

SEAC February Meeting

Meeting Minutes February 27–28

8:30–1:30
Tuesday, February 27

Open Meeting |

- Call to order – **Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Executive Chairperson**
- Land Acknowledgement – **Jen Chong Jewell, Executive Vice-Chairperson**
 - Played a video with Johnny Moses giving land acknowledgment. A slide was shared from the City of Everett Land acknowledgment. Save Our Salish Sea.
- Black History Month – **Jen Chong Jewell, Executive Vice-Chairperson**
 - Jen Chong Jewell shared a slide honoring Black Heritage Month.
 - Shared a video highlighting the vocals of Lachi – a Nigerian vocal performer who is legally blind.
- Introduction of members and welcome new members – Valerie Arnold, DCYF – **Tammie Jensen-Tabor**
 - During introductions give a visual description of yourself.
 - Say your name every time you speak.
 - Be mindful of acronyms.
- Review of agenda, [SEAC Bylaws](#), and [Group Norms](#) (final page of agenda) – **Diana Marker, Executive Member**
- Review and accept minutes from the October 2023 meeting – **Tammie Jensen-Tabor**
 - Change Claudia’s name to her full name on page seven
 - Samantha moved to accept minutes and it was seconded by Hodan.
 - Council accepted minutes and they will be published.

Debrief of the Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)/State Interagency Coordinating Councils ([SICC](#)) and Technical Assistance for Excellence in Special Education ([TAESE](#)) presentation |

Presenter – Executive Team

- Continuing to have collaboration with the SICC.
- TAESE portion of the meeting should be more interactive.
 - Tania May had a conversation with the president of TAESE who was also concerned with the way that it was presented and that there will be a change moving forward. Tania May offered to pass any information on to Norm Ames at TAESE.

Policy/Legislative Session Update |

Presenter – Tania May and David Green

- Funding
 - FFY 2024 Interactive spreadsheet
 - Required to complete annually. It is posted for a minimum of sixty days

with two public hearings for the public to comment on.

- Curious about our scholars with disabilities learning in secure facilities and access to funding. This continues to be a major barrier for our school districts delivering Institutional Education (IE). At any given time, over half of our scholars in juvenile rehabilitation have been identified as having a disability. How is this funding being made available to our IE schools? Does OSPI track IE schools accessing funding?
- There are separate funds delegated for preschool.
- David Green presented the progress of the bills in the legislative session. [Bill Tracker](#)

Workgroup Updates |

Presenters are workgroup leads

- Bridge and create Intentional Inclusion with other workgroups – **Tammie Jensen-Tabor**
- Community forum workgroup – **Melanie Ingram**
 - Met several times to go over what they want the forum to look like. They have invited some folks to participate tonight.
- Legislative workgroup – **Diana Marker**
 - Workgroup met on several occasions.
 - SB5883 Concerning burden of proof for special education due process hearings – priority.
- [EOGOAC](#)

Public Comment |

Presenter – Tammie Jensen-Tabor

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation |

Presenter – Pablo Villarreal, DVR

- Services to youth and students with disabilities.
- Pre-Employment Transitions Services and Transition (School to Work)

Community Forum plans | 12:30–1 pm

Presenter – Diana Marker

[Registration for the Community Forum is required.](#)

Melanie Ingram, Laura Staley, and Diana Marker are the workgroup that prioritize the community forums. The workgroup invited a panel of providers, students, and families with a focus on transitions. They will also host breakout groups with the intention of folks being able to choose the age group they'd like to join for small group discussions.

Adjourn 1 pm

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8:30–1:30
Wednesday, February 28

Open Meeting | 8:30–8:35 am

- Call to order – **Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Executive Chairperson**
 - Introduction of members.
- Heart centering activity – **Jen Chong Jewell, Executive Vice Chairperson**
 - **Baby Carey: Personal Sovereignty** [video](#)
 - **DDA Guiding Value: Power and Choice** [video](#)

Debrief Community Forum |

Presenter – Diana Marker, Melanie Ingram, and Laura Staley

- Panel: birth to three coordinator, parent/special education teacher, transition teacher, adult transition student
- Breakout rooms were created for grades.

SEAC May Meeting Planning |

Presenter – Executive Team

- The May meeting will focus specifically on early childhood transitions. The Center for Children and Families in Walla Walla has been secured as the location for the meeting and the forum in May.
- Annual report writing
 - Since the agenda for the May meeting is already full, we are suggesting creating a workgroup led by the executive team to include a few members to write the annual report before the May meeting.
 - Workgroup will be the Executive team, Laura Staley, Tamara Rosario, and Val Arnold
 - Annual report “template” will be sent to the workgroup no later than mid-April.

Keeping Excellent Special Educators (KESE) |

Presenters – Nick Gillon and Amy Vaughn

Updates on Inclusionary Practices & OSPI Briefing |

Presenter – Tania May

- Inclusionary Practices Technical Assistance Network



- OSPI [IPTN](#) webpage.
- Q&A on topics/information included on the OSPI Briefing

Information on the Reducing Restraint Eliminating Isolation project | Presenter – Anna Marie Dufault and Dr. Dia Jackson

Summary of Actions

Presenter – Tammie Jensen-Tabor

- ECSE - Walla Walla meeting
- Annual Report 2024
- Send 2023 annual report to members
- Locations for the SEAC 2024–25
- Send out updated IPTN slides

Adjourn 1pm