



Jefferson Davis Parish Special Education Advisory Council
Jefferson Davis Parish School Board Office
203 East Plaquemine Street
Jennings, Louisiana 70546
August 22, 2024 at 3:00 PM
SEAC Meeting Minutes

Mr. Jeremy Fuselier called the meeting to order by offering a prayer and leading the pledge.

Mr. Fuselier addressed the reason for the meeting relocation and explained the purpose of the training rooms at the Pupil Appraisal office.

The notetaker did the roll call and present at the meeting: Chairperson Mr. Jeremy Fuselier, Mrs. Dana Simar, Mrs. Myisha Nixon, Mrs. Laci Lemieux, and Mrs. Holly Landry. Absent: Mrs. Tiffany Pitre, Ms. Ashlynn Pitre, Mrs. June Abshire and Mrs. Susan Reihn. Mr. Fuselier welcomed everyone again and gave a brief summary of the membership requirements, committee's purpose and vision.

May 2024 meeting minutes were read and the floor was opened for a motion to accept the minutes. Motion to accept by Mrs. Holly Landry (Parent); seconded by Mrs. Myisha Nixon (Parent).

Old business discussed was the Summer Literacy Camp, Autism Camp and the Summer ESY Program at Jennings Elementary and Welsh Elementary for PreK and K students who struggle with transitions. The program was initiated as a result of working with students who lack social skills needed to succeed in the traditional school setting. Participation was great and so far its benefits are showing with some of the students.

In new business, the chairperson shared upcoming Special Olympic events and possible back to school dance information. He re-stated a partnership with incoming Sheriff Kyle Myers and explained that these funds will be used to continue providing these social activities for the SWD in PreK to 12th grade. He also said that there is enough funding to take care of the needs for this upcoming year. The floor was opened to discuss any new initiatives that would assist the district to grow. Mrs. Landry stated that there are parents who are unaware of where to go to get the assistance for their SWD. Very passionately she expressed that many parents and guardians need help. From this conversation, the committee agreed that the district should host Parent Nights at each school. These gatherings would allow parents to attend their local school and obtain useful information for their particular needs.

Mr. Fuselier discussed Special Education staff positions and how work responsibilities were being absorbed as opposed to hiring more staff. He shared collective goals and celebrations of student performance on statewide assessments and stressed how the district changes will happen drastically and intentionally. He summarized the 2024 - 2025 Priorities and SpEd Shifts.

Mr. Hall enters while Mr. Fuselier reviewed the IDEA budget and explicitly identified each code along with its budgeted amount and what the funds are allocated for.

As the meeting came to a close, the committee began a conversation about parent night topics and changing the format of the Transition Expo so that more people could attend.

The next meeting date was shared 12/12/2024 at 3:00 pm and Mr. Fuselier stated that an email invite would be sent. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mrs. Holly Landry and it was seconded by Mrs. Myisha Nixon.