

SD ADVISORY PANEL ON CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES MINUTES



Date: June 15, 2022

Time: 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Location: Library Commons in the MacKay Building

Board Members Present

Larry Ayres, LeAnne Bawek, Katie Gran, Steve Helgeland, Stacy Meyer, Meaghan Neuberger, Darcy Peterson, Brian Polstra, Erin Schons, Erik Anderson

Board Members Absent

Angie Brown, Eric Grover, Dr. Donna Johnson, Michelle Martin, Dawn Smith, Kim Wadsworth, Elizabeth Anderson, Jennifer Carda, Tami Fite, Alex Anderson-Kahl

Call to order:

Chairperson Erin Schoons called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

Approval of the Agenda:

- Katie Gran moved to approve the agenda and Larry Ayers seconded
- Motion Carried

Approval of January meeting minutes:

- Stacy Meyer moved to approve the minutes and Katie Gran seconded
- Motion carried

Public Comment:

- None

Agenda Item:

- Linda Turner thanked all panel members for their service. The following members have resigned their panel position: Alex Anderson-Kahl, Kaitlin Ryan, Jennifer Carda and Tami Fite. Recommendations for new appointments have been sent to the

Governor's office; New members will attend the September orientation and meeting.

Agenda Item:

- Linda reviewed the DOE updates
 - Extraordinary Cost Fund Board met in May. Linda explained the set of dollar amounts that we receive, and how the districts can apply for the available funds.
 - This year we had 16 districts apply and all were approved.
 - The recommendation will go to the Secretary of Education for approval.
 - Total funding request in the amount of \$2,725,825. We were able to revert \$1.3 million so that will leave us with 5.3 million for next year.
 - ARP ESSR funds are federally granted dollars for the pandemic. Our state received \$382,000. Linda reviewed the breakdown of how those funds are being used.
 - Some key things that we are working on in the state level are improving the data systems, improving the certification system and the farms to school nutrition program.
 - State Public Reporting have released the districts performance on the State Performance Report they are posted and available of the State Performance Webpage. A report will be available for the September meeting; a press release will go out before that;

Agenda Item:

- Linda gave an update on how the process of the Administrative Rule changes are going.

Agenda Item:

- Moved Disproportionality up on the agenda. Melissa Flor gave a presentation on Indicator 9 and Indicator 10 and Significant Disproportionality.
- Stakeholder input needed to determine if we should keep the same methodology (calculation), or update 9 and 10 to use the same calculation as disproportionality
- Indicator 9 includes all 14 disability categories to determine if we are over identifying any race/ethnic group
- Indicator 10 looks at specific disability categories
- Significant Disproportionality looks at over identification, but is broader in its scope
 - Also look at restrictive settings, and discipline
 - Must take 15% of federal IDEA \$ to address the areas they are over identifying
- In the past SD has used the same calculation for 9 and 10 and Significant Disproportionality
 - 20/20 3.0 Risk Ratio
- Sig. Dis changed to 10/30 3.0

- If we keep 9 and 10 with their current calculation, we aren't seeing any identified under 9, we will have 5 under Significant Disproportionality new calculation
- Panel recommended aligning the methodology for Indicators 9 and 10 with Significant Disproportionality.

Agenda Item:

- Tim Neyhart and Cole Uecker from Disability Rights of South Dakota gave a presentation on what they do to help individuals with disabilities.
- Discussion from panel as to the undergraduate course preparation within South Dakota universities for teachers regarding students with disabilities and behaviors.

Agenda Item:

- Melissa Bothun asked the panel if there were anything in the current by-laws which needed to be updated. If the panel is wanting to change anything in the by-laws it will be put on the September agenda. If there were no changes then we will keep the by-laws the same. If there are any changes panel members are wanting to make, they do need to be done in writing and sent to Erin.

Agenda Item:

- Linda reviewed the Executive Order and how it effects the panel's priority work.

Take away noted from this meeting:

- Made recommendations for aligning Indicator 9 and Indicator 10 with Significant Disproportionality.
- Recommendation to discuss the addition to the by-law of the option of virtual attendance of panel meetings. This recommendation will be sent to the Chairperson and added to the September meeting agenda
- Priority are pausing at this time for the Department of Education to determine policies regarding web content in alignment with the Executive Order.
- Made suggestions to Disability Rights of South Dakota with their priority areas and goals.

Next Meeting:

- September meeting will be held on September 14th from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm in the Library Commons in Pierre. New panel member orientation will be held on September 13th from 1-5pm in the MacKay building conference room 1.
- The January meeting will be held on the 5th from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm in the Library Commons.
- The April meeting will be held on the 6th from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm in the Library Commons.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:32 am:

- Larry Ayres motioned to adjourn, and Brian Poelstra seconded
- Motion Carried