



GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

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**Education Committee
Draft Agenda
Thursday, May 26, 2011
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

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2:00 Roll Call: Lenny DiPaolo, recorder

Voting members:, Anna Attla, Julie Broyles, Don Enoch, Taylor Gregg, Heidi Haas, Ernie Manzie, Justine Sheehan, Donna Swihart, Tonja Updike, and Fred Villa.

Community members, Staff and Guests: Art Arnold, Geri Benshoof, Belinda Burns, Janean Butler, Heidi Frost, Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus, Kay Holmes, Hettie Hume, Karen Jenkins, Terese Kashi, Deborah Kitelinger, Dean Konopasek, Barbara Murray, Patrick Pillai, Christie Reinhardt, and guests. *Staff:* Teresa Holt, Jennifer Jones

2:05 Welcome from the Chair-Julie Broyles

- Announcements and Good News

2:10 Election of new chair and voting members – Julie Broyles

2:25 Approval of Agenda and Approval of past minutes-Julie Broyles

- Agenda
- Minutes from April 12, 2011

2:30 Correspondence- Teresa Holt/Jennifer Jones

- FERPA Regulations
- Approve comments for State Board of Education on the HSGQE

2:40 Council Priorities-Teresa Holt/Jennifer Jones

- Review of approved committee priorities
- Develop work plan activities for 2011/12

Approved Priorities

1. Advocate for alternative routes for students with disabilities to pass the high school graduation examination or receive a diploma
2. Advocate for a change in the funding formula for SESA and to remove the sunset clause

3. Advocate for programs to increase the special education workforce with Alaskans (grow your own)
4. Advocate for training for regular education staff (teachers, administrators, etc) on special education and Section 504
5. Advocate for data collection and to increase awareness of restraint and seclusion of students in schools in Alaska.

3:05 Report from State Board of EED-Geri Benshoof

3:10 Report from SESA-Patrick Pillai

3:15 Report from DEED –Sam Jordon

3:20 Important Future Meetings/Conferences/Trainings-Julie Broyles

- Suggestions for conferences/trainings for next year
 - OSEP: Aug? 2011 in Washington DC
 - National Transition Conference: November 7-9 2011 in Washington
 - TASH: November 30 – Dec 3 2011 in Atlanta
 - CEC: April 11-14 in Denver, CO
 - ACRES: March 2012 in ?

3:25 Next Meeting- Julie Broyles

- June and August, 2011 at 2:00 pm

Creating Change That Improves the Lives of People with Disabilities