

**GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL
EDUCATION**

Education Committee

LOCATION

**Governor's Council Conference Room
3601 C Street
Anchorage, Alaska
Teleconference**

Meeting Date

June 18, 2015

1:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Taylor Gregg – chair
Margaret Kossler
Cassidy Jones
Jill Burkert
Terese Kashi
Sara Emmal
Jim Kreatschman
Fred Villa
Sam Jordan
Adrienne Thomas

Staff:

Christie Reinhardt
Brittney Howell
Rich Sanders

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CALL TO ORDER – 1:30 p.m.
ROLL CALL

Welcome

Christie Reinhardt welcomed the committee members to the meeting.

Announcements and Good News

There were no announcements or good news reported.

Approval of Agenda and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Due to the lack of a quorum, the agenda was not approved.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Due to the lack of a quorum, the approval of the minutes from the May meeting was tabled.

Correspondence

Christie Reinhardt reported that the Americans with Disabilities Act is celebrating their 25th anniversary with an essay contest, and Alaskans are invited to submit an essay, video, or image answering the question how has the Americans with Disabilities Act affected your life in the area of employment, inclusion, or education. The contest deadline is July 1st, 2015. They are offering a \$350 grand prize and \$150 honorable mention award.

Reports

Chair's Report

There was no chair report available at the meeting.

SESA

There was no report for SESA available at the meeting.

EED

Cassidy Jones reported the following Department activities:

Meeting and trainings:

- Attended Governor's Council's EIC Committee, Education Committee, Autism Committee, DD Committee meetings.
- Attended AIEI Policy and Regulations meeting.
- Attended Part C and OSEP in regards to MOA and APR reporting.
- Scheduled SSIP training in Florida.

Other activities:

- Special education federal audits are ongoing.
- New monitoring process with Anchorage, planning with Mat-Su, and pending Fairbanks
- They are now entering Phase II of the SSIP, and they have begun the documentation relating to that.
- The Department's website update is pending release.
- The supplemental workbook has been distributed to all the districts and is due back July 15th.
- The GAINS grant extension for applying for a no-cost extension has been approved. They are rewriting the grant for next year this summer.
- They will be starting the review of the submissions for the Assurance Project, Child Find, and specific learning disability criteria.
- Planning continues for the directors training this fall.
- Researching new monitoring software.

Cassidy Jones reported the fall monitoring schedule is as follows:

Anchorage
Bering Strait
Chugiak
Copper River

Cordova
Fairbanks
Galena
Kake

