

Kansas Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)



Notes

July 26, 2016
12:30-4:30 pm
Hyatt Regency
Wichita, KS

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

Amy Dejmal
Deb Howser
Judy Martin
Lesli Girard
Rebekah Helget

Deb Young
Diane Plunkett
Robb Scott
Marvin Miller
Sarah Schaffer

Doug Anderson
Joan Robbins
Joan Macy
Mike Martin
Stacie Clarkson

Members Absent:

Marcy Aycock
Matt Ramsey
Kathy Kersenbrock- Ostmeyer

Maureen Huppe
Tina Gibson

Jason Hooper

KSDE Staff Present:

Beth Fultz
Kerry Haag
Laura Jurgensen,

Tate Toedman
Colleen Riley

Sandy Guidry
Julie Ehler

Guests:

Wayne Ball
Natalie Rolfe

Kelly Stanford

(Rose Schaffer,
Sarah's mom)

Welcome/Reflections

**Matt Ramsey,
Past Chair**

- Marvin Miller is the SEAC chair for 2016-2017. Joan Macy is the SEAC chair-elect.
- Across the state we are hearing education funding concerns. Thank you for making it work in these times.

Looking Forward

**Marvin Miller,
Chair**

Marvin shared a quote taken from the UC Observer, the words belong to John Swinton.

“The problem we have with society is a real emphasis — and a quite right emphasis — on inclusion. I think at one level that’s fine. However, inclusion is simply not enough. To include people in society is just to have them there... There is a big difference between inclusion and belonging. To belong, you have to be missed. There’s something really, really important about that. People need to long for you, to want you to be there. When you’re not there, they should go looking for you.”

Link to the full article: http://www.ucobserver.org/interviews/2013/02/john_swinton/

This council is a unique and diverse group. You are encouraged to contribute to the robust discussions. When we as a council decide on something, we move forward with recommendations to the appropriate entity.

We are an advisory group, not an advocacy group. We will advise the Early Childhood, Special Education and Title Services (ECSETS) team and the Kansas State Board of Education. Marvin will be inviting advocacy organizations to speak to this group throughout the year and invites other members to give him ideas about advocacy groups you want to have visit with SEAC.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Deb Howser moved to approve the agenda as presented. Stacie Clarkson seconded the motion.

Motion Passed.

Judy Martin moved to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting. Mike Martin seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Review of Roberts Rules of Order and SEAC Notebook Content

Marvin Miller

A review of Robert’s rules of Order and public comment procedures was conducted.

Reimbursement Forms:

W9 everyone is to be filled out once each year by all SEAC members. Vouchers are in the SEAC notebook to complete following each meeting/conference so expenses can be reimbursed. Please give, mail, or email these to Pat Bone. pbone@ksde.org

Review of Membership and Meeting Dates 2016-2017

Marvin Miller

- There is a vacancy on the council. It is for a charter school representative. If you are in a district that has a charter school and have nominees, please contact Colleen.
- Our next SEAC meeting is set for Sept. 20th in Topeka at the Kansas Association of School Boards (KASB) in Topeka.
- The November SEAC meeting will include meeting with the State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC).

SEAC Orientation:**PowerPoint****Colleen Riley, Wayne Ball,
Laura Jurgensen**

- SEAC is not an advocacy organization but there is a need to collaborate with those organizations to support children, parents and educators.
- SEAC meetings are open meetings and follow the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. If you want to disseminate information to SEAC members, please send it to Colleen or Pat and the information will be disseminated.
- If you have a request to please bring topics to SEAC for discussion, please send them to Marvin or Colleen.
- Notice for Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM):
 1. Significant Disproportionality (we have submitted comments)
 2. ESSA (will be submitting this week)
- Kansas legislation requires a Coordinating Council K-8. More information will be found at: www.stateadvisorypanel.org
- You will find information for SEAC posted at: <http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=561>.
- To contact KSDE staff working with SEAC you may email Colleen Riley at criley@ksde.org or Pat Bone at pbone@ksde.org
- Part D of IDEA supports parents and families. Lesli Girard is an ex-officio member on the council representing this area and provides information to the council regarding parent and family involvement.

Public Comment

No request for public comment was received.

Review Proposed Changes to Emergency Safety Interventions Regulation and receive public comment**PowerPoint and handouts****Laura Jurgensen**

Laura will present to state board meeting in August the proposed changes in regulations. This was necessary because of the amended statute passed by legislature. Changes in regulations are required by the statute and then changes to resources will follow.

SEAC Comments on statutory changes:

- KIAS – Seclusion and restraint will be reported in Authenticated Application – KIAS
 - Timeline: Statutes went into effect July 1, 2016. Regulations should be finalized in spring 2017.
 - When do revisions need to be in place at the district level? Revisions should be in district policy beginning this school year.
- Kudos to Laura and Julie, school board, legislators.
- Law enforcement exemptions? Were placed in statute that went into effect July 1.

Council Member Reports:

- Lesli, Families Together, (handout) Kansas Education Advocate Program
 - Members are welcome to come to the trainings.
 - August 31 – Manhattan
 - November 17 – Wichita
 - Parent Leadership Conference – October 28-29, 2016 - Topeka

- ESI Family Information Flyer will be out in August (Families Together)

Down Syndrome Society of Wichita

Natalie Rolfe

- There will be a student advocacy training for working students. Students in Wichita will be training to go to Capitol Hill to talk about what they want and need.
- Supporting parents by connecting parents to each other.
- Building a library of resource tools.
- 100% funded with private donations.
- Looking for other ways to connect from birth to 21.
- Often Works with Families Together in Wichita and Kansas City.

KSDE Updates

PowerPoint

**Colleen Riley, KSDE
And TASN Staff**

- Board of Education members (Handout)
- Early Childhood, Special Education & Title Services (ECSETS) staff (Handout)
- State Board Vision and Outcomes (Handout)
- Kansas Individuals with Disabilities Act Annual Performance Report (IDEA APR)
- Kansas Technical Assistance Systems Network (TASN) – Crystal Davis
- Upcoming Professional Learning for SEAC members to consider (handout)
- Kansas Education Systems Accreditation
- Kansas Assessment Updates – Beth Fultz (PowerPoint)
- Kansas Early Learning Standards – Barbara Dayal (PowerPoint)
- ESEA – Tate Toedman (PowerPoint)
- Significant Disproportionality – Diana Stanfill, Dean Zajic (PowerPoint)

All handouts and PowerPoints presented are available on the SEAC page of the KSDE website:
<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=561>

Meeting Adjourned

Marvin Miller

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.