

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

5708 Cornerstone Drive, Lansing, Michigan

November 4, 2015, 10:00 a.m.

Participation

Delegates Present: Heather Bird, Barbara Brish, Jim Corr, Paulette Duggins, Latika Fenderson, Sheryl Jo, Maggie Kolk, Kimberly Love, Craig McCalla, Mark McKulsky, Nicole Miller, Wendy Minor, Denyeal Nesovski, Caryn Pack Ivey, Sara Park, John Patterson, Kira Rockman, Any Sanderson, Steven Stoner, Lori Torres, Jennifer Trackwell, Kim Witt, William Young

Alternates Present: Terri Henrizi for Jane Shank

Ex-Officio Present: Teri Chapman, LaDean George for Heather Gay

MDE Staff Present: Oren Christmas, Meredith Hines, Jayme Krause, Deb Maurer, Julie Trevino, Joanne Winkelman

Guests Present: Lois Lofton-Doniver, Michelle Peckham, Holly Sasso, Ronna Steel

Facilitator: Fran Loose

Minutes

I. Call to Order

Maggie Kolk, Acting Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

II. Roll Call

The SEAC Secretary, Meredith Hines, read the roll call. A quorum was present.

Introduction of Guests

Guests were introduced.

III. Approval of Proposed Agenda

Jennifer Trackwell moved, seconded by Mark McKulsky that the Special Education Advisory Committee approve the November 4 agenda as amended. The vote was taken on the motion. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of October 7 Meeting Minutes

Barbara Brish moved, seconded by Mark McKulsky, that the Special Education Advisory Committee approve the October 7 minutes. The vote was taken on the motion. Motion carried.

V. Public Comment

None presented.

VI. Acting Chairperson's Report

- A. The Acting Chairperson reviewed the agenda focus points.
 - SSP6
 - Native Americans w/IEPS
 - 2016 Implementation of new SAT
- B. Report from the Executive Committee Meeting
 - 1. Agenda sequence change – before lunch
 - 2. Survey/Evaluation: October, December and Beyond
 - 3. Membership Vacancies
 - a. Organizations: MASSP & MAISA
 - b. Ex officio: EPI, Community Health
 - c. Note: In addition, a new Executive Committee Member will be selected from among current members to fill the vacancy created by Jason Feig's departure.
 - d. Alternate vacancies – list these
 - 4. Barb Brish will attend SBE meetings in December, February, April and Junen
 - 5. Change in October 2016 meeting date to October 6, 2016
 - 6. Reminder re: new norms: Our professional community commits to:
 - a. Listening for understanding
 - b. Asking questions to learn
 - c. Being present and engaged at the meeting
 - d. Respecting all views and perspectives
- C. Due Process Hearing Reports Received
 - 1. Four (4) Due Process complaints were filed.
- D. Status of Annual Report
 - 1. 2014-2015 Report will be received by SBE on November 10

2. Submitted Public Comment on Michigan Becoming a Top 10 Education State in 10 Years
- E. Meeting Survey Options
1. Three Options were discussed. Option 2 was recommended by the Executive Committee. SEAC members concurred with the recommendation.
- F. October 6, 2016 (1st Thursday) because of Count Day

VII. Office of Special Education Report

- A. NASDSE Meeting in Baltimore in October
- B. National Indian Education Conference
- C. Acknowledgement Ryan Whiston's death, son of State Supt. Brian Whiston
- D. Gov's Task Force on Special Education members
200,000 children w/autism have an IEP
Provide Link to Gov. Caley's report.

Key findings:

- Develop inclusive and transparent rulemaking process
 - Improve access to, and scope and quality of services
 - End practices of seclusion and restraint – new definition (Separation)
 - Create a better dispute resolution process
 - Support parents more with resources and options
- E. MSD
- Reimagining the MSD
 - Visualize and ideal model of what ought to be to deliver extraordinary educational experiences that leads to successful college-ready student outcomes.
 - Structured Dialogical Design
2 days of defining the vision
2 days of identifying barrier/challenges
2 days action plan development
- F. Tribal Liaison for MDE
- MI Tribal Education Directors meet monthly
 - 13,487 Native Am children. 2384 are students with disabilities
- G. New Staff: Laurie McCann, Financial Analyst, Joanne Winkelman, Education Consultant Manager, PA unit
- H. Assistant Director – 2nd posting

Nominations for EC: Karen Pack Ivey, to fill out Jason's term on the Executive Committee. Heather Bird, Nicole Miller. CEN will send out electronic voting.

CEC Wendy Minor requested nominations for student honor or awards.
Conference call for presentations. Materials are on the registration table.

VIII. Information Item

- A. State Performance Plan – Indicator 6 – Oren Christmas/Julie Trevino
Jayme Krause
- B. PPT was handed out at the meeting
- C. Results Indicator. Need to set targets.
- D. Ages 3-5 ...where are these students? If district reports student who is
in private school, they are counted in the data.
- E. Unduplicated count of all children with disabilities.
- F. 50% of children without disabilities
- G. 50% with disabilities, children w/IEP

IX. MDE Office Public and Governmental Affairs – Legislative Liaison Report

No report

X. Small Group Work

- A. Action Item: SATs with focused questions to guide the discussion**
- B. Information Item: SEAC learning and dialogue about Indicator 6
targets for December Action
- C. Information Item: SEAC learning and dialogue about challenges
Native American students with IEPs experience and consideration of
future public comment to SBE

XI. SEAC Committee/Work Group Reports and Action Items

- A. Bylaws – half way through, hope to have a doc ready in Dec.
- B. SAT work group vote – issues to go to MDE

Problem s/misinformation at the school level. Communication

Resource - Spotlight

Clarification on accommodations

MASSP involvement.

Online sample testing

Vote taken to send issues to MDE.

C. Indicator 6

Need more information for 6A. For 6B, did make recommendations.

Increase 6A. Great , how does that affect 6B?

2016- recommendation 41.7

2017, 41.2,

2018 40.7

D. Native American Students

No report, but had a lot of good conversation. Talked about issues.

Trust.

XII. Ex-Officio Member Reports

A. Michigan Rehabilitation Services – Cynthia Wright – No report

B. DOC – LaDean George. Main focus is transitioning prisoners to return community and to employment. Developing a Transition Plan for special education students.

XIII. Member Questions/Comments/Announcements

A. Perspectives of Members-at-Large and Organization/Agency representatives

Calley Tour in Livingston County.

B. Topics for Future Committee of the Whole or Sub-Committee or Executive Committee Consideration

C. Nominees for EC gave their background information

XIV. December Agenda Forecast – change in location

Michigan Association of Realtors, 4039 Legacy Parkway, Lansing, MI
Send email on what hotel.

XV. Process Check

A. State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECH)

B. On-Line Evaluation

XVI. Adjourn

Brish motioned, seconded by Steve Stoner that the meeting be adjourned. The vote was taken. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at

2:30 p.m.

SB360 - Able Act. PA 160 Allows people to set up saving accounts and p.m. keep their benefits. Michigan created own system. Money will not be counted as assets. Can be used for health care, etc. Helps support people to have employment and not lose their benefits.

Michiganlegislature.org

Bad weather – will send email by 4:30 p.m. the day before the meeting. Will have a conference call line available if the meeting is being held for those who can't travel.