

Harford County
Special Education Citizen/Community Advisory Committee
(SECAC)

General Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2025
6-7 pm, Zoom

Attendance (33)

Stacy Kontrabecki, Carey Reise, Colleen Sasdelli, Shanika Campbell, Courtney Litzinger, Karen Kellton, Megan Fitzgerald, Kristy Gizinski, Jodi Wayne, Tracy Masur, Andrew Syester, Carie Sadowski, Cherish Marshall, Suzanne Oshinsky, Robin Meyer, Pauline Timmons, Melissa Romano, Laci Brooks, Kimberly Hetter, Jordan Haslacker, Jodi Wayne, Jessia Huba, Jeff Hoffman, Jeanne Erdley, Erik Williams, Kim Manzo, Colleen Sasdelli, Sarah Walter, Stephanie Swisher, Tabitha Rolfson, Martha Straus, Katie York

The chair called the meeting to order at 6pm.

- **Welcome & Announcements**

Chair welcomed all to meeting and introduced presenter Guy Stephens.

- **Speaker/Presenter(s)**

“Seclusion and Restraint: Understanding the Impacts and Exploring the Alternatives” by Guy Stephens

- Stephens is a passionate advocate and a nationally recognized expert on restraint and seclusion. In 2019, Guy founded the Alliance Against Seclusion and Restraint (AASR).
- AASR believes in a trauma informed, neuroscience-aligned, neurodiversity-affirming, relationship-driven, and collaborative approach
- Guy explained difference between seclusion and restraint and their impact

- Guy also provided suggestions for reducing and eliminating the use of seclusion and restraint
- Recording of meeting is available by request

The meeting was adjourned by the chair at 7:27 pm.

Reminders

Next SECAC Meeting: January 15, 2026 on Zoom

Next HCPS Board of Education Meeting: 6pm on December 15, 2025, In Person (Bel Air) & online

Schedule, Live Stream, and Archive: www.hcps.org/boe/MeetingSchedule

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