

Special Education Advisory Panel (SEAP) Virtual Meeting

MINUTES: May 3, 2022

9:00 am-10:30 am

Panel Members in attendance (virtual):

Jeana Winter - Chairperson

Lisa Balazs

Carin Mayo

Lisa Clayton

Corrie Merchant

Pamela Fossett

Graham Sisson

Tasha Harrison-Betts

Lori Skidmore

Shakela Ford-Johnson

Amy Williamson

Jassetta Manning-Jones

Todd Tomerline (Vice Chair)

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY PANEL DUTIES

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The advisory panel must –

- (a) Advise the SEA of unmet needs within the State in the education of children with disabilities;
- (b) Comment publicly on any rules or regulations proposed by the State regarding the education of children with disabilities;
- (c) Advise the SEA in developing evaluations and reporting on data to the Secretary under section 618 of the Act;
- (d) Advise the SEA in developing corrective action plans to address findings identified in Federal monitoring reports under Part B of the Act; and
- (e) Advise the SEA in developing and implementing policies relating to the coordination of services for children with disabilities.

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Call to Order - SEAP Chairperson, Jeana Winter

- Welcome.
- Roll Call of members

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

- Public Comment – from Maria Katz on behalf of Alabama Hands & Voices

Membership Committee:

- There have been 4 new applications submitted for consideration. The Panel has approved the applicants and they will receive a formal letter of invitation from the ALSDE.

ALSDE Report

- SPP/APR Clarification – Dr. M. Card
 - The FFY 2022 SPP/APR was submitted to OSEP February 1, 2022; clarification period was 4/14-4/28. This was an opportunity for all states to clarify any information or questions from OSEP about the SPP/APR.
 - ALSDE provided clarification for several indicators regarding the baseline being established with FFY 2020 actual data.
 - ALSDE attached the missing accessibility checker for Indicator 8 – the parent survey and
 - All state had to provide the sampling plan for Indicator 14.
- ALSDE SES Monitoring – Dr. D. Chambers
 - ALSDE presented “Shifting Our Focus” from compliance to results, regarding the ALSDE SES comprehensive monitoring process
- Teacher Shortage – Dr. D. Chambers
 - ALSDE presented requirements and timelines regarding the special education alternative certificate

SAVE-THE-DATES (future meetings)

- August 16, 2022 – hope to be face-to-face: location TBA
 - Election of new officers for the SEAP Panel
- November 15, 2022

Final Comments/Adjournment – Jean Winter, SEAP Panel Chairperson

SEAP application:

<https://www.alabamaachieves.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Special-Education-Advisory-Panel-Membership-Application.pdf>