

## Maryland SESAC SPECIAL EDUCATION STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## **SESAC General Meeting Minutes**

October 20, 2021 10:00am-1:00pm

In Attendance: Pamela Talley (SESAC Co-Chair), Marjorie Guldan (SESAC Co-Chair), Wendy Balda (SESAC Co-Chair), Dawn Greenberg (SESAC Co-Vice Chair), Rene Averitt-Sanzone, Leanne Carmona, Jennifer Brekke-Miles, Tyese Dillard (Tai), Emily Dow, LaShonda Scott, Lindsey Goodrich, Chiara Jaffe, Katharine Lander, Neil Lichter, Sue Rattman, Christina Spangler, Karleen Spitulnik, Tiffany Williams, Christian Miele, Vittoria Aiello, Martha Goodman, Keisha Peterson, Shaunett Mills, Sue Rattman, Jill Hill

Interagency Collaboration Branch Chief Carmen Brown, Family Support Section Chief Ken Hudock, Family Support Specialist Kelly Meissner, Secondary Transition Specialist Michele Weddle

**Welcome/Introductions/Approval of Minutes**: Carmen Brown, Interagency Branch Chief, DEI/SES, opened the meeting, moved the group through introductions, and facilitated the review and approval of the minutes from September.

**Public Comment**: Carmen Brown, DEI/SES Interagency Collaboration Branch Chief noted no one was registered to provide public comment.

**Subcommittee Overview**: Carmen Brown offered a review of the SESAC recommendations offered to the Assistant State Superintendent, Marcella E. Franczkowski, DEI/SES that resulted from last year's meetings and provided an overview of the requests for guidance and partnership from the subcommittees for this school year. All members present had an opportunity to attend each subcommittee meeting.

Breakout Sessions: Each member was provided an opportunity to cycle through each subcommittee.

- Parent Guide Subcommittee The subcommittee held discussions with each group to obtain feedback and input into draft documents providing parent guidance on participation in an IEP Team meeting. She will provide edited draft documents at a later date for further input.
- Secondary Transition Subcommittee The subcommittee held facilitated discussions regarding secondary transition throughout the State and began conversations on the development of a parent friendly booklet to support families to know what to expect from the age of 14 through exit from high school.
- Legislative Session/SECAC Subcommittee The subcommittee had focused discussions to discuss the 2022 legislative session, plan for testimony in support of special education and Governor Hogan's budget for special education, as well as to begin planning for the Joint SESAC/SECAC meeting in March.

**Adjourned from Subcommittees** 

## **Next Meeting Date**

November 17, 2020 10am-1pm

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