



COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

committee name	NEOEA Special Education Work Group
date and time	July 27, 2017, 2:30 pm
location	The Bertram Inn, Paws Restaurant
attending	Hank Haynes, facilitator; Jene Wilson, rec sec; Kathy Abrahamson, Lisa Lieben, Josie Marchell, Shelby McGing, Nikki Nadasky, Jonetta Reed, Sandy Smith Fischer, Natasha Taylor, Ward Gravley Valenta, Christina West, Bob Matkowski - OEA Staff.
absent (please note if excused)	
needed before next meeting (from whom? by when?)	Need approval of conference room for morning on NEOEA day.
action items for Board of Directors	
next meeting is scheduled for . . .	??? - October 13, 2017, NEOEA Day
minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Write them in the space provided, if you want them typed up; attach additional page if needed. ❖ If a committee member will prepare minutes, leave this space blank and send minutes to the office. 	<p>Committee page set up on OADDP website at: http://oaddp.ohea.us/neoea-special-education-work-group/</p> <p>See attached minutes from Jene.</p> <p>Add:</p> <p>Handouts - OEA Legislative Policies and Resolutions addressing special education and students with disabilities.</p> <p>Work on New Business Item for fall District and OEA RAs K-12 Special Educators do not relate to “DD”, need to have Special Education in the name.</p> <p>Explore possible name change: OASEDDP - Ohio Association of Special Education and Developmental Disabilities Professionals</p>

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1. Meeting called to order at 2:45 pm by Hank Haynes, Facilitator
2. Introductions
3. Purpose of the meeting
 - OADDP membership declining with reduced DD presence
 - But needs persist
 - Special Ed staff in K-12 do not see themselves as working with kids with DD; they describe students as Cross Categorical, ED, Language Disorders, etc
 - Need to find more inclusive terminology that would appeal to SpEd in public schools
 - Discussion re: who we each serve, what we each think of as “DD” or not
 - Suggestions for making name more inclusive; public school people think the title needs to include “SpEd”
 - Ohio Association of DD and SpEd Professionals
 - Ohio Association of Disability professionals
4. Issues effecting Special Educators
 - Class Size
 - Caseload size for Intervention Specialists, SLPs, etc...
 - More training for Teachers and assistants, lunch aides, buss staff, etc.
 - Meeting state standards and extended standards
 - Implementing standards with students with special needs
 - Graduating students at age 18 to make the graduation numbers for the district look good, even if they have needs that could keep them to age 22
 - Suggestion to use terminology and explain abbreviations at the meetings that would be familiar to all of us, e.g., IEP, IS, SLP, OT, PT, etc...
5. How to market the concept to a wider group of Special Education staff
 - Bob re: discussion among OEA LRCs
 - Sessions at MegaConference, Summer Leadership Conference, OEA Leadership
 - Add sessions at OADDP Conference to address concerns
 - In conjunction with Daria to reach more members statewide