

# SD ADVISORY PANEL ON CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES MINUTES



**Date:** June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Time:** 9:00-12:00 PM

**Location:** Virtual ZOOM Meeting

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

## **Board Members Present**

Linda Turner, Donna Johnson, Kaitlyn Ryan, Brad Otten, Peggy Waltner, Larry Ayres, Kim Wadsworth, Marie Ivers, Larry Puthoff, Katie Gran, Angie Brown, Steve Helgeland, Marie Ivers, Dawn Smith, Stacy Nemece, Erin Schons, Kim Wadsworth, Peggy Waltner, Elizabeth Welfl, Wendy Trujillo

## **Board Members Absent**

Jennifer Carda, Stephanie Caron, Heather Trefz

## **Call to order:**

- Chair Erin Schons called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

## **Approval of the Agenda:**

- Katie Gran moved to approve the agenda and Marie Ivers seconded
- Motion Carried

## **Approval of April meeting minutes:**

- Angie Brown moved to approve the minutes and Brad Otten seconded
- Motion carried

## **Public Comment:**

- None

## **Statewide Family Engagement Presentation by Morgan VonHaden:**

- Went through the different features the <https://sdsfec.org/> website offers
  - Website serves as a way for families to find information from birth to careers.
    - 3 Sections (B-5, K-12, and College + Career)
    - Daily Digest and Summer Digest are free resources available to anyone. The Digests cover tips and programs available for families and educators each month.

- School 101 Quick Guide provides terminology/explanations for families.

## **DOE Title Programs: Toolkit for Family Engagement by Dawn Smith, DOE:**

- Explained the toolkit located at <https://doe.sd.gov/title/toolkit/>
  - Toolkit contains resources split into 5 sections (tabs).
    - Sections include: Getting Started, Physical Environment, School-Wide Practices, Communication, Learning Practices (Bringing it Home).
  - Offering tools for educators to engage families.

## **Recognition of panel members:**

- Special Education Programs would like to recognize the departing panel members for their service to the panel:
  - Marie Ivers (3 terms for a total of 9 years)
  - Stephanie Caron (1 year)
  - Larry Puthoff (2 years)
  - Heather Trefz (2 years)
  - Peggy Waltner (2 years)

Thank you for your time and dedication to SDAPCD! It has been a pleasure working with all of you!

## **DOE Updates:**

### **• ECF Applications**

- The Extraordinary Cost Fund board met on May 12th, 2021. This board reviews applications from school districts for extraordinary costs due to high cost students, high cost programs or supplemental costs. They reviewed and approved 16 requests from across the state.
- Types of requests:
  - High costs student; high costs program; supplemental.

### **• ARP Funding**

- The 3<sup>rd</sup> round of stimulus funding will be going to school districts for general funding.
- The main goal is to plan and purchase equipment/things that will be useful long-term.
- Districts should be able to start applying soon.
- Public comments are much appreciated and very helpful with this process.

### **• SPP Public Reports**

- They were posted on the SD DOE website at <https://doe.sd.gov/sped/SPP.aspx> on June 1st.
- They showcase the state and district level target results and whether they were met or not.

## **Priority Area: Improve Communication & Resource Gap**

- Be sure to review/make changes to 'SDAPCD Priority Work' google sheet.
  - Shows a list of resources that may be included in the website.
- Website will be found through a link on SDDOE website.
  - Will be easily accessible from a drop-down menu.
  - SDDOE social media pages will share the link for families to access as well.
- BrightByText is a new app that would be able to reach families by age group.
  - Would be able to send core messages to specific families.
  - South Dakota PBS is considering partnering with BrightByText.

### **Next Meeting:**

- Schedule September/October Meeting: 2 days orientation & panel meeting
  - September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> work for the majority of the panel. Wendy Trujillo will discuss with TAESE and will be sending out more information to plan the next meetings.
- Annual Election of Officers
- Dispute Resolution Report
- Annual Report
- Priority Setting
- Review/Sign Code of Conduct
- Service Rates

### **Take away(s) noted from this meeting:**

- Recognized outstanding members.
- Please, be sure to make edits to the resource sheet. Start on the website will begin soon.

### **Meeting Adjourned at 10:14**

- Marie Ivers motioned to adjourn, and Kim Wadsworth seconded.
- Motion Carried

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