

State Advisory Panel for Exceptional Children (SAPEC)
February 27th, 2020
Quest Business and Conference Center
8405 Pulsar Place, Columbus, OH 43240

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by SAPEC Chair, Ron Rogers. All members were welcomed. Ron welcomed all visitors to the meeting, acknowledged the rules regarding visitor participation and noted the evaluation sheets at every table for those attending to provide feedback.

Roll call was conducted by Sandy Kaufman, Office for Exceptional Children staff. Members absent were Valerie Alloy, Tina Evans, Jennifer Hauck, Tony Huff, Tammie Sebastian, Judith Sgambati, Melissa Ann Sowers, Gregory Taylor, Jay Williams, and Tami Wozniak-Smith.

Jo Hannah Ward was officially introduced to SAPEC members as the new Director of the Office for Exceptional Children. Jo Hannah announced that Monica Drvota is no longer interim but has officially taken on the role of Associate Director in the office. Members of the Office for Exceptional Children in attendance today; leads, notetakers, and facilitators were introduced to SAPEC members.

Panel Business

Ron asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2019 meeting. Minutes were unanimously approved.

Membership Committee Chair, Bonnie Brown gave an update on the SAPEC applications. Bonnie mentioned that we received over fifty-five applications, the pool was narrowed down to five finalists. Bonnie and Trisha have completed phone interviews with the finalists, and they will work to narrow it down to final selections. It was noted that we do still need to fill another MAL position, if anyone is interested, please send letters of interest to Parise Callahan.

No public comments or unmet needs.

Rules Process Update

Monica gave a brief update on the rules process. All rules will be presented to members today including the rules that were already seen by members in the past as there have been changes. Monica gave an overview of the day. The leads for each rule briefly discussed their rule and the changes that were made. Members were broken up into facilitated tables to discuss the rules for the remainder of the day.

Adjourn

Due to the longer day and weather, each group adjourned when they completed their facilitated table discussions on the rule revisions.