

# Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) Minutes

February 22–23, 2022

**Date and Time:** February 22, 8:30 am

**Location:** virtual

**Members Attending:** Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Jen Chong Jewell, Jeff Brown, Suzanne Ender, Tanya Cochran, Samantha Fogg, Patricia Gonzalez, Scott Hampton, Kathleen Harvey, Jennifer Lee, Kim Leger, Diana Marker, Shanna McBride, Sean McCormick, Joy Sebe, Laurie Thomas, Vanessa Tucker, Amie Verellen-Grubbs

**OSPI Staff:** Glenna Gallo, OSPI Assistant Superintendent, Beverly Mitchell, OSPI Executive Assistant

**Absent:** Shawnta DiFalco, Eden Bush, Tammie Doyle

**Guest(s):** Alexandria Harvey (WestEd), David Lopez (WestEd), Tania May (OSPI), Alyssa Fairbanks (OSPI), Ta'Reesa Saunders (OSPI), Alexandra Toney (OSPI), Sandy Grummick (OSPI), David Green (OSPI), Mikhail Cherniske (OSPI)

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## Open Meeting | 8:30 am

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**Presenter(s):** Executive Team – Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Jen Chong Jewell, Jeff Brown

- **Topic(s):**
  - Call to order (Tammie Jensen-Tabor)
  - Land acknowledgement (Jen Chong)
  - Review of agenda, bylaws, and SEAC group norms (Jeff Brown)
  - Member introductions (Tammie Jensen-Tabor)
  - Review and accept minutes from October 2021 and January 2022 meetings (Jen Chong)
- **Action Item(s):** No edits or amendments were requested of the October minutes. Vanessa Tucker accepted, and Sean McCormick seconded. All members accepted the minutes from the October 2021 and January 2022 minutes. They will be posted online at [Special Education Advisory Council webpage](#).

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## WestEd Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Coaching Part 1

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**Presenter(s):** Alexandria Harvey and David Lopez (WestEd)

- **Topic(s):** Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Coaching, Application to the Roles and Responsibilities of the SEAC
- **Action Item(s):** N/A



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## WA 2022 Legislative Session Update

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### **Presenter(s): David Green and Mikhail Cherniske (OSPI), and Diana Marker (WA Charter Schools Association)**

- **Topic(s):** Legislative Session Update, Bills Impacting Students with Disabilities
- **Action Item(s):** Discussion and consideration of SEAC Action/Input on Legislation; on which bills SEAC wants to create a position paper? Legislative Workgroup, headed by Diana Marker, will meet to craft the SEAC position paper.
  - [E2SHB 1153 Increasing language access in public schools](#)
  - [E2SHB 1162 Concerning high school graduation credit and pathway options](#)
  - [HB 1611 Advancing equity in programs for highly capable students](#)
  - [2SHB 1664 Concerning prototypical school formulas for physical, social, and emotional support in schools](#) **SEAC affirmed by majority vote to sign in Pro**
  - [2SHB 2008 Eliminating use of IQ scores to determine eligibility for programs and services for individuals with developmental disabilities](#)
  - [SHB 2082 Assessing childcare access](#)
  - [SB 5763 Eliminating sub-prevailing wage certificates for individuals with disabilities](#)
  - [SSB 5790 Strengthening critical community support services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities](#)

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## Due Process Summary and Petition for Rulemaking

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### **Presenter(s): Ta' Ressa Saunders and Tania May (OSPI)**

- **Topic:** Due Process Hearing Summary
- **Action Item:** n/a
- **Topic:** Petition for Rulemaking
- **Action Item(s):** Discussion and Consideration of SEAC Action/Input – SEAC has read the petition document. OSPI is working with the OSPI legal division and WA state Attorney General. The OSPI reply needs to take place by the end of March. After the OSPI reply, SEAC will consider next steps with a response.

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## Public Comment

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### **Presenter(s): Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Executive Chairperson**

- **Topic(s):** Tammie Jensen-Tabor read a public comment that was emailed. One member of the public made comment.

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## Graduation Pathways

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### **Presenter(s): Tania May, Sandy Grummick, and Alexandra Toney (OSPI)**

- **Topic(s):** Review graduation Data for WA Students with Disabilities (IEPs)
  - Discuss Impact of Removal of Certificate of Individual Achievement (CIA) pathway (Pre/Post data) and Other Changes to Graduation Pathways.
  - Review data disaggregation by student groups, demographics, pathway.
    - Discuss data availability and results for students (to include students who are twice exceptional (2e), multilingual learners, and have access to complete the FAFSA (financial aid application).

- **Action Item(s):**
  - Discussion and Consideration of SEAC Action/Input on OSPI Activities Supporting Equitable Graduation Pathway Access, State Board of Education (SBE) Graduation Pathway Rule, and 2022 Washington Legislation on Graduation Pathways.
    - School to work statewide SSB 5790 SEAC support.

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## Summary of Actions

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### **Presenter(s): Jeff Brown, Executive Member**

- Discuss prompt and process to provide input to Superintendent Reykdal from SEAC about main policy and advocacy points, as well as recommendations. The feedback to Superintendent Reykdal will be provided from the SEAC, not individual feedback.
- Invite DDA to a future meeting to talk about eligibility process.

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Adjourn | 1:20 pm

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**Date:** February 23, 2022

**Location:** Virtual

**Members Attending:** Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Jen Chong Jewell, Jeff Brown, Suzanne Ender, Tanya Cochran, Samantha Fogg, Patricia Gonzalez, Scott Hampton, Kathleen Harvey, Jennifer Lee, Kim Leger, Diana Marker, Shanna McBride, Sean McCormick, Joy Sebe, Laurie Thomas, Vanessa Tucker, Amie Verellen-Grubbs

**OSPI Staff:** Glenna Gallo, OSPI-Assistant Superintendent, Beverly Mitchell, OSPI-Executive Assistant

**Absent:** Shawnta DiFalco, Eden Bush, Tammie Doyle

**Guest(s):** Alexandria Harvey and David Lopez from WestEd, WA State Superintendent Chris Reykdal (OSPI), Tania May (OSPI), Cyndie Hargrave (OSPI), Nikki Lockwood, Spokane School Board; Becky Ramsey, Director Special Education Spokane Public Schools

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## Open Meeting | 8:30 am

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**Presenter(s):** Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Executive Chairperson

**Call to order**

**Reminder to the Council members that as a member of the SEAC, members are giving feedback for the SEAC and not individual feedback.**

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## WestEd Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Coaching Part 2

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**Presenter(s): Alexandria Harvey and David Lopez (WestEd)**

- **Topic(s):** Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Coaching, Application to the Roles and Responsibilities of the SEAC.
- **Action Item(s):** N/A

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## Update from Superintendent Reykdal

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**Presenter(s): WA State Superintendent Chris Reykdal (OSPI)**

- **Topic(s):** WA Education System and Priorities, Impact of COVID-19 and Learning of Students with Disabilities, Inclusionary Practices, and Leadership.
- **Action Item(s):**
  - SEAC conveyed their appreciation of Superintendent's support and his championing the work within Inclusionary Practices over the past year.
  - How can the SEAC support IPP and ensure it continues moving forward?
    - Diving in by "grabbing the good stuff". Focusing on what worked, what is sustainable, and what is going to the next level while moving forward.
    - Create recommendations late spring, early summer for Superintendent Reykdal to make him aware of what the SEAC believes OSPI can work on.
      - Scheduled to be done during the annual report writing at May meeting.



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## Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) Service Timeline

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### **Presenter(s): Laurie Thomas (DCYF)**

- **Topic(s):** Plan and Timeline to extend ESIT Services to Students Turning 3 Over the Summer Months
- **Action Items:** Discussion and SEAC provide input on plan
  - Feedback opportunities:
    - OSPI Federal Grant Public Hearings, March 3, and March 10
    - DCYF-ESIT Federal Grant Public Hearings April 2022
    - Pre-K Inclusion Champions Gathering April 14
    - OSPI Special Education Directors March 23
    - Joint DCYF-ESIT and OSPI Family Input Forum dates and location to be announced in the OSPI March Special Education Update and ESIT weekly publication
    - OSPI Special Education Fiscal and Data Office Hours March 30
    - Update and feedback from DCYF/ESIT Statewide Interagency Coordinating Council April 20
  - The SEAC supports extension of ESIT/Part C services. One abstention and 18 in support.

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## 2022–2025 SEAC Membership Changes, Openings, and Executive Team Nomination Discussion

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### **Presenter(s): Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Executive Chairperson; Jen Chong Jewell, Executive Vice-Chairperson**

- **Topic(s):** Discuss terms which are ending, openings, and solicit interest in nominations for Executive Team
- **Action Items:**
  1. If members would like to reapply for a seat on the council, please send application and current resume to [beverly.mitchell@k12.wa.us](mailto:beverly.mitchell@k12.wa.us) with "SEAC Application" in the subject line, no later than March 31.
  2. If anyone needs to resign (your term will end June 30) from the council, please send a formal letter of resignation to [beverly.mitchell@k12.wa.us](mailto:beverly.mitchell@k12.wa.us) no later than March 31.
  3. A list will go out after March 31 listing everyone who gave applied to remain on the Council.
  4. Nominations for the executive team should be made no later than April 15.
    - a. Nominees for the executive team are required to have been a member of the SEAC for at least three years.
  5. Please feel free to encourage others within your communities to apply to sit on the SEAC.

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## Special Education Funding Data and IDEA Budget Review

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### **Presenter(s): Cyndie Hargrave and Tania May (OSPI)**

- **Topic(s):** Special Education Funding Data, Use of ESSER Funds, WA IDEA application Review
- **Action Items:** Discussion and SEAC provided input on WA IDEA application.
  - Tania May sent the draft of the Part B Interactive Spreadsheet for FFY 2022 with Projects to the SEAC members. Tania invited the members to contact her directly if they had any questions, concerns, or feedback.

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## Discussion about Community Forum next steps

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### **Presenter(s): Executive Team**

- ~~**Topics:** Update/reformat community forum and questions, discuss SEAC engagement database, and discuss joint meetings with SEAC and ICC, and Pre-ETS.~~
- **Action Items:** Moved to the May 2022 meeting.

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## Spokane Public Schools Presentation Part 1

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### **Presenter(s): Nikki Lockwood, Spokane School Board; Becky Ramsey, Director Special Education Spokane Public Schools**

- **Topics:** Local SEAC and Strategic Plan. They will present part 2 at the May 2022 meeting.
  - [Special Education Parent Handbook Shareable Link](#)
- **Action Items:** N/A
  - Part 2 of the Spokane SEPAC presentation will be added to the May agenda.

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## Summary of Actions

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### **Presenter(s): Tammie Jensen-Tabor**

- **Action Item(s):**
  - Members who have met term must reapply if they want to stay on the SEAC. Directions were given on what members need to do and an email will go out to all members with those directions and the SEAC application attached.
    - Members would like to reapply for a seat on the council, please send application and current resume to [beverly.mitchell@k12.wa.us](mailto:beverly.mitchell@k12.wa.us) with "SEAC Application" in the subject line, no later than March 31.
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    - Please feel free to encourage others within your communities to apply to sit on the SEAC.
  - Nominations will be made for the new Executive Team by April 15. Voting will take place at the May meeting.
  - Diana Marker heading up a workgroup to create position statements for the Legislature – Diana Marker, Samantha Fogg, Joy Sebe, Jen Chong Jewell, and Vanessa Tucker. Diana reaching out to those who are interested in the workgroup and send to relevant Legislators.
  - Part 2 of the Spokane Public Schools Presentation will take place with Nikki Lockwood and Becky Ramsey.
  - Add update/reformat community forum and questions, discuss SEAC engagement database, and Pre-ETS to the May agenda.
  - Motion was made to explore/coordinate a joint meeting with SEAC and ICC. Unanimous decision to move forward.

- Interested members in Pre-ETS listening sessions – Diana Marker, Kathleen Harvey, Patty Gonzalez, Joy Sebe, Shelby Satko, Shanna McBride, and Jen Chong Jewell. Idea given to have an entire day added to an upcoming agenda for Early Childhood transitions, and Pre-ETS.
- Annual Report prep. Reminder to fill out community engagement activities form created by Suzanne Ender before the May meeting for input into the annual report. Send form to members.
- Add to May agenda: How to embed into the SEAC what was taught by the WestEd group.
- May 24–25, 2022 8:30 am–3:00 pm (30-minute lunch) meeting will be virtual. Because of the very full agenda (annual report writing, and nomination and election of next executive team), the May meeting will be two six-hour days.

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Adjourn | 1 pm

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