# Welcome to the Special Education Advisory Council Meeting

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The meeting will start promptly at 1:00.

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January 12, 2022

#### Call to Order

• Welcome

Roll Call

#### **Approvals**

Agenda for today, January 12, 2022

• Minutes November 10, 2021

#### **Public Comment**

- Guidelines for Testimony
  - Prior to start of the SEAC meeting, be sure to email Kayla Love, klove@ksde.org expressing desire to speak during public comment.
  - All comments will be taken under advisement by the council.
  - Any response from the Council to public comments will come at a later date.
- Verbal Public Comment
  - Verbal comments are limited to three minutes.
  - Cue will be given one minute before time expires.
- Written Testimony
  - Written input must include the name, address and county of residence of the person submitting comment.
  - Written comments can be submitted via email, mail, or fax to the secretary of the SEAC.



# Pre-service Programs and Lack of Student Teachers in Early Childhood

Dr. Eva Horn



# SICC Annual Update

Jordan Christian





# SICC Overview and Activities of 2021-22



#### New Membership



- KDADS- Doug Bowman
- Medicaid Office- Laura Leistra
- Parent Member- Laura Smith-Everett
- Parent Member- Laurie Schmitt
- Public Member- Alex Red Corn
- DCF- Melinda Kline
- KDHE Part C- Tricia Waggoner

(Several Additional Pending)





#### SICC Meetings

- Meetings scheduled for the third Friday of each month, have been virtual since start of COVID.
   Continued meeting format
  - ► Local Program
  - >System Development and Support





#### Local Program Presenters

- REACH tiny-k Infant Toddler
- Infant Toddler Services of Johnson County
- Tiny-k Early Intervention- Douglas County
- Russell Child Development Center tiny-k Services (13 counties in central/southwest Kansas)
- Leavenworth County Infant Toddler Services



#### Other Presenters and Topics



- ASQ Implementation- KU CPPR
- Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) Feedback Session
- Kansas Preschool Development Grant
- Kansas Deaf-Blind Project
- Kansas Insurance Department Q&A
- Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA)
- Kansas School for the Deaf- Outreach Services
- SPP/APR Overview
- Learning Tree Institute Training-Greenbush

#### Committees



- Early Childhood Funding Committee
- **EC** Least Restrictive Environment
- LICC Annual Retreat and Support Committee
- Executive Committee
- State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR)



#### Achievements



- State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR) Approval and Review
- ECLRE Committee
- Education of Council Members
- First Local ICC Retreat
- LICC Connections
- Partnership with the Recommendations Panel



#### Identification of Meeting Content and Schedule for the coming year



#### Questions?



# Contact: Jordan Christian jchristian@ksde.org

### Unified Licenses

Shane Carter





# Unified Endorsements/

January 12, 2022



#### Agenda

- Endorsement Types
- Early Childhood Unified
- Elementary Education Unified
- Secondary Education Unified
- Additional Information



#### **Endorsement Types**

- Early Childhood Unified
  - Birth to Kindergarten
  - Birth to Grade 3
- Elementary Education Unified
  - K-6
  - Will change to PreK-6 upon regulation approval
- Secondary Education Unified
  - 6-12



#### **Early Childhood Unified**

- Issued at Birth to K or Birth to Grade 3
- Educator can
  - Teach general education at endorsement grade levels
  - Provide high incidence support services at endorsement grade levels
  - Provide low incidence support services at the endorsement grade levels



#### **Early Childhood Unified**

- Testing requirements
  - Birth to K endorsement
  - Waivers and Provisional licenses available
    - Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education Praxis test code (5023)
  - Birth to Grade 3
    - Education of Young Children Praxis test code (5024)
    - Special Education: Preschool/Early Childhood (5691)



#### **Early Childhood**

- Additional Information
  - WSU TAP
    - Allows individual to teach in Early Childhood Unified Birth to Grade 3 position and/or Elementary Education K-6 position
    - Depending on education history, an individual can qualify for a TAP license while completing the program



#### **Elementary Education Unified**

- Issued at K-6 Grade Level
- Educator can
  - Teach general education at the PreK (three and four year-olds) to Grade 6
  - Provide high incidence support services at the K-6 level
  - Provide low incidence support services at the K-6 level



#### **Elementary Education Unified**

- Testing
  - Elementary Education Content Knowledge for Teaching Praxis Test Code (7811)
  - Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications Praxis test code (5354)



#### **Secondary Education Unified**

No programs offered at this time



#### **Shane Carter**

Assistant Director, Teacher Licensure and Accreditation

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#### Break

# SEAC Annual Update

Bert Moore Jennifer King



#### Introduction Of SEAC Leadership

- Heath Peine, Past Chair
- Jennifer King, Current Chair
- Trisha Backman, Chair Elect



#### **SEAC Membership Represents**

- Parent(s) of a child with a disability
- Parent of a child with giftedness
- Individuals with disabilities
- General Education Teacher
- Special Education Teacher
- Representative of institution of higher education
- State Education Official representing McKinney-Vento Homeless Education
- Local Education Official(s) from public school systems

- Administrators of programs for exceptional children
- Other state agencies involved in financing or delivery of related services
- Private schools
- Vocational, community or business organization concerned with provision of transition services
- State juvenile corrections agency
- State Adult corrections agency
- State Agency responsible for Foster Care Children



# SEAC Membership Ex-Officio Representatives

- Official Parent Training and Information Center for Kansas
- Kansas State Board of Education
- Official Protection and Advocacy Center for Kansas



#### 2020-2021 SEAC Year in Review

- Personnel shortages in special education areas with Teacher Licensure.
- Formation of Membership Committee to review new SEAC membership application to fill open positions.
- Received and reviewed Navigating Change Document and provided feedback concerning gaiting criteria- hybrid, remote, on-site learning opportunities.
- Secondary Transition services and requirements.
  - Created a Sub-committee to develop a family friendly document in this area.

#### 2020-2021 SEAC Year in Review, cont.

- SEAC-SICC Joint Meeting.
  - Reviewed Early Childhood Least Restrictive Environment data trends
- Legislative Session Discussion Topics.
  - Homeless data, Special education funding, Teacher shortages, ESSER/EANS
- SPP/APR requirements for FFY2020-2025.
- Provided feedback to KSDE's SETS team.



#### 2021-2022 Work in progress

- Administrative licensure.
- Teacher licensure.
- Transition Ongoing from previous year.
- Supporting COVID related issues.
  - Gaiting Criteria.
  - Meeting student needs 18-20.
  - Impact on homeless students.
- Technical assistance availability and adaptability.
- Graduation Requirement Task Force.
  - Providing valuable input to those representing the students of Kansas who receive Special Education Services.



#### Future Agenda Items to Address

- Legislative Considerations for the 2022 Session.
- Quarterly Updates Will Be Provided to the Kansas State Board.





#### Questions?

## Council Ex-Officio Member Reports





#### **Ex-Officio Member Reports**

- Families Together
- Kansas Association of Special Education Administrators (KASEA)
  - Ashley Enz
- Disability Rights Center
- Kansas State Board of Education
- Others



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#### Closing Comments/Adjournment

Next SEAC Meeting: January 13, 2021

Items for next agenda

Motion to adjourn





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