



**Michigan's Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)**  
**Meeting Minutes for February 3 and February 17, 2021**  
**Wednesday, February 3, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

Zoom Business Meeting

Minutes

Call to Order

Dr. Donna Case called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Proposed Agenda

Justin Caine moved, seconded by Candi Bush, that the SEAC approves the amended December 2, 2020 meeting agenda. A vote was taken on the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Justin Caine moved, seconded by Candi Bush, that the SEAC approves the amended December 2, 2020 meeting minutes. A vote was taken on the motion. Motion carried.

Chairperson's Report by Dr. Donna Case

Dr. Case noted the purpose and outcomes of the meeting today, including four of the main functions of the SEAC. She also highlighted this month's featured members of SEAC.

Office of Special Education Update by Teri Rink

Teri Rink, Office of Special Education Director, provided a brief update on:

- Federal
  - Presidential transition implications
  - Miguel Cardona, Education Secretary Nominee
- Michigan Department of Education
  - Return to Learn Legislation
  - Waiver Options
  - Michigan Administrative Rules for Special Education (MARSE)
- Office of Special Education (OSE)



- Data Collection: B-13 (Secondary Transition)
- State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR)
- State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP)
  - SSIP to be submitted by April 1
  - Impact of Pandemic

### Dispute Resolution Data Trends Update by OSE Supervisor, Rebecca McIntyre

Rebecca shared data and charts presenting the:

- December 2020 Information Line Data
- Facilitation and Mediation Trends
- State Complaint Data Comparisons and Trends
- Due Process Hearings Report
- Dispute Resolution Activities
- Technical Assistance Guidance

### Reports from Sub-Committees

- Ad Hoc – Donna Case
- Legislative – Charlie Hollerith & Nichole Moore
- Membership – Kara Tiethof & Sarah Vander Baan
- Mission – Sara Park (vote on mission statement amendments)
- Operating Procedures – LaKeya Martin & Donna Case
- OSEP State Advisory Panel – Teri Pettit
- Web/Tech – Justin Caine & Chandra Madafferi

### Priority 1 Group Recommendations Activity by Teri Pettit

Teri Pettit, SEAC facilitator, outlined the group activity and work to be done around recommendations from the SEAC.

### Sharing & Wrap-Up by Dr. Donna Case

February SPP/APR Target Setting – Wednesday, February 17



March Forecast – Send address to [pettitt4@michigan.gov](mailto:pettitt4@michigan.gov) for Grab `n Know  
OSE Grant-Funded Initiatives and other OSE Supports  
Survey – Today’s Meeting, Tech Support  
Vote for Mission Statement unanimously approved

### Adjourn

Justin Caine moved, seconded by Kathy Krause, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 11:51 a.m.

## **Wednesday, February 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

Zoom SPP/APR Target Setting Meeting

### Minutes

#### Call to Order

Dr. Donna Case called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### Purpose and Expected Outcomes

The SPP consists of 17 performance indicators that measure the state’s progress. Targets for the results indicators are determined by the MDE Office of Special Education (OSE) with input from the SEAC and other stakeholder groups. In order to provide helpful input into the target setting process, SEAC members must have an understanding of indicators for which targets are to be set.

#### Indicator 3

- Statewide Assessment (results indicator) Participation and performance of students with an IEP on statewide assessments
- Three New Proficiency Measures Proposed for Federal Reporting
  - Alternate Test Proficiency Rate for Students with IEPs
    - Summary: Evidence-Informed Strategies
    - Targets Based on Within State History & Trends
    - 4th Grade



- ELA: After six years, target of 75.5 percent but scores could be as low as 60.8 percent
- Math: After six years, target of 53.9 percent but scores as low as 49.0 percent
- 8th Grade
  - ELA: target of 78 percent, but scores as low as 69.5 percent
  - Math: target of 56.2 percent, but scores as low as 51.9 percent
- High School
  - ELA: target of 72.5 percent, but scores as low as 61.0 percent
  - Math: targets of 58.7 percent but scores as low as 51.7 percent
- General Test Proficiency Rate for Students with IEPs
  - Summary: Evidence-based Strategies
  - Targets based on district performance ranges (e.g., Top Third Districts)
  - 4th Grade
    - ELA: after six years, targets range from 16.2 percent to 21.7 percent
    - Math: after six years, targets range from 15.4 percent to 20.5 percent
  - 8th Grade
    - ELA: targets range from 23.1 percent to 31.0 percent
    - Math: targets range from 7.4 percent to 12.5 percent
  - High School
    - ELA: targets range from 13.6 percent to 17.9 percent
    - Math: targets range from 4.9 percent to 11.1 percent



- Special Education Gap in Proficiency Rates on General Test Compared to Overall Proficiency Rate for All Students
  - Summary: Evidence-based Strategies
  - Targets based on district performance ranges (e.g., Top Third Districts)
  - 4th Grade
    - ELA: after six years, targets range from 23.5 percent to 17.1 percent
    - Math: after six years, targets range from 17.0 percent to 10.3 percent
  - 8th Grade
    - ELA: targets range from 31.9 percent to 26.3 percent
    - Math: targets range from 18.2 percent to 10.1 percent
  - High School
    - ELA: targets range from 39.0 percent to 31.9 percent
    - Math: targets range from 20.3 percent to 12.0 percent

### Improvement Strategies

- The SEAC membership was divided into breakout rooms to discuss the presentation, proposed targets, and document improvement strategies.
- The group as a whole reconvened and discussed/identified trends, provided feedback to the presentation team, and asked questions.

### Questions, Comments, and Wrap Up

- The indicator team fielded questions from SEAC, and those that could not be clarified and answered today will receive written responses.
- The Parking Lot was offered as an additional space to provide comments and feedback.



- A survey was sent to members to complete for additional comments and feedback on proposed targets.

## **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

<b>Delegate</b>	<b>Organization/Agency</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/3/21</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/17/21</b>
Beachnau, Andrea**	The Arc Michigan	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Brandt, Eileen**	Michigan Transition Services Assn. (MTSA)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Bush, Candi	Michigan Council for Exceptional Children (MCEC)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Case, Dr. Donna**	Michigan Occupational Therapy Assn. (MiOTA)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Diepstra, Stephene**	Michigan Association of School Social Workers (MASSW)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Finnigan, Mary**	Michigan Association of Superintendents and Administrators (MASA)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Gibson, Rebecca**	American Federation of Teachers (AFT)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Headley- Nordman, Jennifer	Michigan Association of School Psychologists (MASP)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Hollerith, Charlie**	Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals (MASSP)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-AA</b>
Kadish, Deborah	Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA)	<b>A-N</b>	<b>A-N</b>



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Krause, Kathy	Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools (MANS)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Kuipers, Mark	Michigan Department of Education - 619 Preschool Education	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Madafferi, Chandra**	Michigan Education Association (MEA)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Martin, LaKeya**	Student Advocacy Center of Michigan (SAC)	<b>A-AA</b>	<b>P</b>
Mills, Katherine**	Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan (DSAWM)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Moore, Kathleen	Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB)	<b>A-AA</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Moore, Nichole	Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education (MAASE)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Reich, Tammy**	Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association (MEMSPA)	<b>A-AA</b>	<b>P</b>
Rulison, Stacie	Michigan Alliance for Families (MAF)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Schindler, Meredith	Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan (LDA)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Trahey, Amy**	Autism Society of Michigan (ASM)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Vander Baan, Sarah	Michigan Association of Public School Academies (MAPSA)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-AA</b>
Wirth (Webster), Alyssa	Michigan Speech Language and Hearing Association (MSHA)	<b>A-N</b>	<b>P</b>



<b>Member at Large</b>	<b>Organization/Agency</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/3/21</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/17/21</b>
Barna, Anne**	Member at Large	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Caine, Justin**	Member at Large	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
DeGroat, Xavier	Member at Large	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Kohler, Beth**	Member at Large	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Kukulski, Joseph	Member at Large	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Love, Kimberly	Member at Large	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Skibbe, Lori**	Member at Large	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Tiethof, Kara**	Member at Large	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>
Willard, Erica	Member at Large	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>

<b>Ex-Officio</b>	<b>Organization/Agency</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/3/21</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/17/21</b>
Bodell, Belle	Michigan Department of Corrections	<b>A-AA</b>	<b>A-AA</b>
Bondono, Owen	Michigan Teacher of the Year	<b>A-O</b>	<b>A-N</b>
DeWildt, Dr. Christine	Michigan Educator Preparation Institutions	<b>A-N</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Hirst, Jennifer	Michigan DHHS, Rehabilitation Services (MRS)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Isaac, Melissa	Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Directors (CMTED)	<b>A-N</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Kelty, Noel	Michigan Department of Education - Early On	<b>A-AA</b>	<b>A-AA</b>
Orris, Sarah	Michigan Department of Education, Office of Educational Supports, McKinney-Vento	<b>P</b>	<b>A-N</b>
Rink, Teri	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Rossi, Ann	Michigan DHHS, Education & Youth Services	<b>P</b>	<b>A-N</b>





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Thomas, Dr. James**	Michigan DHHS Juvenile Justice	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>

<b>Alternate</b>	<b>Organization/Agency</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/3/21</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/17/21</b>
Brown, Bill**	MI Assn. of Intermediate School Administrators (MAISA)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Carpenter, Anne**	Autism Society of MI (ASM)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Coles-White, D'Jaris	MI Speech, Language and Hearing Association (MSHA)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Dill, Amanda**	MI Assn. of School Social Workers (MASSW)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Fines, Carrie	MI Assn. of Secondary School Principals (MASSP)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Gates, Adrienne	Michigan Department of Corrections	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Harper-Black, Kenya	MI Alliance for Families (MAF)	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Houde, Debra**	Learning Disabilities Assn. of MI (LDA)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Krefeld-Freier, Krista	MI Transition Services Assn. (MTSA)	<b>P</b>	<b>A-H</b>
Lamb, Katie**	MI Assn. of School Psychologists (MASP)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Littleton, Kanika**	The Arc MI	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Lofton-Doniver, Lois	American Federation of Teachers (AFT)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Matthews, Kirsten**	MI Occupational Therapy Assn. (MiOTA)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>



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McIntyre, Rebecca	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Mileski, Dr. Terri	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Juvenile Justice	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Miller, Dr. Sandy	Michigan Educator Preparation Institutions	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Murphy-Smith, Ben**	Student Advocacy Center of Michigan (SAC)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Myers, Don	Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB)	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
O'Connor, Colleen	Michigan Department of Education - Early On	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Park, Sara	N/A	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Poirier, Heather	Michigan Education Association (MEA)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Prewitt, Blake	Michigan Association of Superintendents and Administrators (MASA)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Primus, Kim	Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools (MANS)	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Robie, Shalika	Michigan Council for Exceptional Children (MCEC)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Sharp, Christina	Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Directors (CMTED)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Shinsky, Cindy	Michigan Association of Public School Academies (MAPSA)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Sladewski, Anne-Marie	Michigan Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD)	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Spanski, Nancy**	Down Syndrome Association of West Michigan (DSAWM)	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>



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Thelen, Cassie**	Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association (MEMSPA)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Van Neste, Cindy	Member at Large (Reserve)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Vander Galien, Shantel	Michigan Teacher of the Year (MTOY)	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Williams, Michelle	Michigan Department of Education - McKinney-Vento	<b>A</b>	<b>A</b>
Winslow, Sarah**	Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education (MAASE)	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>

<b>OSE Support</b>	<b>Organization/Agency</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/3/21</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/17/21</b>
Brady, Jessica	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>
Cullum, Jerry	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>
Darling, Aaron (Tech support)	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
O'Brien, Marcia	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>
Pettit, Teri (Facilitator)	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Reed, Ashley (SCECH, Reimbursement)	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Trevino, Julie	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>



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Wasacz, Lisa	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Great Start	<b>P</b>	<b>P</b>
Weckstein, Jan	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>

<b>Visitors</b>	<b>Organization/Agency</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/3/21</b>	<b>Code(s) 2/17/21</b>
Andrejack, John	Michigan Department of Education - Office of Special Education (OSE)	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Bodiya, Paul	Macomb ISD Chief Financial Officer	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Driscoll, Michelle	Michigan Alliance for Families	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Goodman, Steve	Director of Michigan's MTSS Support Center	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>
Jaquith, John	Office of Standards and Assessment, Test Development Manager	<b>A</b>	<b>P</b>
Zivsak, Michael	Ingham County School Social Worker	<b>P</b>	<b>A</b>