

PASE Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2017

Members Present: Deb Berg, Kristin Clark, Crystal Delaney-French, Jeni Gushiken, Jennifer Hagemann, Kim Hare, Kathy Kransberger, Stacey Manning, Marla Schmude, Julie Scott, Becky Shooltz, Nathan Steinberg, Katie Tanner, Lisa VanZee, Suzanne Wilcox

Guests: Bill Behrendt, Derek Cooley, Sharon O'Donnoghue, Jim Polasek, Mari Price, Jann VanAirsdale

Excused: Dana Hiemstra, Sara Middlebrook, Grace Smith, Ashley Wells

I. Welcome and Announcements

There were no new members or guests today.

II. Approve Minutes of October 23, 2017

A motion was made by Nathan Steinberg to approve the minutes from October 23, 2017. Julie Scott seconded it. Motion was approved with no opposition.

III. Director's Report

- 1% Assessment – State assessment cap from federal government. The percent of students who can take the Alternate Assessment - for significant cognitive impairment. There is a decision making chart for IEP teams to follow. IEP team decision is not based on state requirement. It is a state cap, not district cap.
- ISD Plan – Up for revision. A committee from last year worked on updates. Waivers were embedded that were sent for pre-approval through MDE. Taken down to a bare bones shell. Signatures are first: Superintendents, Charter reps and PASE chair. Document contains info about: Procedural Safeguards, Surrogate Parents, Child Find, Related & Diagnostic services, TBI Team, Continuum Chart, Age Ranges, SCE and SXI program days, Waivers, Management of programs, Transportation, Act 18 funds, PASE, Appendix A – Chart of Programs. It went to directors for feedback and will go to superintendents soon.
- CEC Scholarships – MI Council for Exceptional Children will be help on March 1 and 2 at the Amway Grand downtown. Three or four parents can attend on scholarship from Kent ISD. There are strands for parents. If you want to attend, email Laurie. Great Opportunity.
- LEAP Conference – Takes place this Spring. More to come after holidays.

IV. IEP Mini Boot Camp Presentation – Laurie VanderPloeg, Director of Special Education

Topics covered: Procedural Safeguards, Preparation for IEP for parent, Discussion on drafts, Invitation purpose, IEP participants, Student profile & eligibility, Present level statements, Least restrictive setting, PLAAFP is basis for whole IEP, Goals & objectives – measurable, Progress reports, Special factors/Accommodations/Supplementary aides & services, Programs/services, Special Transportation, Extended school year, Notice page, Amendment – District rep & parent.

V. Public Comment and Closing

Safe holidays to all.