

Washington State Special Education Advisory Council

September 18, 2014

Members Present: Andres Aguirre, Megan Bale, Shari Cotes, Lou Oma Durand, Carrie Fannin, Cheryl Fernandez, Heather Hebdon, Ron Hoxie, Sherry Krainick, Rebecca Lockhart, Marcia Mongrain, Anne Shureen, and Ann Waybright.

Excused Absences: Doug Gill, Anne Golden, and Nancy Pack.

Presenters: Molly Baasch and Christopher Hanczrik,

OSPI Staff: Kim Bahrenburg and Gil Mendoza.

Note Taker: Kim Bahrenburg.

Topic	Discussion	Action	Who/When	Completed
Called to Order	Ann Waybright, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.			
Review of May Meeting Minutes	<p>Corrections to minutes are as follows: add an “e” to the end of Anne Shureen’s name, change Monica to Marcia, and update the footer of the minutes.</p> <p>There was discussion about the Department of Early Learning’s (DEL) presentation on May 16. Gil Mendoza’s recommendation was that DEL be invited back to a future SEAC meeting for a question and answer exchange.</p> <p>The council members agreed to this being added to the minutes.</p>	Corrections will be made to the minutes as indicated and then posted to the Special Education Advisory Council Web page.	Kim Bahrenburg by October 10, 2014	10/1/14

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Review of May Meeting Minutes <i>(continued)</i>	Meeting minutes were accepted as written with the requested corrections and one addition. 1 st motion: Rebecca Lockhart 2 nd motion: Heather Hebdon			
September Agenda Discussion:	Agenda was reviewed.			
Council Announcements	Anne Golden has resigned her position. An election will be held on September 19 (second day of the council meeting) to elect someone to take her spot on the executive committee for the next two meetings. A thank you card was circulated for Anne.	A framed certificate of appreciation will be signed by Doug Gill and Randy Dorn to thank Anne for her many years of service. It will be mailed along with the circulated card to Anne's home.		9/30/14
Smarter Balance Testing <i>Christopher Hanczrik</i>	The Smarter Balanced assessments are being jointly developed by 22 states and territories. The new assessments are needed due to the change in the state's learning standards. The new assessment will align with the Common Core State Standards. The assessment will focus on two areas: English/Language Arts and Mathematics. See attachment 1 for the Smarter Balanced PowerPoint.			
Implications of loss of Elementary and Secondary Act (ESEA) Waiver <i>Gil Mendoza</i>	Due to the loss of the ESEA waiver, we are moving back to the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in Washington State. The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) management has been reorganized. Alan Burke left the agency and			

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<p>Implications of loss of Elementary and Secondary Act (ESEA) Waiver <i>(continued)</i> <i>Gil Mendoza</i></p>	<p>Gil Mendoza has been appointed the new Deputy Superintendent for K–12 Education. Doug Gill has been promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Special Education. Gayle Pauley has accepted the appointment of Assistant Superintendent of Special Programs and Federal Accountability.</p> <p>See attachment 2 for the AYP handout.</p>			
<p>Working Lunch: Hot Topics <i>All Members</i></p>	<p>Heather Hebdon: Attended the Governor’s Office of Educational Ombuds task force meeting as a representative from PAVE.</p> <p>Heather is also curious how the move back to AYP will impact our special education population.</p> <p>Sherry Krainick: Questioned how the OEO task force relates to SEAC.</p> <p>Andres: The reauthorization of the Rehab Workforce Initiative has been completed and the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) will remain under the umbrella of education. Independent Living services will now be under Health and Human Services. DVR’s main focus is on the vocation rehabilitation and career preparedness of young adults.</p> <p>Lou Oma: Her responsibility at DVR is services for people with sight issues from birth to death.</p>			

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<p>Working Lunch: Hot Topics (continued) <i>All Members</i></p>	<p>Marcia Mongrain: Expressed some frustration with the Development Disabilities Administration and getting services for the population that she serves.</p> <p>Sherry: Asked a question about Running Start. She was told that special education services had to be revoked in order to take part in this program? This is not true.</p> <p>Ann Waybright: How do we get mental health services to our students in a better way?</p>			
<p>Core Curriculum and Special Education <i>Molly Baasch, WEA</i></p>	<p>Molly presented a PowerPoint on the Common Core Essential Elements in relationship to Special Education. The Common Core State Standards are now being renamed to the “College and Career Readiness State Standards”. OSPI, Educational Service Districts (ESDs) and the Washington Education Association (WEA) all participated in the development of the PowerPoint.</p> <p>The most current PowerPoint is posted on the OSPI/Special Education website.</p> <p>Molly shared that the PowerPoint has evolved as trainings have been given. Statewide trainings have been well attended.</p> <p>See attachment 3 for the District Curriculum and Special Education handout.</p>			

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Meeting Evaluation <i>Ann Waybright</i>	Presentations were great and everyone loved the questions that the members brought up. It gave members a lot to discuss and think about.			
Public Comment	There was no public comment today.			
Meeting Adjourned	Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.			