

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

committee name	NEOEA Special Education Work Group
date and time	Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.
location	NEOEA Conference Center
attending	Hank Haynes, facilitator Nancy Kautzman Elizabeth Sebbio Jené Wilson, rec. sec. Lisa Lieben John Veverka Leslie Frank
absent (please note if excused)	Barb Armour, Thomas Borton, Barb Catalano, Matt Celaschi, Carol Correthers, and Beth Hoopes
needed before next meeting (from whom? by when?)	
action items for Board of Directors	Mileage approval?
next meeting is scheduled for	May 23, 2017

Committee page set up on OADDP website at: http://oaddp.ohea.us/neoea-special-education-work-group/

Introduction of those in attendance: three DD and four local education association members. Issues:

- Training for aides
- Funding: being allocated by administrators who do not make special ed a priority, even with an IEP
- More appropriate testing by alt. assess. and the full state test
- Technical support
- IEPs: time in the day, calendar, number, being able to include everything we think the kids need
- Admin. support
- Graduating kids at 18 for sake of district report card, rather than do what they need and maybe stay until 22

Name change to be more inclusive. We understand that "DD" means all people with disabilities, BUT need to do some rebranding. OEA help.

- Recommend working within OADDP because established organization with related focus.
- Recommend exploring re-branding of OADDP to be more relevant to K-12 Special Educators.
- Explore possible name change: OAPIDD Ohio Association of Professionals for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities.

Survey contract issues: what is needed for Special Ed staff.

Talk to OEA re: how to include people from outside OEA especially for the conference newsletter. Associate membership?

Going forward - talk to NEOEA and OEA:

- Rebranding
- Associate membership

Nancy will work on survey. We will all help edit it. Get help from LRCs to distribute it; \underline{also} include local presidents.

Minutes submitted by Jené Wilson.