

Sagaponack Common School District
Shared Decision Making Team
Minutes for Meeting September 7, 2022

1. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Finello at 1:50 pm Wednesday, September 7, 2022.
2. The following members were in attendance:
 - a. Mr. Finello
 - b. Mr. Scammell
 - c. Mrs. Lombardo
 - d. Ms. Barton
 - e. Mrs. Fenwick
 - f. Mrs. Thofte
3. The Committee approved Mrs. Monique Thofte as a new parent member of the Committee.
4. Mr. Finello reviewed the District-Wide Safety Plan for the 2022-2023 school year. Discussion followed. The Committee approved the Plan. Mr. Finello, Mr. Scammell and Mrs. Lombardo indicated that the Building Level Safety Team met earlier and reviewed the Emergency Response Plan.
5. Ms. Barton advised the Committee that the Sagaponack Post Office, which is the current school evacuation site, is going to be relocated further back on their property for more space and better use as a community center. As a result, during the relocation of the building, the site will not be available to us as an evacuation site. She suggested that we consider a new location using the properties of neighbors within the area of the school.
6. Mr. Finello advised the Committee that we have a student in attendance with a peanut allergy. The school is now a “nut free” school. Parents and staff have been informed.
7. Ms. Barton recommended that community members be informed of a list of candies and treats be made available to community members before the students visit their homes on “Spooking Sagaponack Day” for Halloween. In this manner, they can prepare treats that are nut free.

8. Mr. Finello reviewed the school preparations made over the summer for the opening of school as well as the opening of school first day. This included two Superintendent's Conference Days comprised of presentations on individualized student learning, project based learning and multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS). Discussion followed.
9. The committee discussed the current enrollment and plans to include more out-of-district students.
10. Mr. Finello reviewed the COVID-19 plans for this year. He indicated that restrictions have been relaxed and students are not required to wear masks or social distance. He also, discussed protocols if and when a student or staff member contracts the virus. Essentially, those protocols from last year remain in place for this school year.
11. The Committee discussed the idea of parent and community members volunteering their time to come to school and share their experiences and, possibly present an activity with the students. Mrs. Thofte shared that parents may wish to come in and share or demonstrate some of their career/job talents and activities. Ms. Barton would like to share one of her books that may be upwards of one hundred years old. She will bring it in to let the teachers see if it would be appropriate to share with the children.
12. A list of field trips for this school year was distributed and discussed by the Committee. A final list will be approved by the Board of Trustees before distribution to parents and staff.
13. Mr. Finello acknowledged and thanked Mrs. Fenwick for creating and having the Sagaponack School Yearbook 2021-2022 distributed to our third graders in June.
14. With no further questions or items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.