Special Education Advisory Panel (SEAP) Virtual Meeting

MINUTES: April 21, 2021 9:00 am- 10:30 am

Panel Members in attendance: 15 Public attendees: 11 ALSDE: 7

Jeana Winter - Chairperson

Felicia Carswell Jason Martin

Lisa Clayton Temeyra McElrath

Kristen Dial Renate Rice

Lisa Dorman Graham L. Sisson, Jr.

Tasha Harrison-Betts Kay Sprayberry

Shakela Johnson-Ford Todd Tomerline (Vice Chair)

Jassetta Manning-Jones Amy Williamson

Call to Order - SEAP Chairperson, Jeana Winter

- Greetings.
- Roll call.

Review of minutes from January 20, 2021, panel opened the floor for motion to approve minutes, no opposition – minutes approved.

Public Comments Read Aloud - SEAP Chairperson, Ms. Jeana Winter

• There were no public comments submitted to the panel.

ALSDE NEW Program Director, Dr. DaLee Chambers (ppt provided to the panel)

- Introduction
- SES Team scope and responsibilities
- NCIS collaboration/partnership
- Alabama Achieves
- COVID-19 Memo
- SPP/APR, SSIP submission to OSEP
- Future SEAP work sessions
- MEGA Conference

SEAP Committee Updates

• SEAP Membership Committee, Ms. Jeana Winter

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- New applications have been received and reviewed by the panel; panel opened the floor for motion to approve the applications submitted; no opposition, applications approved and will be forwarded to the Superintendent of Education.
- SEAP Bylaws Committee, Mr. Graham Sisson
 - ➤ Panel opened the floor for motion to accept the amended/revised SEAP Bylaws, no opposition bylaws approved; the new/amended/revised bylaws will be posted on the ALSDE SEAP webpage when the bylaws are available to ALSDE.

SEAP Priority and Needs Identified, Ms. Jeana Winter

- Special Education Caseload vs. Workload
- Shortage of Special Education teachers and service providers
- Reporting of Monitoring and progress data for students
- Pandemic progress and/or regression of students
- Transition-based services/programs during the pandemic
- Accessibility of data
- Intentional inclusion of SWD' in initiatives/policies to improve performance.

SEAP Operating procedures, Ms. Jeana Winter

• The SEAP would like to begin the process of developing operating procedures to be used and provided to/for future panel members.

SAVE-the-DATE SEAP Meetings—July 28, 2021 and October 13, 2021

Final Comments/Adjournment – Todd Tomerlin, SEAP Panel Vice Chairperson