

**PVCICS SEPAC Meeting
July 13, 2016**

Present:
Diane Preston, SEPAC Chair
Various parents

Meeting called to order at 5:45 PM by Diane Preston.

Due to waxing or refinishing of the floors in the school building, the meeting was held on the PVCICS playground.

Public comments or questions

Attendees discussed “Restorative Justice,” which was mentioned by Kathy Wang at the June 8th SEPAC meeting as a possible high school classroom management approach that the school was interested in exploring. At the Board of Trustees meeting on July 7th, during a budget discussion, it was mentioned that an offer has been made to a candidate for the High School Administrator position who has an interest or background in Restorative Justice. The school has not decided to adopt this type of program but is just exploring it.

There were many questions and concerns about Restorative Justice and how such an approach affects students with disabilities. Specifically, there were concerns about maintaining student privacy with a peer review system. Some parents asked what problem has been identified that the exploration of new discipline methods is intended to address. The SEPAC will follow up with the school administration for more information about the exploration of such programs and how we might be involved in the research and conversation.

Year-end Survey Results

The survey remained open for responses, so results as of July 13th were not final. The wind on the playground made it difficult to share the printed preliminary results, so these initial results were not distributed. It was decided that the complete responses and all data would be made available at the next meeting.

Potential Objectives for 2016-2017

Attendees suggested goals for the coming school year could include instituting measurable metrics for school policies and initiatives that could affect Special Education students, collecting more data, and developing plans for evaluating the success of such programs.

Due to limited attendance, further discussion of goals and objectives was postponed for a future date. It was mentioned that at the next meeting, the SEPAC should request more information about an organization chart for 2016-17 and an update on hiring for new/open positions.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.