

SPeaC meeting minutes October 8, 2015

Al Panzerella addressed the group- BOE has started strategic planning for the future of the district. Next Thursday interviews for the interim superintendent will commence. Moore Kids will try a new event - "activity day". Teens from the high school will volunteer to be buddies for special needs population and do a variety of activities October 25th from 1 to 3. The goal is to have sports and non sports options to appeal to a wider group of kids. Saturday 17th will be a sensory Halloween workshop. October 10th will be shoe tying workshop at Carl's shoes from 11 to 1.

Dave Tate updated the group. We are using the New IEP system - IEP Direct. We rolled all the student data over this summer. There is ongoing training for the new formatting.

We are planning to roll out a special needs after school club in the next few weeks - the students will experience a variety of activities including sports and the arts. The pilot program will start in the high school.

Reading training for staff is ongoing. The implementation of the programming is ongoing for students through the UES.

Special Ed population in district has increased. 16 percent of the student population have IEPs. Staffing has gone up accordingly. A new special Ed teacher is being hired for WAMs (7th grade inclusion class).

We will coordinate with Officer Wright to look into a registry program for individuals prone to wandering and elopement.

Discussion regarding emergency management and preparing special population students accordingly. Drills are required twice a month. We do practice with the kids and work to desensitize them according to their triggers.

"Thank a para" day scaled back this year - we will give each para a small gift from SPeaC. We would like to do around Thanksgiving.