

## Maryland SESAC

SPECIAL EDUCATION STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## **SESAC General Meeting Minutes**

October 21, 2020 10:00am-1:00pm

Attendees: Pamela Talley(Co-Chair), Leanne Carmona (Co-Chair), Margorie Guldan (Co-Vice-Chair), Wendy Balda (Co-Vice-Chair), Emily Dow, Christian Miele, Martha Goodman, Rachel London, Tai Dillard, Jill Hill, Marlo Lemon, Kathy Schiaffino, LaShonda Scott, Melissa Surgeon, Sheila Billups, Jennifer Brekke-Miles, Karleen Spitulnik, Katharine Lander, Kathy Kaufman, Kristi Fausel, Rachel Stoyanov, Rene Averitt-Sanzone, Sally Farr, Shanna Edmond, Heather Luke, Sue Rattman, Neil Lichter, Dorie Flynn, Tiffany Williams, Dawn Greenberg, Carmen Brown, MSDE Staff to SESAC

Welcome: Pamela Talley and Leanne Carmona, SESAC Co-Chairs offered welcome and introductions for all members and guests on the call.

Public Comment: Carmen Brown, DEI/SES Interagency Collaboration Branch Chief, noted that no one registered to provide public comment at the meeting.

Subcommittee Breakout sessions: Each SESAC member self-selected a subcommittee to participate in and also has the opportunity to participate in multiple sub-committees, if interested. Public links to each subcommittee breakout session were available.

SESAC SECAC Guidance/Legislation Subcommittee: Pamela Talley and Leanne Carmona, Co-Chairs facilitated a review and update of MSDE SECAC guidance. SESAC members offered insight and input into proposed language to further inform and guide local school system practices and benefit from SECAC membership and processes. The subcommittee plans to have final recommendations for the Assistant State Superintendent no later than February, 2021.

Maryland On-Line IEP Update Subcommittee: Marge Guldan, Vice Co-Chair facilitated dialogue regarding the Maryland On-Line IEP system, predominantly focused on a parent-friendly process and print-out. SESAC members held open conversations on process, function, wishes, and opportunities. Marge created a shared document for the group to provide input and share ideas. The SESAC anticipates final recommendations for the Assistant State Superintendent no later than April, 2021.

Secondary Transition Subcommittee: Wendy Balda, Vice Co-Chair facilitated discussion with SESAC members and invited an MSDE Secondary Transition Specialist to participate to further inform their process. The team reviewed current secondary transition process, rules, and guidance, as well as implementation differences across local school systems. The team began a shared document to identify goals, process, and implementation recommendations to offer to the Assistant State Superintendent no later than May 2021.

Meeting Adjourned from Subcommittee Working Meetings: Next Meeting – November 18, 2020