



New Hope-Solebury School District

Special Education Committee Meeting Agenda March 16th, 2017 - 6pm UES Library

Per Policy 006.2, all public meetings of the Board of School Directors, including committees, are audio recorded.

Social Skills Groups will be running. We would like to be able to split the children into groups based on age and/or grade to provide more age appropriate instruction. Please RSVP with child(s) age to: jgormley@nhsd.org

The purpose of the New Hope-Solebury Special Education Committee (SEC) is to provide the NHS Board of School Directors with advice and guidance about special education best practices and ways the school district can deliver special education services as effectively and inclusively as possible. The Committee is a positive, solution-oriented group, which is advisory in nature. Although the Committee does not make policy, procedures, or regulations for students in the New Hope-Solebury School District, the committee does provide solutions and recommendations that adheres to all legislative mandates including IDEA, which mandates a free, appropriate education for all students with special needs.

What Does the SEC Committee do? The Committee will support the District with respect to issues related to special education, including:

- *Helping to identify and develop priorities, options, and strategies to more effectively deliver services to ALL students with physical, emotional, and/or learning differences*
- *Developing long range plans and goals for consideration by the Board and school personnel relative to special education services; and*
- *Advising school personnel, the Board of School Directors, and the community about challenges related to special education.*

Who Serves on the SEC Committee?

The Committee serves at the will of the Board of School Directors and is a collaborative effort that builds from the diverse members that are among school personnel, current students, parents, and community representatives.

Call to Order

Old Business

- Approve minutes from February 22nd, 2017 meeting
- Review roles members have selected to assist in creating the first *Awareness Day*
- Narrow down the day the committee wants to select as the day for *Awareness Day*.

New Business

- Guest speaker Dudley Rice will be attending to discuss inclusion in regards to current recreation activities.
- Introduce the next guest speaker who will be attending the next meeting to review where the committee is in planning the first *Awareness Day* and what areas need firming up.

Public Comment

Adjournment