

Iowa Special Education Advisory Panel

October 10, 2014

Facilitator: Nancy Ankeny-Hunt

Panel Secretary: Mary Bartlow

Present: Ruth Allison, Carma Betz, Kurtis Broeg, Jan Collinson, Billy Jo Cowley, Margaret Joan Ebersold, Ruth Frush, Cari Higgins, Amy Liddell, Susie Lund, Larry Martin, Keri Osterhaus, Melanie Patton, Beth Rydberg, Emily Sopko, Mary Stevens, Karen Thompson, Kelly Von Lehmden, Kelly Wallace, Joel Weeks, Jason Yessak

Department Staff Present: Barb Guy, Nancy Ankeny-Hunt, Mary Bartlow

Absent: Valerie Baker, Craig Barnum, Donita Dettmer, Susan Etscheidt, Dawn Jacobsen, Ron Koch, Joseph McAbee, Sandra Smith, Stephanie Mahoney, Kathleen Van Tol, Doug Wolfe,

Guests: Thomas Mayes, Emily Thatcher

Handouts for the October 2014 meeting:

- Agenda ([LiveBinder](#))
- Minutes from September 5, 2014 meeting ([LiveBinder](#))
- Engage Handout ([LiveBinder](#))
- Engage Input ([LiveBinder](#))
- Legal – State Complaints ([LiveBinder](#))
- Legal – Mediation Process ([LiveBinder](#))
- Legal – Dispute Resolution Process Comparison ([LiveBinder](#))
- Dynamic Learning Assessment (Emily Thatcher) ([LiveBinder](#))

Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kurtis at 9:00 am.

No Public Comments

Approval of Consent Agenda (September 5, 2014)

One Correction: ASK should be included as one of the members of the communication piece. Motion made by Karen to approve with the correction, second by Jason. Motion approved.

Updates

SDI (Specially Designed Instruction): Will have data for the next meeting. Members would like something on LiveBinder that would remind them of what SDI is about and how it relates to our work.

IEP/IFSP – Have just received a copy of the final recommendations this week.

Child Find – Karen reported that we are seeing spectacular results with the process that has been developed. A final draft of the brochure is almost finished. The brochure will reflect the collaborations. Training will be a joint venture including parents as well as educators.

Input on “Engage” Work

Specially Designed Instruction: Engagement

Since all people engage differently, it is difficult to determine the desired state for engagement. Therefore, the desired outcomes for indicators of engagement were defined. See Google [document](#) for input from the panel on the proposed indicators.

Legal Updates (Thomas Mayes)

Foster care – 25% in state care have disabilities. Working to provide continuity across all the environments to improve educational results

State Complaints: We have approximately 15 complaints per year. 60% are confirmed or partially confirmed.

See [handout](#)

Mediation Process: Goal is to get the parties talking together and working on solving the problem.

See [handout](#) for statistics.

Dynamic Learning Assessment (Emily Thatcher)

Iowa Core Components

- Content (Iowa Core & Expanded Core)
- Assessment
- Instruction

Dynamic Learning Maps was developed by Kansas University and we have joined a consortium of 30 states using this. This is for students with significant cognitive disabilities. By late spring, these should be available for IEP meetings. This assessment will meet the Reading requirement for 3rd grade. Emily will be working with the PEC and PTI to develop parent products.

Announcements/Future Agenda Items:

- No meeting in November

Motion to adjourn by Ruth, seconded by Melanie. Motion approved

Next meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 9, 2015 at the Grimes State Office Building