunities for meaningful inclusion across domains
- D. Enhanced Extended School Year, before-, and after-school programming
- E. Increased use of technology in IEP development, revision, & communication
- F. Following up on communication issues noted as barriers to overall satisfaction and subgroup trends for Out of District, Early Childhood, and Specific Learning Disabilities identified via 2015 and 2017 parent/guardian surveys
- G. Need for consistent K-12 executive functioning curriculum

VI. Adjournment

VII. Next Meeting

Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Virtual Meeting Over Zoom