SEPAC Meeting October 25, 2016 in LMMHS Library

PGF calls meeting to order at 6:02 pm. In attendance are E. Farris, R. Fuster, Jr., P. France, V. Holt, V. Lanfair, J. Drury, and K. Leese.

RF moved to approve minutes, VH seconded.

Parent’s Rights Workshop Discussion: EF reached out to other SPED directors. Berkshire Hills is interested in joint Parents Rights meeting. Group discussed using MassPAC to present basic rights workshop. PF to call MASPAC to check availability for Dec 5, 7, 12 or Nov 29th. Once date is set, PF will coordinate for refreshments and childcare, EF will work with other district to coordinate their attendance and VL will work on flyer/email/all call for promotion.

PF will email the group once date is confirmed. Backup plan EF will check and see what other districts have presented.

Parent Resource Packet Discussion: PF presented three IEP preparation packets found via google search. KL asked if Parent Advocate training group has any parent informational/resources. Council for Exceptional Children also mentioned as potential resource. Discussion of using an existing resource or a more personalized approach. Suggestion to include a list of terms and acronyms, difference in IEP/504/Accommodation plan. PF suggested that at the next meeting the committee review materials that are sent to parents/guardians as students come into the system. EF will provide at November meeting.

Next meeting is at Morris Elementary School on November 29th at 6:00 pm.

RF moves to adjourn meeting at 7:01 pm, VL second. Unanimous.