



East Providence Local Advisory Committee For Special Education Meeting Agenda – Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 6pm

- I. **Welcome New Parents – Logan Moniz, Chairperson and Tori Jessop-Crowley, Secretary**
- II. **Roll Call / Introductions** – visitor attendance is recorded via the sign-in sheet
Board Members, Parents, Students, School Administration, Faculty/Staff, Community Members, Presenters (as applicable)
- III. **Tell us something good - Public recognition**
- IV. **Workshop Presentation: Know Your Rights: Navigating IDEA and 504 Plans**
Presented by: Attorney at Brennan Scungio & Kresge LLP & Former Special Education Teacher
Workshop Overview: Join us for an informative workshop designed to empower parents and caregivers with essential knowledge about their rights under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504. This is a valuable opportunity to ask questions, gain clarity on the legal aspects of special education, and learn how to advocate for your child's needs.

Attorney Chris Morello will provide expert guidance on:
 - Understanding parental rights in special education
 - Strategies to effectively navigate the special education system
 - How to initiate a RIDE Facilitated IEP Meeting
 - Common challenges families face when advocating for appropriate services
- V. **Correspondence Items**
- VI. **Committee Reports:**
 - **Principal Reports**
 - **Recognition Committee Report** – Paloma Fana Chairperson
 - Need Committee Members
 - **Pupil Personnel**- Leslie Anderson
 - Audit Committee Update
 - **School Committee Liaison**- Jessica Beauchaine
 - School Committee Update, Next Meeting Date and Location
- VII. **Old Business:**
 - Liaison for each school from the committee
 - PTO/PTA - Develop partnerships to offer disability-friendly activities and/or accommodations
- VIII. **Workshop Schedule**
 - March – Trauma Informed Care and De-Escalation
- IX. **Parent Concerns/Public Comments**
- X. **Adjourn: board members are available to stay after for parent conversations**