

Brunswick School Board
Student Services Committee Meeting
Minutes – May 4, 2018 9:45 a.m.
Office of Student Services Director

School Board Members in Attendance:

Sarah Singer, Elizabeth Sokoloff, Mandy Merrill, Joy Prescott

Brunswick School Department Representatives:

Barbara Gunn--Director of Student Services; Christine Schmidt, Rebecca McKarns, Joyce Foley—
Instructional Strategists

- Special Education Update
 - Local Entitlement Grant

The grant for next year was opened on May 1. It is due for substantial approval on June 15th. Districts will be informed regarding the amount of the grant in the next couple of weeks. It is anticipated to be slightly less than last year.
 - Corrective Action Plan

The CAP was closed out May 1, 2018. The district will continue to work toward best practice in the work they do in special education.
 - Anticipated Programming Changes for 2018-2019

The district is looking at ways to improve scheduling and programming in each building. Instructional Strategists are working with their building principal to explore options that would assist the provision of services to focus on student needs rather than the building schedule.
 - Other

A presentation for the board regarding special education as well as the REAL School was discussed. Sarah Hillery and Rebecca McKarns are completing their special education administrator internship with Barbara Gunn. This will be a project for their internship.
- Brunswick REAL School
 - Ten students are graduating this year. At this time twenty-one students are registered for next year. Thirteen of these students are tuition students from other districts.
 - Martin will be sending surrounding districts a survey to complete.
 - There are eleven applications for the Principal/Director position. Application close today. Interviews will be conducted the week of May 14 and site visits will occur the next week.
- Other
 - Sarah discussed concerns shared with her regarding handicap accessibility from the parking lot to the school. She will share these with Steve Ciembroniewicz and Scott Smith.

- Barbara and Rebecca met with staff at Region 10 to discuss special education and Section 504. A special education teacher from BHS will provide consultation and collaboration with Region 10 next year.
- It was decided that the committee will meet three times next year—September, February, and May. Other meetings can be added if necessary.

- Future Agenda Items—
 - The next meeting will be September 21, 2018 at 9:45.
 - Special Education Update
 - REAL School Update

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Gunn
Director of Student Services