

**WIN-PAC Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 4, 2018**  
**10am-11:00am**

**Summary:** Members of Winchester Special Education Parent Advisory Council, WIN-PAC, met on April 4, 2018 to prepare final details for the Special Educator Appreciation event to be held on May 8, 2018.

**WIN-PAC Attendees:** Stacey Irizarry, Chair  
Zeina Marchant, Events Chair  
Michelle Bergstrom, representing Winchester School Committee  
Kathy Matrundola, Webmaster, Treasurer

**Other attendees:** Pamela Cort

**Discussion Topics:**

1. Treasury report
2. Begin preparations for a Special Educator Appreciation event to be held on May 8, 2018 at the Winchester High School. This includes soliciting help and/or donations from families who have children in the Winchester Special Education program. Set up a meeting for volunteers to share ideas.
3. Discuss results of a survey designed to help determine the best time and day to hold our annual Basic Rights Workshop. Date established is May 17, 2018.
4. Discuss possible trends emerging in special education such as:
  1. Consideration for students who are medically fragile
  2. Psychiatric, social and emotional needs at younger levels with a social emotional diagnosis
  3. Students who may exhibit significant risk behaviors and how to accommodate these needs
5. IMT, identify a school resource officer
6. Some concerning trends
  1. Stay put services
  2. Findings for ineligibility
7. Further discussion on factors required to qualify for special education services which include:
  1. Is there a disability
  2. What is the specialized instruction

This meeting adjourned at 11:00am