

Attendance: Kelly Brown, co-chair; Sam Hunter, co-chair; Pilar Goldstein-Dea, communications; Todd Snider, secretary; 1 caregiver

Meeting Notes:

- ❖ Review of Previous Month's General Action Items
  - Vacant board seats - Kelly will define roles (treasurer and outreach coordinator) to help with recruitment, and will reach out to potential treasurer
  - Finalized Winter/Spring presentations
    - 1/11: Sarah Chaplin, Riverside Industries, Next Steps Program (Pre-ETS)
    - 2/15: Sam Hunter, DDS
    - 3/19: Understanding the New IEP Forms
    - 4/23: Executive Function Presentation: Sarah Ward, M.S., CCC-SLP
      - Note: presentation will begin at 6pm / meeting was originally scheduled for 4/24
    - 5/16: Caregiver Roundtable
  - Transition Fair - hoping to collaborate with Northampton and Hampshire Regional, and provide virtual option
- ❖ Tech updates:
  - Pilar will be emailing some basic traffic data from our website and socials, then providing that info at future business meetings
  - Pilar will be setting up YouTube Channel, now that the Google Drive/Account has been re-established
  - Todd will rebuild Google Drive now that access appears to be reliable (we were continuously losing access)
  - Pilar will pin upcoming CAN-DO meetings so they remain at the top of the page
- ❖ ESY Survey - As of 11/9, there were 38 submissions. Kelly will be compiling the results by 12/1, providing those results to Antigoni the week of 12/3, then presenting them to the School Committee on 12/12.
- ❖ Community Engagement
  - Early discussion of a potential local community college panel (HCC, STCC, Asnuntuck), whether part of a support meeting next year, or a separate event
    - Pilar will reach out to Jillian Sullivan, Campus Disability Coordinator at Asnuntuck Community College
    - Sam will reach out to STCC & HCC
  - Neurodiversity Training - Todd and Kelly will discuss as a possible future event
  - MVS & EHS Neurodiversity Club - Todd will reach out to Carey Goldenberg to arrange a time for a meet-and-greet, to see how we can possibly help them and collaborate in the future
  - Easthampton Family Center - Kelly will reach out to Angela Zammarelli
  - Hampshire Regional SEPAC - Kelly will reach out again

- ❖ Failure to provide services (Speech + OT in ESY, PT in Sept-Oct)
  - Todd wrote Antigoni that the most recent emails that were intended to reach all affected families were *not* received by all families. Antigoni then sent a 11/2 letter that again was intended to reach all impacted families, but it appears it may *not* have reached everyone, again.
  - Kelly will address the gap in communication with Antigoni while discussing the ESY survey results in early December.
- ❖ Other updates:
  - Sam had a productive initial conversation with Jill regarding sensory overload at the elementary school's open house. Sam will have more updates in the future, but a quiet space should be available for future open houses
  - Kelly reports Bill is happy to have CAN-DO at the 2/8 Open House (just need to submit a Easthampton Facilities Use Form)
  - Kelly reached out to Jean Libby about making CAN-DO more visible on the EPSD website. Jean is now working on it.
  - Sam will email Elaine seeking permission to share a PDF of their 10/18 Basic Rights presentation to our website
- ❖ November Content - distribution of flyer went well, though we may try to simplify future flyers so as to reduce the cost of printing (i.e. ink). Provided we remind her, Jill will continue to add our dates to the MVS monthly memo that is emailed to all families, as well as the electronic board at the MVS entrance.
- ❖ Disability Month planning (to be continued at December's meeting)
  - Current plans: collaborate with library & Neurodiversity Club, school assembly