

SE Parent Meeting Minutes 5/6/09

7:00pm Walnut Street School

After reviewing meeting minutes from last month we continued and elaborated on specific functions and roles the Advisory committee could play. A major part of the discussion was creating a parent to parent network that could serve as a support system.

One suggestion involved creating a parent contact list of individuals that are willing to have their phone numbers shared to serve in this role. As a result I have developed the attached form. If you would like to be included on the "Parent Support Network" sheet please complete the form and return it to the office of special services.

Another idea involved the development of a parent resource packet. At this point we decided we will work together to develop this resource packet in the upcoming months.

One other concept involved the ability to post messages on the district Special Service Webpage to serve as a forum for discussion. We will work with the district technology office to work on this goal as well.

Other topics that came up continued to be with a Mentoring program. The idea of using National Honor Society students was discussed as one potential method. Another suggestion was using regular education siblings of our special needs students to work other students. The thought behind this was that these students would be sensitive to the needs of our special needs children since they have a family member with potentially similar issues.

At this point in the year we will not hold a meeting in the month of June due to end of the year school activities. We will, however, attempt to meet over the summer to keep the conversation and ideas flowing. Thank you all for your support and effort, I look forward to continuing to build our parent group and to increase the partnership between the school and community.

Special Education Parent Network

Yes I would like to be listed on the Woodbury Special Education Parent Network list. I understand that this list will be distributed to all special education parents within the district. The purpose of this list is for parents to be able to call each other to ask questions and gain support from one another.

Please complete if interested and send bottom portion back to:

Woodbury Public Schools
Office of Special Services
60 Walnut Street
Woodbury, NJ 08096

Parent Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Student Grade Level: _____

Student Classification: _____

Student Program/Placement: _____