Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

IDEA B State Advisory Panel

Francis Tuttle Technology Center – 12777 N. Rockwell Avenue – Oklahoma City, OK 73142

1:00 PM- 4:00 PM

Thursday, September 6, 2018

Present:

Aaron Bullock, Sharon Baker, JoAnne Blades, Jamie Brock, Penny Cantley, Sherri Coats, Malissa Cook, Sky Collins, Melinda Fruendt, Cindy Gould, Larry Hawkins, Marsha Herron, Lynn Hodge, Tara Hood, Linda Jaco, Tiffany Jenkins, Michelle Koehn, Jamie Lahey, Sharon Long, Cassie Lynch, Kylie Lyons, Bonnie McBride, Jennifer Robinson, Michele Scott, Terry Spigner, Lynette Thompson, and Ann Trudgeon.

Absent:

Alicia Blair, Kathy Brown, Latisha Coats, Kaylin Coody, Malarie Deardorff, Heather Hancock, Katy Hewin, Terry Hood, Jordan House, Tina Kaminski, Michelle Keiper, Andrea Kunkel, Becky Moore, Janice Morris, Sanya Parsons, Ashley Rhoades, Ashlee Robson, Julie Sanders, Mandy Seward, Jaci Tolbert, Noel Tyler, Lori Wathen, Linda Whaley, and Lori Wieder.

State Department Employees

Chrystal Ellis and Todd Loftin

Todd Loftin (OSDE): Welcome

Todd Loftin called the meeting to order at 9:11 AM. Mr. Loftin also introduced new and current members.

Marsha Herron: Introduction of Shauna Crane (TAESE)

Marsha Herron introduced Shauna Crane of Technical Assistance for Excellence in Special Education (TAESE). Shauna then gave an orientation presentation to new and current members that focused on the following topics 1) purpose of the panel, 2) history of special education, 3) membership and organization, 4) role of the council, 5) panel function, 6) by-laws and procedures, 7) panel priorities, 8) annual report, and 9) collaboration with Part C.

Todd Loftin (OSDE): OSDE Updates

Differentiated Monitoring Results

Todd Loftin discussed the differentiated monitoring results. Mr. Loftin explained that the Oklahoma State Department of Education – Special Education Services department identifies a differentiated monitoring result (DMR) for each LEA in Oklahoma based on an assessment of risk and the district's determination rating.

Mr. Loftin also noted that it is important to understand that the assessment of risk gauges the risk any LEA poses to the SEA in fiscal and other matters. While the determination rating is based on the quality of the LEA's compliance and performance indicator data. The DMR initiates a series of integrated monitoring and improvement activities required to be completed by the LEA. These activities correspond with a "level of support" that the Oklahoma State Department of Education – Special Education Department determines is necessary for the LEA to meet requirements and mitigate risk in subsequent years.

New Corrective Action Plan (CAP) Template

A new Corrective Action Plan Template (CAP) has been developed. It requires local school boards to sign assurance statements and CAPs issued through complaints or the differentiated monitoring process.

Staff Changes

The department has hired two new monitoring coordinators; they are Felica Denton and Cheryl Revolinski. The department is also hiring for a new program specialist.

With the new hires, the department is now structured into the following teams: 1) Programs, Monitoring and Compliance, 2) Data and Reporting, 3) Finance, 4) Division Support, 5) SPDG/OTISS, 6) OAAP, and 7) Professional Development.

Current Projects

Special Education Services is currently working on the following projects: 1) updating the evaluation and eligibility handbook 2) developing paraprofessional training to reflect core areas such as instruction and academics, 3) statewide dyslexia training and 4) statewide autism training.

Various trainings (finance, monitoring, and data) within the coming weeks. All dates have been posted on our website and all are welcome to attend.

Professional Development

The OSDE Updates part of the presentation concluded by reminding panel members that all districts can request professional development from the department by completing the professional development request form located on our website under professional development.

Todd Loftin (OSDE): Meeting Dates/Location

The next IDEA B Panel meeting is December 6, 2018 in Sapulpa, Oklahoma at Central Technology Center.

Todd Loftin (OSDE): Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded, meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.