

SEAC Meeting Notes 3-25-2014  
6p-7:45p Room 216

Attendees: Chad Trench, Kalya Schaefer, Amy Onken, Brenda Bugbee, and Lisa Greenburg

Speaker on Music Therapy in the Schools-Kayla Schaefer:

- Presented a powerpoint on what music therapy in the schools might look like
- Provided resources and additional information if parents want to pursue music therapy outside of the school day for their child
- Parents expressed a desire/interest in having music therapy as a related services in the SANB schools
  - Follow up items:
    - Director Dunaski will continue to talk with staff and administration about how this might work in the SANB schools (i.e. funding options, programming, consultation vs direct service options, etc)

Speaker from Special Olympics-Chad Trench:

- Navigated the Special Olympics website to show parents how to register their child for various programs and what is available on the website
- Described the sports and other options available through Special Olympics for both students and adults (activity participation and volunteer opportunities)
- Discussed what it might entail to start a program within SANB or how SANB students could join surrounding area programs/teams
- Parents expressed a desire to look into this more since there are more sports available, and year round, then what is currently available through adapted athletics (soccer only)
  - Follow up items:
    - Director Dunaski will schedule a meeting with Athletic Director Urdahl, building Principals and Superintendent Laney to further discuss the option of how we can grow Special Olympics programming in SANB
    - Schedule a follow up meeting with Mr. Trench

Director Dunaski provided updates:

- Discussed budget reduction ideas being considered at each building; answered questions about how these reductions might effect special education programming and staff
- Presented information about Project Discovery transition curriculum, the new Woodbury transition program Pathways to Independence and the PAES lab curriculum and assessment; discussed future possibilities for expanding transition programming at

SAVHS and explained what our current programming looks like; reviewed partnerships we have for transition programming with students age 18-21 years (Intermediate district 287 and 916; Mounds view)

- Presented an opportunity for the Nurtured Heart Approach Training being led by Karen Mortinson, Mounds view schools, starting Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> and continuing every Thursday night for 5 weeks from 6:30-8:00 pm. Any parent that is interested can contact Ms. Dunaski at [mdunaski@stanthony.k12.mn.us](mailto:mdunaski@stanthony.k12.mn.us) or by phone at 612-706-1126 prior to March 27<sup>th</sup>. Other training opportunities will likely be held in the near future. Cost is \$20, which includes the book.