

MEETING MINUTES

Special Education Advisory Council

Building Connections to Foster Belonging & Learning for All

November 15, 2022, 11:30 am

Welcome / Introductions – Amie Bybee began the meeting by welcoming everyone and passing around a card for Wendy Lubbe, former SEAC member, so everyone could thank her for her service.

District Updates:

Bond 2023 - Dr. Kyle Hayden, Deputy Superintendent of Finance and Operations, shared information on the January ballot initiative for a new BV School Bond. It will cover Facilities, Safety, and Technology. You can access a video and information about Bond 2023 on the Blue Valley website.

Math Curriculum Update - Jen Taylor, K-8 Mathematics District Coordinator and Jennie Perdieu, SPED administrator, shared with the committee members information about the new math resource this year, i-Ready. The math committee has been researching new math initiatives that will support all students. There are four pillars to i-Ready: visualization, creativity, flexibility, and mind-set. They are very excited about this resource that will help general ed and sped students.

Committee/Initiative updates-

Jen Crable and Amie Bybee shared the following:

Parents Supporting Parents may move to a different location for lunch and support, any changes will be emailed to the committee.

SPED Resource Fair - Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the SPED Resource Fair should contact Heather Jenkins, who is the lead for this event. The date is February 9th and will take place at HLC, as it has for many years. Many volunteers are needed, especially the day of the event.

The Job Olympics for high school students will take place on March 3, location to be determined. They would like volunteers from every high school to help with this event.

The BV middle schools will have their own Job Olympics in April of 2023, more information to follow.

Open Forum-

Cindy Reid is organizing the “I Can Bike” bike program that will occur in the spring. Date to be determined, volunteers will be needed for this opportunity that teaches children to ride bikes.

iCan Bike programs are for people with disabilities ages eight and up. We understand that the vast majority of people with disabilities never experience the thrill of independently riding a two-wheel bicycle during their lifetime. For example, recent research shows that over 80% of people with Autism and 90% of people with Down syndrome never learn to ride a two-wheel bicycle. Defying these odds is why we exist!

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, January 17th, 11:30 am
High Plains Conference Room at DO