SEAC BARRINGTON MEETING

September 11, 2018 6:30 pm

Barrington Public Library

1. Call to order
	1. Introductions
2. News Or Announcements

Mr Messore reviewed SEAC - did policy work over the summer and reviewed state regulations

We advise to the school committee

This is our organization, but we have an opportunity to have a school committee rep (Dr. Megan Douglas) liason

Funding: PTO had been long standing practice. Based on regulations, SEAC is to be funded by the district. We need to decide what we want to fund and present to school committee.

Action: SEAC to decide what we need by next meeting and present to Kristin what we estimate we need this year. Be prepared in Spring ‘19 to present ‘20 school year budget items

Megan Douglas: her role came about because School committee decided they need to develop committees as a liason - about increasing communications

(policy was distributed to the group)

Discussion about process of sending applications for SEAC

Minutes will be sent to Megan or we can set up a presentation to the school committee - quarterly opportunities

Mr. Messore encouraged us to invite guests from administration that can speak to topics that we are interested in.

Mr Messore excused himself

SEAC membership Applications due on the 15th

The applications will be given to us right away.

3. Project Updates

* 1. Facebook page- suggestion If the PTO could share the Facebook page
	2. We can share to their pages
	3. New webpage link to the survey
	4. Link to pair with a mentor
	5. Mentoring for new families
	6. Survey results- basic rights workshop RIPIN was a top interest

4. Plan for SEAC coverage at Open Houses

-Lisa - HMS -13th

-Lisa Sowams- 26th

-Stephanie -Nayatt 26th

Primrose - Peggy

BHS - 26th -Lisa and Carol

20th BMS- setting up but unattended

Stephanie will make flyers for Facebook

5. Initial information on Establishing a Best Buddies Chapter at BHS

    Look into what the program entails

    Requirements needed from school

    Process for starting a group

    Present to the high school leadership

Markowski (Special ed chair for HS)

Hurley - principal

Bring in a student council member- start there

Stephanie will reach out to the local Best Buddies chapter as well as another school that has had success (cole school in EG)

6. Planning for 2018-19 projects: Member input Welcome!

-Basic rights workshop

    Look to include other east bay districts

    Choose a date propose November and January

-Best Buddies implementation

-Option to re-do the “welcome” binder

-new ideas:

PTOs looking for presentations to get more people to come

-could SEAC send a representative to come to the PTO meetings?

Yes, please send us the information

Looking to have a seac rep on each PTO -

Kate Davignon - SEAC rep for nayatt

Janice - SEAC rep for sowams

Peggy - sowams

Lisa - high school

Stephanie - Hampden Meadows

Primrose - need someone - can principal nominate someone ?

Have a 5 minute update at each SEAC meeting for a “PTO Update”

7. New Business

-Discussion of outreach through other venues ie Flag Football

BYSA, other ways to let people know about SEAC that aren’t educational

-Discussion of reporting behavioral issues for police calls -fact that it is in the paper

Sensitivity of behavioral issues ADA regulations when reporting in the paper  etc.

Suggestion to contact paper and discuss directly with the editor

Discussion of “special needs” registry type list with the town

*-*Discussion of how we can advocate as a group (really only education related)

Can advocate as individuals directly to the organizations

-Social emotional well being is a pillar of the strategic initiatives

-generally agreed need to focus on behavioral issues

-Discussion of Heidi Rousseau coming to speak at Nayatt as a school administrator

Needs to have an educator/aide, social worker

-General information about what titles are/roles are for educators- and again, need to keep everyone aware of transitions between schools

-Suggestion to re-send out the application to try to get a student rep on the SEAC

-Kristen will find out how the distribution list works and see if people can opt in to get the emails

-Put the SEAC flyer in the backpack express as an option

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Approval

Motion made to approve minutes from last meeting

Adjourn 8:30 pm