

Washington State Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)

Date: May 8, 2019

Members Present: Sam Blazina, Marta Bloomquist, Jeff Brown, Jen Cole, Gail Coulter, Shawnta DiFalco, LouOma Durand, Carrie Fannin, Darya Farivar, Kathleen Harvey, Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Dominic Jimenez, Jennifer Lee, Kimberly Leger, Diana Marker, Sean, McCormick, Laurie Thomas, Vanessa Tucker

Excused Absences: Sarah Butcher (attended via Zoom), Tammie Doyle, Sherry Krainick, Michele Smith

OSPI Staff: Glenna Gallo, Bev Mitchell

Note Taker: Bev Mitchell

Topic	Discussion	Action	Who/When	When Completed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Call meeting to order ➤ Member and Public Introductions ➤ Public participation guidelines read 	<p>Carrie Fannin called the meeting to order. Introduction of members. Public Participation guidelines read.</p>	N/A		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Icebreaker ➤ Review Agenda, Purpose of SEAC, Areas of Consideration for 2018-2019, Group Norms ➤ Review minutes from February, 2019 meeting 	<p>Members introduced themselves and mentioned if they were staying with the SEAC or resigning.</p> <p>Minutes from February 2019 meeting were accepted with no changes made.</p>	N/A		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ SEAC Membership vacancies and needs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ State Child Welfare agency employee 	<p>Glenna Gallo shared about the applicants who have submitted for positions on the SEAC noting that we are still in need of a State Child Welfare agency employee.</p>	<p>Continuing to search for a representative to fill the State Child Welfare role.</p>	Glenna Gallo	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Discussion of final legislation and activities needed as a result. 	<p>Darya Farivar shared about the three bills that the SEAC followed closely. Final Bill Report E2SSB 5091 - Sarah Butcher shared saw an influx in funding and pleased. Good but we need to get more. It doesn't feel like it is enough. The CAP needs to be larger. Diana Marker believes there will be many questions with the complicated adjustment to the multiplier.</p>			

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	<p>SB 5606/HB 1130 Language Access bill. Passed. Originally came up with a lot of changes but ended as a workgroup to look over the recommendations. That includes the OEO as part of the workgroup. School districts must keep track of the language in which families communicate and track that a qualified interpreter was provided. Create a definition of being qualified. King County has issues with Medicaid interpreters. Access to interpreters not happening. Because of increased standards for interpreters, has caused a large number of interpreters to not renew their certification.</p> <p>SB 5395 – Concerning comprehensive sexual health education. Would have provided sexual health to all students. The bill did not get out of House Education and therefore is technically dead.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do we have a sense of where the opposition was rooted? It seemed to be misinformation. 			
<p>➤ Discussion around the Washington Part B Annual State Special Education Application</p>	<p>Glenna Gallo read letter from the workgroup IDEA Application letter 2019. Shared the site on OSPI. WA-Part B-Interactive-Spreadsheet Suggestion made to talk about this again before the next Legislative session. As it will be huge impact on the state.</p>			
<p>➤ Information gathering from Partner Agencies and SEAC members</p>	<p>Lou Oma Durand, Department of Services for the Blind - Funding has been cut to the adult program. Skills training programs, awareness programs, things involving families. Youth programs are expanding.</p> <p>Kathleen Harvey, Department of Corrections – Working with OSPI to adhere and honor the adolescent brain literature. Expands age population. Tied to the bill 1646 work done, looking at language to collaborate and committed to student support and special</p>			

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	<p>education. Coming together with a comprehensive plan to what does this look like. Healthy start to the conversation, but have a lot of work to do. Truancy will not have access to detention beginning 2021.</p> <p>Sam Blazina Office of Education Ombuds – Reach out and recruit toward reengaging youth what some of the challenges are “life after no more school.” Lacking access in Eastern Washington to Open Doors reengagement pathways. Sam will send more information to the SEAC. Sam mentioned that her caseload at OEO is primarily mental health issues. Should have guidance to SDs that is more consistent across the board dealing with mental health issues. Suggestion to continue this conversation within the SEAC.</p> <p>Jen Cole Partnerships for Action, Voices for Empowerment (PAVE) – Communicating more effectively with families. Sign up for e-newsletters PAVE website. Two radio broadcasts with KDNA in the Yakima area. Family and community engagement critical for MTSS to be successful. If there is no family and community engagement MTSS will not work. MTSS has potential to build capacity with families before kids get into the system, but communities have to want to see families succeed.</p>			
<p>➤ Washington Due Process hearing decisions between November, 2018 and May, 2019</p>	<p>Glenna gave report on Due Process hearing decisions between November, 2018 and May, 2019. Decisions have not been posted due to OSPI web redesign. Decisions will be posted as soon as the web redesign team is able.</p>			
<p>➤ Voting on New Executive Team</p>	<p>Elected Executive Chair – Tammie Jensen-Tabor Elected Executive Vice Chair – Jen Cole Elected Executive Member – Jeff Brown</p>			
<p>➤ Annual Report Writing</p>	<p>Collaboratively worked on creating the 2018-19 annual report.</p>	<p>Finalize report and submit to Superintendent</p>	<p>Sarah Butcher</p>	<p>Turned the annual report over to</p>

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				Superintendent Reykdal July 19
➤ Expectations regarding the community forum on May 8, 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. at Inspire Development Center, 5420 Konnowac Pass Rd, Wapato, WA. (Dinner will be provided)	N/A			
➤ Public Comment	The public comment timeframe was waived due to no public participants in attendance.			
➤ Summary of Actions	The writing of the report was completed.			
➤ Adjourn			Carrie Fannin 4:30pm	