



KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Advisory Council for Exceptional Children

SUMMARY

MEETING DATE:11/19/2018

ATTENDANCE: Anita Dowd, Mary Fehrenbach (interpreter), Natalie Malone (interpreter), Julie Rubenmeyer, William Greer, Eric Umstead, Amber Barnes, Melissa Knight, Amy Folker, Leisa Hutchison, Danny Hughes, Kimberly Chevalier, Ravonne Sims, Gretta Hylton, Joe McCowan, Barry Lee, Brent Hutchinson, Anna Light, Jessicas Duenas, Sylvia Kuster (Proxy for Carey Cockerell), Brandi Heitzelberger

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tricia Gibbons, Libby Suttles, Christopher Johnson

SUMMARY:

Agenda Item: Open Forum

Presenter:

Summary of Discussion: There were no participants for the open forum. It was opened at 1:10 pm and closed at 1:30 pm.

Action Taken: N/A

Follow-up Required: N/A

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SUMMARY:

Agenda Item: Roll Call of Members, Approval Of Minutes, Approval of Bylaws and Annual Report

Presenter: Barry Lee

Summary of Discussion: Kim Chevalier motioned to approve the minutes, Brent Hutchinson seconded.

Changes to the by-laws: September meeting discussed changes. There were changes to be made to back page and date. Timeline for the annual report – will be approved at November meeting and then sent out after. Motion to approve by Bill Greer, seconded by Leisa Hutchison.

Annual report was presented in September and it reflected the five big areas of the council. It will be hard to hit each of these 5 every year. Last year was a foundation year for us and we just got orientated and got the bylaws done. A correction was need to a name in the report. Motion to approve by Kim Chevalier and seconded by Melissa Knight.

Action Taken: Discussed changes

Follow-up Required: Make changes to bylaws and annual report.

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Agenda Item: Presenter: Shauna Crane

Summary of Discussion: Gave overview of what we did last year. Discussed the role of TAESE. Keep the main thing the main thing, which is the children with disabilities. Keep in mind we are representing the entire stakeholder group. Discussed federal law CFR 300.167. Our purpose is to provide policy guidance. Talked about ways to get more information such as professional organizations, conferences, committees, other individuals, workplace and boards. Our role is not to advocate but provide policy guidance.

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SUMMARY: Priority Setting

Agenda Item: Presenter: Shauna Crane

Summary of Discussion: What do we feel are the biggest 3 priorities for the group for the next year? What are the unmet needs?

Action Taken: Each council member spoke as to what they believed was most important. The top 3 were administration training, transition/life skills and getting information to Corrections.

Follow-up Required: We will work on these 3 things next year starting with Corrections in February.

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SUMMARY: SPP Targets

Agenda Item: Presenter: Sylvia Starkey and Carol Ann Morrison

Summary of Discussion: Discussed indicators for suspension and expulsion 4a. Target for FY17 was 1.14% with a minimum cell size of 2, right now it's 1 and it is being proposed to take it to 2 due to catching systemic violations.

Action Taken: We each voted on changing the cell size and it was voted to change it to 2.

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SUMMARY: KDE Strategic Planning

Agenda Item: Presenter: Amanda Waldroup

Summary of Discussion: Went over the SSIP Phase III, Year 2. Discussed indicator 17 and FFYs 2013, 2014 and 2015-2018. She discussed the data from Phase I, Transformation Zones and using the data to improve student outcomes. She went over the Novice reductions and increases in Proficiency. Discussed the SSIP Targets for 8th Grade math.

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SUMMARY: Due Process Hearing Review

Agenda Item: Presenter: Sylvia Starkey

Summary of Discussion: Gave overview of 2 hearings. The first was an issue with the Exceptional Children's Appeal Board that had to do with a student in the least restrictive environment at an alternative school. It also had to do with a therapist coming to the school for services. The ruling was that FAPE was upheld.

The second case was one involving a another issue taken to the ECAB and had to do with making sure things were done that were originally set forth. Parents stated these things were not done. It also involved location vs. placement. The outcome was that the district could provide FAPE once changes were made to the child's IEP.

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SUMMARY: KDE Update

Agenda Item: Presenter: Gretta Hylton

Summary of Discussion: Discussed more about the SPP/APR and that it is of great significance that Kentucky received a MEETS ranking. Only 23 entities out of 60 receive a MEETS ranking. Discussed the Reorganization of KDE. Discussed suggestions for moving forward that were raised in the discussion yesterday. These are a good start.

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SUMMARY: COOP Update

Agenda Item: Presenter Melissa Reynolds

Summary of Discussion: Discussed the cooperative task groups and updates. Discussed the Regional Systemic Improvement Plan and data from Madison County. Covered Mental Health Support and Peer Support Network. Discussed procedural safeguards. Went over DOSE support.

Action Taken: N/A

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SUMMARY: 2019 Meeting Schedule

Agenda Item: Presenter Barry Lee

Summary of Discussion: February 2019 meeting will be held at the 300 Building in Frankfort. Amber Barnes is working on a place for the public forum which might be Frankfort High School or the Public Library. Corrections issues will be discussed at this meeting. The June meeting will be June 20-21 at Natural Bridge and will try to do a later start time. The Administrative leadership issues will be discussed at this meeting. The September meeting will be held at Kentucky Dam Village on September 5-6 and transition needs and communication will be discussed. The November meeting will be the 17-19 in Louisville.

Action Taken: Meeting dates and locations set

Follow-up Required: n/a