

Iowa Special Education Advisory Panel

Date: September 14, 2018

Facilitator: Nancy Ankeny Hunt

Panel Secretary: Julie Carmer

Present: Carma Betz, Dawn Bonsall, Pete Bunnell, Jessica Iverson, Jennifer Aldrich, Cynthia Blackard, Rachel Terry, Heather Brand, Mary Jackson, Kate Cole, Joan Ebersold, Daniel VanSant, David VanHorn, Shannon, Tackes, Kathleen VanTol, Ruth Frush, Sandra Smith, Joel Weeks

Department Staff Present: Barb Guy, Nancy Ankeny Hunt, Julie Carmer

Absent: Susan Etscheidt

Presenters: Kathy Bertsch, Melissa Tandy

Public Comment: None

Handouts for the September 2018 meeting:

- Agenda
- Minutes from 5/11/18 meeting

Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Kathleen VanTol at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Consent Agenda ([Meeting Minutes 5/11/18](#))

Motion made by _____ to approve, second by _____. Motion approved.

Welcome Activity: (Kathleen Van Tol)

Kathleen led an ice breaker activity and established some ground rules and meeting norms

- Confidentiality
- Raise hands and state name
- Stay on task

Where we are and Where We Are Going (5 years): (Barb Guy)

2013- 3 Big Areas of Work:

1. Build capacity of service providers and special educators to create positive outcomes for infants, toddlers and SwD.
2. Build collaborative partnerships
3. Facilitate system structures and partnerships

2014-2016 Work:

1. Identified what to measure
2. Established systems to collect data
3. Established systems to report data
4. Became increasingly finite in data unit of measure
5. Have effective strategies-both instructional and for large scale change

2018-2019 Work:

1. Replenish instruction
 - a. SDI Scale Up in AEAs
 - b. ASD Pilots
 - c. FBA/BIP Work
2. Simplify Systems
 - a. FEP Redesign
 - b. Launching phase one IDEA-DA (B13) - Districts will be notified—there are 90 districts identified as needing supports. The DE contracted with Kristen Lane (formerly Kirsten McCullough) to work in Secondary Transition. Kirsten was a Transition Specialist in Des Moines Public Schools.
 - c. New IEP/IFSP System
 - d. Online Procedures Guidance System

Barb reviewed SEAP duties and responsibilities, led a discussion about priorities for members and went over how to exercise the advisory responsibilities as a SEAP member.

Announcements

October Meeting is cancelled.

November 3rd is the start of the Law Conference. If you would like to go, please let Nancy know so she can get your name on the list. SEAP will cover registration, lodging, and mileage.

The Division on Career Development and Transition (DCDT) Conference is in Cedar Rapids, Iowa in October. This is a national conference and we will support SEAP members going to this also. There is also a pre-conference session on Transition and Mental Health

New Procedures Guidance System (Melissa Tandy)

Melissa is the Project Manager of Special Education and is updating the Special Education Guidance in Iowa. The role of the project manager(s) will be to work at the statewide level to support implementation of IDEA and Chapter 41 of Iowa Code. The goal is to have one Statewide Special Education Web-Based Guidance System.

Special Education Procedural Governance Council (PGC): To establish a sustainable governance and work structure among Iowa's Area Education Agencies, the Iowa

Department of Education, and Local Education Agencies for the development of accessible special education procedural guidance.

The relationship of the PGC: Shared Responsibilities for general supervision and correct implementation (DE, AEA, LEA)

Equal collaborative approach of development and implementation of special education procedures (DE, AEA)

Outcomes: To develop and maintain online procedural guidance that is fully aligned with and supports the Iowa Evaluation and Eligibility Standards, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and Iowa Administrative Rules of Special Education.

To develop and maintain a sustainable and efficient process for considering the needs of multiple stakeholder groups in making future revisions.

Melissa asked for feedback from Panel members: What ideas do you have that would be helpful to increase access to information and accurate decision-making?

Future Agenda Items that we would like to Discuss

Eligibility—Drill down more

Motion to adjourn made by Joel Weeks, second by Pete Bunnell. Motion passed.

Next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 30, 2018 at the Grimes State Office Building, Room B100