

SD ADVISORY PANEL ON CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES MINUTES



Date: April 2, 2020

Time: 9:30 AM-1:00 PM

Location: Virtual ZOOM Meeting

Recording located at <https://boardsandcommissions.sd.gov/Meetings.aspx?BoardID=16>

Panel Members Present

Linda Turner, Donna Johnson, Kaitlyn Ryan, Marie Ivers, Erin Schons, Laura Johnson-Frame, Brad Otten, Peggy Waltner, Heather Trefz, Larry Ayres, Kim Wadsworth

Panel Members Absent

Jennifer Carda, Stephanie Caron, Kristi Eisenbraun, Steve Helgeland, Larry Putthoff, Bernie Grimme, Stacy Nemece

Call to order and Introductions:

Chairperson Schons called the meeting to order at 9:34am.

Approval of the Agenda:

- Brad Otten moved to approve the agenda and Marie Ivers seconded
- Motion Carried

Approval of January meeting minutes:

- Kaitlyn Ryan moved to approve the minutes and Larry Ayres seconded
- Motion carried

Public Comment:

- None

ACES Presentation by Tiffanie Petro, University of South Dakota (USD):

- Tiffanie discussed the mental health status for children in South Dakota. The information included:
 - Insight on what Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) is and how it is used throughout the state of South Dakota to address children's mental health.
 - Resources for prevention of accumulation of ACEs.
- See presentation handouts and recording for more information.

DOE Updates:

- IDEA Budget
 - 30-day public comment currently happening
 - Annual presentation of how money is budgeted for special education activities.
 - Asked for panel recommendations and none were provided.
 - See presentation handouts or recording for more information.
- Shared the Office of Special Educations proposed changes to the State Performance Plan.
 - Currently taking public comment and Special Education Programs plans to submit comments by April 20th, 2020.
 - See presentation handouts or recording for more information.
- Wendy informed panel that Tyler Munson had resigned, and Katie Gran will be replacing Bernie Grimme from Vocational Rehabilitation.
 - Looking for an individual or parent of a child with a disability to fill the panel spot.
 - Email Wendy.Trujillo@state.sd.us with recommendations.
- Discussed legislative updates:
 - Linda discussed which bills had been passed that directly affected Special Education Programs throughout the state.
 - See presentation handouts or recording for more information.
- Discussion on COVID-19 and how that is directly affecting Special Education programs throughout the state and the State office itself.
 - Joint statement issued for SD Parent Connections, Disability Rights of South Dakota, and Department of Education.

Next Meeting:

- June 11th, 2020 located at Department of Education (DOE), MacKay Bldg located at 800 Governors Blvd. in Pierre, SD 57501
 - Wendy proposed that either the day before or the day after there would be an extra half day to work on the Priority Area: Mental Health for the whole child and emotional health goal setting, barring any cancellation due to the Governor's direction or orders.
 - The panel discussed to have the extra half day being on Wednesday, June 10th, if meeting in person.

- Agenda items:
 - Priority Area: Mental Health for the whole child and emotional health goal setting

Take away noted from this meeting:

- Linda gave information about the Federal Application and at this time, the panel has no recommendations.
- Wendy anticipates using the information provided by Tiffanie on ACEs for the panel's action plan.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:17 PM:

- Erin Schons motioned to adjourn, and Larry Ayres seconded.
- Motion Carried