

AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC) MINUTES

Date: September 21, 2021 Location: Held Via Zoom

WELCOME: The meeting began at 6:05 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were two public comments at this meeting regarding Special Olympics, Evaluations, Virtual Learning.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Meeting minutes for June 2021 and for August 2021 were reviewed and approved.

VIRTUAL SCHOOL UPDATE

- Mr. Rodolfo Rodriguez updated the committee on Virtual Learning. The District reviewed the virtual learning calendar, how students are grouped, and services that are being provided.
- Questions were raised around the teacher and parent communication with virtual learning.

IEP MONITORING AND PROGRESS REPORTS

- Dr. Jennifer Baker reviewed a sample progress report that the District will be using. The District talked through the form and reviewed the training they are providing.
- Ms. Lantu explained the current process that is in place for campus staff.
- Dr. Dessynie Edwards shared that the District is in the process of updating the 6 and 9-week progress report guidance in student IEPs.
- The District is holding audits that will hold campuses accountable for progress monitoring.

SPECIAL EDUCATION UPDATES

- The District discussed compensatory services and reminded families about ensuring all students receive services.
- The District shared on Parent University being combined event with the Academics Team.
- The District shared that staff will be walking and connecting with campuses.
- The District shared about Saturday Testing being available and are moving quickly each weekend.
- Dr. Theresa Arocha-Gill shared she has a new Executive Assistant, Ms. Lisa Shrewsberry.

MEMBER QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

 Questions were raised around Special Olympics, Special Education District staffing, and ensuring that the District is receiving SEAC applications.

CLOSING: The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.