

Maryland SESAC

SPECIAL EDUCATION STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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SESAC General Meeting

Johns Hopkins University/Center for Technology in Education
6740 Alexander Bell Drive, Columbia, MD 21046
10:00a.m. - 12:30p.m.
September 20, 2012

MINUTES

- Attendee:** Mary Baskar, Chair, Kelly Meissner, Co-Chair, Rachel London, Dawn Koplos, Eileen Watson, Dorie Flynn, Pam Hardy-Cyran
- Excused:** Rhonda Creecy, Sharon Glass, Lori Hall-Underwood, Claudette LeBlanc, Marlo Lemon, Amy Morales, Jacqueline Powell, Denise Stamp, Katy Kaufman, Marcella Franczkowski
- Guests:** Carol Strootman, Sarah Wayland, Chris Swanson, and Donna Riccobow
- Staff:** Donna Riley and Clara Coleman
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Ms. Mary Baskar, Chair opened the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Welcome/Introductions - Attendees introduced themselves.

Maryland Learning Links (MLL) Presentation - Chris Swanson

Chris Swanson informed the committee on how the SESAC can be included on the MLL website and how to link the SESAC with local Special Education Citizens' Advisory Committees (SECACs). The MLL is a product of the Maryland State Improvement Grant (MSIG). The website provides information and resources for parents, teachers, families, administrators, and other communities around issues of special education and early intervention services. The home page will constantly feature the latest available information.

State Performance Plan (SPP)/Annual Performance Report (APR) Indicator Update

On June 27, 2012, Maryland State Department of Education received from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) the State's Part B determination status of "Meets Requirements" for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2010. The FFY 2011 SPP/APR is due February 1, 2013.

The following are changes to the Part B Indicators for FFY 2011:

- Indicator 6 Preschool LRE - First report since FFY 2005

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- Indicator 16 State Compliant Timeline – deleted
- Indicator 17 Due Process Hearing Timeline - deleted

Assistant State Superintendent's Update

The Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services Annual Special Leadership Conference is October 10, 2012. The conference will provide attendees the opportunity to hear information and data in the following topical areas:

- A National Perspective: Results Driven Accountability and Partnerships for Performance *Ruth Ryder*, Deputy Director U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) and *Sue Swenson*, Deputy Assistant Secretary U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)
- A State Perspective: Maryland's Vision for All Students *Lillian M. Lowery*, State Superintendent of Schools, Maryland State Department of Education
- The State of the State: The Power of Leading Together for Results, *Marcella E. Franczkowski*, Assistant State Superintendent, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services; and
- Neuroscience, Developmental Disabilities, and Special Education: The Need for Partnerships – *E. Mark Mahone*, Director of Neuropsychology Associate Professor Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences Johns Hopkins University

On September 4, 2012, the Maryland State Department of Education submitted a federal State Professional Development Grant (SPDG) application to the OSEP. The OSEP will notify the MSDE whether or not the State will receive this grant by next week. If approved, the MSDE will receive 5 million dollars over a five year period to improve Professional Development of Teachers.

Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services has revised *Exclusion, Restraint and Seclusion* (Technical Assistance Bulletin 18) and *Child with a Disability-Individualized Education Program Meeting-Document Access* (Technical Assistance Bulletin 20).

Ideas for future presentations include:

- Increasing membership attendance
- Soliciting Parents to participate on the SESAC
- Statewide Bullying Task Force
- New assessments via PARCC – NCSC
- Waiver programs – DHMH
- Autism Waiver
- Post School Outcomes
- Maryland Deaf/Blind Project
- Local SECACs

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m. The next meeting Wednesday, November 14, 2012, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., CTE