

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS MEETING

October 16, 2024

Minutes

PRESENT: Jennifer Pool, Fallon Adolph, Marty Remmers, Rowena Fairbanks, NelLaine Kilgore, Susan Scott, Travis Manley, Jason Davis, Jamie Hughes, Lisa Mazza (by phone), Thomas Crocker, Wendy Frink, Robert Bornmann, Danyelle Gonzalez, Gary Phillips, Jody Burriss, Staci Johnson, Steve Payne,

OTHERS PRESENT: Brittany Shepherd, Janine Kaeslin, Jane Chamberlain, Ann Seigel,

ABSENT: Zachary Franceschetti,

I. CALL TO ORDER: Marty Remmers called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. II.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

III. COMMENTS: There were no comments from the audience.

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

1. State SELPA Report - Marty

Marty reviewed the current finance bulletin from state SELPA including, a current economic update, labor market conditions, and the monthly cash report.

Updated information from the state regarding inclusion was reviewed. By 2025, California targets are that 70% of students with disabilities are to be educated in the general education classroom 80% or more of the time.

Legislation updates affecting special education were shared.

Marty reported out regarding the Individuals with Disabilities Education ACT (IDEA) Specialist initiative.

2. CARES Update - Victor Staff

C.A.R.E.S. (Counseling for parent and child, advocacy, resource connections, educational supports, social skills) staff provided an overview of the services they offer, and how they are partnering with referred students and their families. They shared positive outcomes and success stories from the past years caseload.

3. IEE Parent Packet - Marty

Marty reviewed recommended edits of the parent letter with the team to be included in the updated IEE parent packet. To be reviewed by directors, and added to the SEIS library when completed.

4. Procedural Safeguards - Marty

The California Department of Education (CDE), Special Education Division announced updates to the Notice of Procedural Safeguards, which can be accessed at the CDE Family Involvement and Partnerships web page.

5. County Programs Discussion - Rowena

Rowena reviewed current class size data for county programs including current classroom enrollment. Enrollment in county programs has increased from this time last year. Rowena will be connecting with each Location Education Agency (LEA) to review county programs data and updates as needed.

6. ADR Subcommittee Update - Staci

The committee continues to meet to solidify how best Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) can assist both families and LEA's.

7. CALPADS - Staci/Susan

A reminder was shared to ensure everyone pulled their enrollment data on census day.

8. SEIS – Staci/Susan

SEIS added a new non-participation code to the system.

9. Program Specialist Updates - Program Specialists

The program specialist team shared information on upcoming trainings and conferences.

10. Alternate Dates for January Meeting - Marty

Alternative dates were put up for review due to a conflict with the January meeting date and an important conference.

5 Minutes Page 2 V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION:

11. Minutes: The Council of Directors is requested to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2024 meeting as presented.

Motion by NelLaine Kilgore and Seconded by Jason Davis to approve the minutes as presented.

Yes: All No: None Abstain: None

12. Meeting Date: The Council of Directors is requested to select and approve a new date for the January meeting, options presented.

Further discussion was needed, a date will be voted on at the November meeting.

VI. CLOSING COMMENTS FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS:

The next COD meeting will be held on November 13, 2024 at 10:00am in the Wentworth Education Center room Greenwood 3.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.g

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