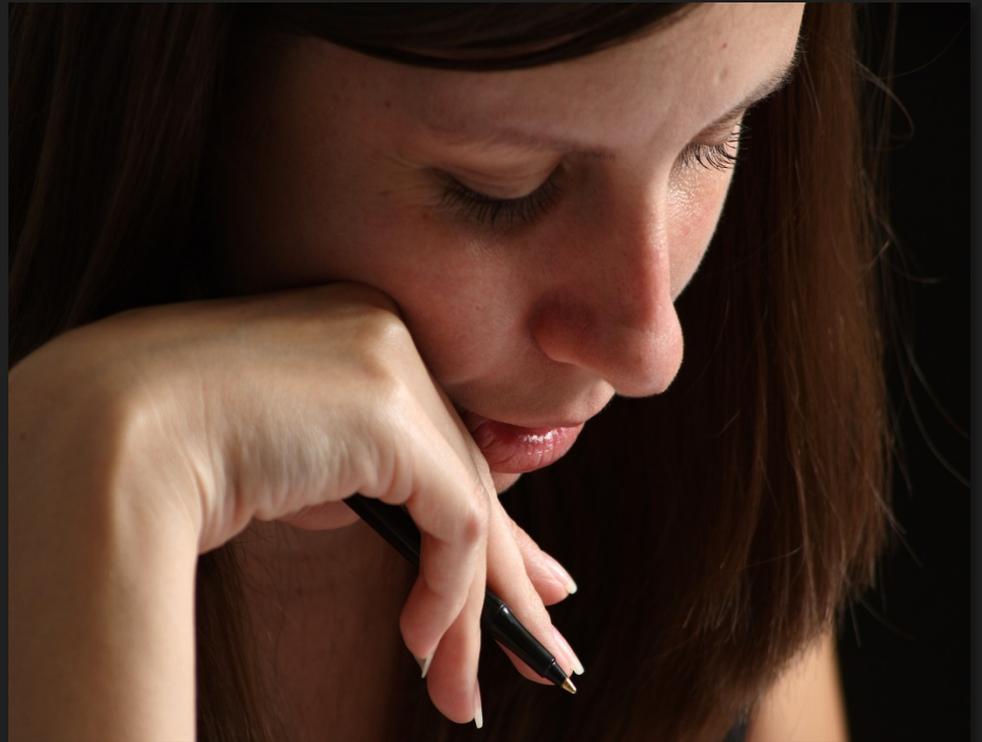


**Education Committee
October 2014
Council Meeting**

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Priorities

- **Education Committee Long Term Goal**
 - ✓ **Advocate for programs, policies, or practices that improve education for students with disabilities**
- **Education Committee Duties**
 - ✓ **Meet federally mandated requirements as Alaska's Special Education Advisory Panel under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act**
 - ✓ **Govern the Special Education Service Agency (SESA)**

Short Term Goals 2014-15

7.1.1 Research and advocate for services, programs, or regulation changes that will improve the scope, delivery, and effectiveness of post-school transition

7.1.2 Increase the graduation rate for students with disabilities

7.1.3 Research suspension and expulsion rates of students with disabilities



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7.1.4 Research the use by parents of procedural safeguards and parental rights, in particular due process rights

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Groups, Meetings, and Trainings We Have Participated in since April



- Council Workgroup on FASD
- State FASD Partnership Steering Committee
 - LEND Family Advisory Board
- State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) Stakeholders Group
 - State Board of Education
- Teaching and Learning Support Institute
- Anchorage Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

Activities Since April

- Working with Employment Committee on developing a Discovery-centered career exploration/transition planning curriculum to be piloted in 4 school districts (Anchorage, Fairbanks, Mat-Su, Nome).
- Started research on suspension and expulsion rates.
- Gave comments to the Dept of Ed on *Challenging Coursework and Student Assessment*.
- Reviewed Stone Soup Group's *Special Education Parent Handbook*.
- Spread the word on the repeal of the HSGQE and how to get a diploma.

HB 210 “Safe Student Act” signed into law



Thank you

