



PSE Grassroots Minutes

January 6, 2020

- **Updates**

- These minutes are fluid and are accurate as of this moment in time. Things can change in an instant.
- All minutes and meeting agendas will be posted on the PSE Grassroots page on the PFT Website (<https://pft400.com/grassroots/special-education-grassroots-pse/>)

- **Review Grassroots Meetings**

- Meeting via Zoom (link will be emailed) on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 4:30 PM

- **Therapeutic Classroom Pilot Program**

- Program officers were in contact. Any follow up questions will be on the next agenda.

- **Plans for Second Semester**

- We know there will be a phase in approach, but the start date is unknown.
- Parents can change at the semester break from remote to in person.
- PSE students need to be counted in the AA/BB Cohorts because they are a part of that class, even if they are not with the general education class all day.
 - To be proactive, reach out to your program officer if you are being told PSE students will not transition to science and specials with their general education classmates due to space.
- There are some paras who could benefit from additional professional development with Microsoft Teams and/or Schoology. Ann is looking into ways to make this happen.

- **Therapeutic Notes**

- Megan will send Ann a copy of the therapeutic notes to investigate their purpose.

- **Revisit: Evaluations**

- Most of the T to K evaluations are completed, moving forward with finishing initial evaluations from the spring. Will be scheduling clinic appointments to complete the evaluations in person. Ann is hopeful this process will be completed by the end of January. Then, they will

move to re-evaluations that needed a face to face meeting to complete.

- Re-Evaluations that are not for Intellectual Disability are still being waived if it is appropriate. This needs to happen in writing.
 - If a re-evaluation does not require new data, it can move forward.
 - If a re-evaluation does require new data, a PTR can be signed, and it will be in the next bucket of evaluations to be completed as mentioned above.
- Progress reports are still best to send home through email with the virtual setting. For notes needing to go home in hard copy, please email them to Felisa Preston (fpreston1@pghschools.org) with the family's name and address.
- IEP writer is working on making electronic signatures for all documents. For now, NOREP's can be sent to Felisa Preston (fpreston1@pghschools.org) with the family's name and address. Please send her the return address you want on the return address envelope.
- **Revisit: Equity With IEP Writing**
 - Ann is going to investigate this item.
- **PASA Training**
 - There was a discussion around the new PASA training taking 5-6 hours to complete. Ann is investigating.
- **Any Questions?**
 - Please send to Brittany in advance, so Mindy and Ann have time to review and come with answers for us.

Looking ahead to February:

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 3rd at 4:30PM.

Send any questions/comments/concerns to Brittany McCann at brittanyfmccann@yahoo.com or 412-760-9644

Month	Date	Location
February	2-3-21	Zoom*
March	3-3-21	Zoom*
April	4-7-21	Zoom*
May	5-5-21	Zoom*

***Zoom meetings until it is deemed safe for in person meetings.**