

**ESE Advisory
Pinellas County Schools
November 18th, 2010
6:15-8:00 p.m.**

Welcome/Call to Order

Committee attendance:

Cindy Bania-Carter, District	Katherine Diaz, Parent	Lisa Freeman, District	Paula Keyser, Parent	Judy Owens, Parent
Tracie Bergman, District	Ruth Dobkin, District Danielle	Bozena Gasior, Parent	John King, Parent	Vickie Shire, Community
Michele Burt, District	Eadens, District	Shandy Gregg, Parent	Sue Kress, District	Rosanne Silverman, District
Kari Buxton, Parent	Dan Eadens, District	Terri Hanley, District Cathy	Teresa Ludwig, District	Janine Smith, District
Andrea Cappelli, Parent	Colleen Eckley, Parent	Heverly, District	Filomena McDonald, District	Charles Vanover, Community
Caroline Conlon, Parent	Genieve Freeman, Parent	Clinton Kent, Parent	Julie Mitchum, District Lynne Mowatt, District	Mary Beth Varner, District Valene Winters, District

Visitor attendance

Elizabeth Engelman, Parent	Jennifer Mulry-Roth, Parent	Jeannine Welch, District	Theresa L. Mack, Community
Suzanne Lak, District	Julie Clymer, Parent	David Higgins, Community	

Review/Approval of Minutes

- Minutes were reviewed and corrections were made
- Terri H moved to approve the minutes. Minutes approved unanimously

Committee Leadership/Membership

- Elizabeth Engleman volunteered to represent parent in Deaf Hard of Hearing program
- Katherine Diaz, Co-Chairperson
- Shandy Gregg, Co-Chairperson, district
- Clinton Kent, Co-Chairperson-elect
- Valene Winters, Co-chairperson, district-elect
- Paula Keyser, Co-secretary
- Cathy Heverly, Co-secretary, district
- Committee members voted unanimously on all leadership members.

ESE Updates

IDEA Team Members

- Cindy Bania-Carter provided information regarding IDEA leadership and IDEA team members who provide support to schools
 - Each IDEA Team Leader/Supervisor supports two regions PreK-12
 - Jeannine Welch, supervisor of Low Prevalence supports center schools.
 - Low Prevalence staff work closely with schools and IDEA team leaders in regards to students with autism, intellectual disabilities, and emotional behavior disorders
 - Support and provide training to school behavior specialists
 - BED: Behavior Educational Diagnostician
 - Support schools in behavior interventions, functional behavior assessments, etc.
 - CED: Compliance Educational Diagnostician
 - Support specific schools in regards to:
 - Eligibility, ineligibility meetings
 - Mentoring teachers on properly written IEP's
 - Monitoring schools in regards to IEP services/compliance
 - Providing training to schools
 - Manifestation Review for violation of code of student conduct
 - Assist with placing students new into the district
 - Support private and charter schools
 - Lynn Mowatt, supervisor of Compliance, develops district policy, processes and procedures as it relates to IDEA and State Board Rule.
 - Supports district staff, schools and families in regards to the implementation of IDEA
 - Compliance Resource Teacher
 - Support department in regards to:
 - Changes in State Board Rule
 - PEER IEP (State Computerized IEP)
 - Handbook development
 - Training
 - Mediation
 - Due Process Hearings
 - Parent Support/Assistance
 - AED: Academic Educational Diagnostician
 - Support schools in regards to academic materials and curriculum
 - Look at assessment data to determine academic needs

- Rtl
 - Required for most ESE eligibilities
 - Required in School Improvement Plans
 - Required with Differentiated Instruction Plan
- Additional Staff
 - Cindy discussed other programs that support students with disabilities
 - Florida Inclusion Network
 - Extended Transition
 - Gifted
 - Hospital Homebound
 - PreK
 - Sensory
 - OT/PT
 - FDLRS

Unit Adjustments:

- Done four times a year
 - After October FTE the following schools needed more EBD support
 - Pinellas Park Middle School
 - Tyrone Middle School
 - Morgan Fitzgerald Middle School
 - Took a unit from the EBD center

Transition:

- Starts in PreK and ends when a student leaves
- Current emphasis on Extended Transition
 - Age 18-22
 - Assessment piece on students interest
 - The district contracts with Abilities to provide an evaluation on a students potential and skill in the workforce
 - Alternative Programs
 - Voc Rehab
 - Ticket to Work
 - Terry Mack mentioned using non-profits
 - Abilities
 - High School/High Tech
 - Judy Owens shared information regarding Job Corp programs
 - Current worksites for Pinellas County Schools ET
 - Café at Coachman
 - Creative Clay
 - Bay Pines Hospital
 - Don Cesar
 - Café at Clearwater
 - Project Sting Ray at USF
 - Sanders Extended Transition Program
 - Landscaping
 - Customer Service
 - Child Care
 - Recreational
 - Looking to start a hydroponics program
 - Looking to develop a site at Jabil for ASD students
 - CARD has provided training to Jabil employees
 - In the process of developing a program with a business in North Pinellas County
 - Extended Transition is developing an Interagency and business advisory committee

Agenda topics for January:

- Transition
- Grant Projects
- IDEA Grant
- Peer Support

Next Meeting Dates:

1/13/11 (General meeting) B213

4/21/11 (General meeting) E111

Time: 6:15-8:00

Location: Largo Administration Building