

Hanover SEPAC BOARD MEETING

Meeting Minutes 1.13.2023

Co-Chair – Diane King

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Secretary – Allison Taylor

Public Relations – Caitlin Melone

Events Coordinator- Kate Sullivan

At-Large Members –

Alicia Cleary

Melanie Darcy- Center School building rep

Katie Davis- Cedar School building rep

Diane DiTullio- HHS building rep

Jill Hall -HMS building rep

Jill Livermore

Lori Murphy

Allison Sgambato

School Committee Liaison- Ryan Hall

Agenda:

- Update from SEPAC chair Diane King.
 - A look ahead
 - Diane will be stepping down next year, is hoping someone(s) will be interested in chair/co-chair and she can take the next few months to mentor her successor.
 - Diane and Caitlin are reviewing and updating the Bylaws with a goal to have this done by spring.
 - Policy work
 - Ongoing, collaborating with Director or Student Services and the school committee. Most of the work so far has been to section I section. There is a lot of work ahead so if anyone would be interested please contact Diane.
- Update from Events Coordinator Kate Sullivan
 - Checking in on Our Teens
 - Well attended. Great feedback. Available online for 30 days.
 - Upcoming events
 - January 13th- board meeting- 11am via zoom
 - February 6th- Katelyn Mabry, ADHD Life Coach 7pm via zoom
 - March 10th- board meeting-11am via zoom
 - April- Kaitlin Morellie will present on transitions
 - April- Elizabeth Tan will discuss the role of an advocate
 - May 12th- board meeting-11am via zoom
 - June 9th- board meeting-11am via zoom
- Update from Director of Student Services
 - Policy work- values SEPAC's contributions
 - Hiring- District priority. Plan to have mini job fair for special education, collaborate with local colleges/student teachers, expanding mentoring program. This will be reviewed in further detail at the next school committee meeting
 - Timelines for evaluations are going well at the elementary and middle school. The high school is behind so the recently hired school psychologist for all schools will devote all her time to the high school exclusively until they catch up.
 - Mental health supports at the middle and high school- plan to set up a Q & A meeting with the community to review resources and supports.

- Inclusive schools week- discussed timing in October (current) versus moving to early December to align with the national community timing and resources. The majority of the group was in agreement. Suggested that SEPAC be more involved in the early stages of planning
- Open Discussion