

Washington State Special Education Advisory Council

May 6, 2016

Members Present: Andres Aguirre, Megan Bale, Sarah Butcher, Shari Cotes, Lou Oma Durand, Carrie Fannin, Cheryl Fernandez, Sherry Krainick, Darci Ladwig, Kimberly Leger, Victoria McKinney, Ann Waybright

Excused Absences: Jennifer Lee, Rebecca Lockhart

OSPI Staff: Doug Gill

Topic	Discussion	Action	Who/When	Completed
Called to Order	Ann Waybright, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.			
By-law Change Consideration and Review of Annual Report Draft Language	Sherry Krainick proposed a By-law change to Article IV, Section 1, regarding the composition of the Executive Committee membership on April 15, 2016. The proposed By-law change was sent to SEAC members two weeks prior to the meeting in Spokane. Sherry introduced the proposed change and a motion was made and seconded. Discussion ensued, and the motion was amended. The amended motion passed, and Article IV, Section 1 of the By-laws was amended to include a second sentence which reads: "A minimum of one member of the Executive Committee shall be a person with a disability or a parent of a child with a disability as defined by IDEA at the time of the election."	Amend By-laws for 2016-17 school year.		
Hot Topics Report – All Members	SEAC members had the opportunity to participate in a round table discussion of issues or items of interest to other members, or the variety of groups SEAC members represent.			

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Plan Meeting Dates and Locations	<p>Various locations and dates were discussed regarding the SEAC 2016-17 meeting schedule. It was recommended that OSPI explore meeting locations in ESD 114 (Kitsap Peninsula) for the fall meeting, continue to meet in Olympia for the winter meeting, and seek a location in the North Central ESD (Wenatchee) area for the spring of 2017. Tentative dates include the week of October 10th for the fall meeting, the week of February 6th for the winter meeting, and the week of May 8th for the spring meeting.</p>	<p>OSPI to begin planning to meet recommended locations and dates.</p>		
ESSA Update	<p>Doug Gill discussed OSPI's plan to obtain input from a wide variety of stakeholders prior to OSPI's submission of a statewide consolidated plan for the reauthorization of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) in the fall of 2016. There are eleven workgroups that are making recommendations for the statewide consolidated plan team for ESSA to the U.S. Department of Education. The eleven workgroups include: the statewide accountability system; learning and teaching; student assessment; school and district improvement; effective educators; English learners; fiscal; state report card; parent and community engagement; early childhood education; and students with disabilities. The students with disabilities workgroup is facilitated by Doug and also includes three SEAC members: Ann Waybright, Sarah Butcher and Carrie Fannin.</p> <p>Doug described some of the differences between the NCLB and ESSA requirements with respect to students with disabilities. SEAC members asked clarifying questions</p>	<p>Handouts provided. Workgroup recommendations to be provided to SEAC prior to fall meeting.</p>		

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	<p>and supported the idea of having both general and specific recommendations from the students with disabilities workgroup to the statewide consolidated plan team. The general recommendations included an emphasis on embedding universal design for learning principles into all recommendations, and the specific recommendations included identifying specific multiple measures to be included in the state accountability on behalf of the students with disabilities subgroup reporting elements. The next meeting of the students with disabilities workgroup is scheduled for June 27, and Doug will share the recommendations forwarded by the workgroup to the consolidated plan team to SEAC after the workgroup has submitted the recommendations.</p>			
Evaluation of Meeting	<p>SEAC members reported enjoying the opportunity to walk to the meeting location from the hotel, the site visit opportunities, the presentations, and the opportunity for each SEAC member to openly express themselves at the meeting. Some SEAC members would appreciate more protein in the morning snacks, and encouraged OSPI staff to seek a wider variety of offerings in the future.</p>			
Adjourned	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 2:30.</p>			