OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL ST. JAMES PARISH SCHOOLS

Notice: A meeting of the Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) was scheduled for Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 6:00PM at the School Board Meeting Room.

SEAC MEETING MINUTES

- 1. Senecca Boudreaux, Director of Special education and Chairman of SEAC, called the meeting to order at 6:04PM.
- 2. Dr. Melissa Roussel read the prayer.
- 3. Tammy Templet led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4. The following members were present: Senecca Boudreaux, Tammy Templet, Dr. Melissa Roussel, Roxanne Washington, April Cole, Donna Arceneaux, Madeline Young, Ken Brass, Renee Frye
- 5. Senecca Boudreaux welcomed all parents shared a presentation that included:
 - a. An overview of the advisory council including purpose for SEAC
 - b. Procedures for public comments
 - c. Introduction of the 2022-2023 SEAC Members
 - d. The special education monthly newsletter
 - e. The special education tab of the district website
 - i. Special education survey
 - ii. Child search policy
 - iii. SEAC meeting dates, email address, and agendas
 - iv. Copy of the Rights of Parents with Children with Disabilities
 - f. Parent Agenda Items
- 6. Renee Frye gave an overview of Bayouland Families Helping Families
 - a. History of the program through ACT 378
 - b. Peer to Peer Support
 - c. Education in Training
 - d. Information resource outreach
- 7. Dr. Melissa Roussel shared concerns regarding Community and School Awareness and Involvement through board discussions
 - a. Concerns about special needs students not shown equally on district website
 - b. The community lacking arts for special needs students (dancing, art classes)
 - c. The need to get companies and businesses to support for increased opportunities
 - d. School to Work Programs
 - e. Buddy Buddy System to support some special needs students
- 8. On motion by Ken Brass, seconded by Tammy Templet and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:04PM.