



Michigan's Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting Minutes for November 3, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Zoom Regular Business Meeting

Minutes

Call to Order

Sarah Vander Baan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Kim Love moved, seconded by Andrea Beachnau that the SEAC approves the October 7, 2021 meeting minutes. A vote was taken on the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Proposed Agenda

Stacie Rulison moved, seconded by Andrea Beachnau that the SEAC approves the November 3, 2021 meeting agenda. A vote was taken on the motion. Motion carried.

Chairperson's Report by Sarah Vander Baan

Ms. Vander Baan highlighted the norms of the group and then introduced six member organizations of the SEAC. Today's focus will be on the Michigan Legislature and Due Process in special education.

Ms. Teri Pettit (facilitator) announced a new opportunity in the form of a Member-At-Large Town Hall meeting to take place before regularly scheduled business meetings to begin in December. Ms. Pettit additionally noted the purpose and outcomes of the meeting including functions 2, 5, and 6.

Understanding Michigan Legislature by Dr. Sheryl Kennedy, Legislative Liaison, Michigan Department of Education

Dr. Kennedy provided an overview of Michigan's Legislature, including the 2021-22 Michigan Citizen's Guide to State Government. She also shared information regarding improving advisory efforts.



Office of Special Education (OSE) Update by Teri Rink, Director, OSE

Ms. Rink provided an introduction to the work of SEAC in the context of Michigan's history, including:

- Michigan's Administrative Rules for Special Education
- 13 Eligibility Categories
- Advise vs. Advocate

Ms. Rink also provided an update on the Differentiated Framework of Supports offered by the OSE:

- Universal supports
- Directed supports
- Targeted supports
- Intensive supports

Due Process by Rebecca McIntyre, Supervisor, OSE

Ms. McIntyre shared due process information line data and then presented a case decision and order to the SEAC. SEAC reviewed the highlights and went into breakout sessions to ask for clarifications and to discuss/document any emerging unmet needs.

Introducing Michigan's Teacher of the Year (MTOY) Leah Porter

Ms. Porter introduced herself to the SEAC and provided both professional and personal information to the committee.

Committee Reports by Alyssa Wirth and Stacie Rulison

Ms. Wirth shared information regarding the Web/Tech Committee supports that will be offered this year.

Ms. Rulison shared the need for members on the Operating Procedures Committee to participate in ongoing work.



Sharing & Wrap-Up by Sarah Vander Baan

December Forecast – Wednesday, December 1 meeting

- Priority 1 work

Delegates – contact your alternate if you cannot be present

Complete the survey – it matters, we listen!

SCECHs link in chat box

Adjourned

Lois Lofton Doniver moved, seconded by Eileen Brandt that the SEAC business meeting be adjourned at 11:48 AM. A vote was taken on the motion. Motion carried.

Attendance

Attendance code: A = Absent, AA = Alternate Attended, E = Left Early, F = Family Issue, H = Health, J = Job Conflict, N = absent no reason, O = Other, P = Present, T = Telephone, V = Visitor, W = Weather

**Defined member

Delegate	Organization/Agency	Code(s) 11/3/21
Beachnau, Andrea**	Arc Michigan, The	P
Brandt, Eileen**	Michigan Transition Services Association (MTSA)	P
Bush, Candi	Michigan Council for Exceptional Children (MCEC)	P
Diepstra, Stephene**	Michigan Association of School Social Workers (MASSW)	P
Hollerith, Charlie**	Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals (MASSP)	A-AA
Krause, Kathy	Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools (MANS)	P
Martin, Lakeya**	Student Advocacy Center of Michigan (SAC)	A-AA



Delegate	Organization/Agency	Code(s) 11/3/21
Mills, Katherine**	Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan (DSAWM)	P
Moore, Kathleen	Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB)	P
Nettleton, Angela	Michigan Association of Superintendents and Administrators (MASA)	A-N
Pegg, Robin	Michigan Occupational Therapy Association (MiOTA)	A-N
Richter, Theresa**	Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA)	P
Rulison, Stacie**	Michigan Alliance for Families (MAF)	P
Schindler, Meredith	Learning Disability Association of Michigan (LDAM)	A-N
Smith, Brett	Michigan Education Association (MEA)	P
Smith, Matthew	Michigan Association of School Psychologists (MASP)	P
TBA	American Federation of Teachers Michigan (AFT)	A
TBA	Michigan Association of Supervision & Curriculum Development (ASCD)	A
Thelen, Cassie**	Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association (MEMSPA)	P
Upton, Jennifer**	Autism Society of Michigan (ASM)	A-N
Vander Baan, Sarah	Michigan Association of Public School Academies (MAPSA)	P
Winslow, Sarah**	Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education (MAASE)	P
Wirth, Alyssa	Michigan Speech Language Hearing Association (MSHA)	P



Member at Large	Membership	Code(s) 11/3/21
Eckner, Heather**	Defined	P
Herman, Kimberly**	Defined	P
Kohler, Beth	Non-Defined	P
Love, Kimberly	Non-Defined	P
Martinez, Victoria**	Defined	P
Melton, Tonya**	Defined	A
TBA**	Defined	A
TBA**	Reserve Defined	A
Van Neste, Cindy	Reserve Non-Defined	P
Ward, Toby	Defined	P
Willard, Erica**	Defined	P

Ex-Officio	Organization/Agency	Code(s) 11/3/21
Bodell, Belle	Michigan Department of Corrections	P
George, Pamela	Michigan Educator Preparation Institutions	P
Hirst, Jennifer	Michigan Department of Health & Human Services – Michigan Rehabilitation Services	P
Porter, Leah	Michigan Teacher of the Year (MTOY), Office of Educator Excellence	P
Rink, Teri, Ed.S.	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education	P
Rossi, Ann	Michigan Department of Health & Human Services - Education & Youth Services, Child Welfare Policy & Programs	A-N



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Simms, Michelle	Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Directors (CMTED)	P
Thomas, James, Dr.**	Michigan Department of Health & Human Services – Juvenile Justice	A-AA
Timbs, Janet	Michigan Department of Education - Early On	P
Wasacz, Lisa	Michigan Department of Education - 619 Preschool Education	P
Williams, Michelle	Michigan Department of Education, Office of Educational Supports, Special Populations Unit, McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Program	A-N

Alternate	Organization/Agency	Code(s) 11/3/21
Charbeneau, Katie	Michigan Association of School Psychologists (MASP)	A
Coles-White, D'Jaris	Michigan Speech Language Hearing Association (MSHA)	A
Dill, Amanda**	Michigan Association of School Social Workers (MASSW)	A
Fines, Carrie	Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals (MASSP)	P
Gabel, Susan, Ed.D.**	Michigan Educator Preparation Institutions	P
Gates, Adrienne	Michigan Department of Corrections	A
Harper, Kenya**	Michigan Alliance for Families (MAF)	P
Hart, Cara**	Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA)	P
Houde, Debra	Learning Disability Association of Michigan (LDAM)	A



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Krefeld-Freier, Krista	Michigan Transition Services Association (MTSA)	P
Kuipers, Mark	Michigan Department of Education - 619 Preschool Education	P
Littleton, Kanika**	Arc Michigan, The	P
Lofton-Doniver, Lois	American Federation of Teachers Michigan (AFT)	P
McIntyre, Rebecca	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education	P
Mileski, Terri, Dr.	Michigan Department of Health & Human Services – Juvenile Justice	P
Murphy-Smith, Ben	Student Advocacy Center of Michigan (SAC)	P
Myers, Don	Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB)	A
O'Connor, Colleen	Michigan Department of Education - Early On	P
Patel, Shailee**	Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education (MAASE)	P
Poirer, Heather	Michigan Education Association (MEA)	A
Primus, Kim	Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools (MANS)	A
Riley, Scott	Michigan Association of Superintendents and Administrators (MASA)	A
Robie, Shalika	Michigan Council for Exceptional Children (MCEC)	A
Sharp, Christina	Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Directors (CMTED)	A
Sladewski, Anne-Marie	Michigan Association of Supervision & Curriculum Development (ASCD)	A



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Spanski, Nancy**	Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan (DSAWM)	P
TBA	Autism Society of Michigan (ASM)	A
TBA	Michigan Department of Health & Human Services - Education & Youth Services, Child Welfare Policy & Programs	A
TBA	Michigan Department of Health & Human Services – Michigan Rehabilitation Services	A
TBA	Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association (MEMSPA)	A
TBA	Michigan Teacher of the Year (MTOY), Office of Educator Excellence	A
Tibbs, Karen	Michigan Occupational Therapy Association (MiOTA)	P
White, Christopher, Dr.	Michigan Association of Public School Academies (MAPSA)	P

OSE Support	Organization/Agency	Code(s) 11/3/21
Darling, Aaron (Tech support)	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	P
Pettit, Teri, Ed. S. (Facilitator)	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	P
Reed, Ashley (SCECH, Reimbursement)	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	P



Visitors	Organization/Agency	Code(s) 11/3/21
Driscoll, Michelle	Michigan Alliance for Families (MAF)	P
Cienki, Becky	Michigan Health Endowment Fund	P