

# COUNCIL ON EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

State Board of Education Room

NC Dept. of Public Instruction

June 8, 2016

Meeting Minutes

## Welcome

## Call to Order

Council members will have option to call-in to participate and vote via call-in.

## Introductions

Council members provided self-introductions.

## Review of Agenda

Council reviewed the agenda.

## Review of Meeting Minutes

Council approved to keep/ post transcript and summary of actions for March meeting.

## Public Comments

This is an agenda placeholder for future public comment summaries.

## Specific Learning Disabilities – Response to Council’s Questions

Bill Hussey provided clarifying and summarized responses to Council’s previous SLD questions/concerns and the data attachment EC Division provided. Bill Hussey also provide further clarification regarding forthcoming statewide training regarding SLD eligibility within an MTSS framework and that general education is stepping to the plate to ensure some interventions are occurring.

## SSIP – Next Phase

<http://goo.gl/tyAd8i> is link for reference. Currently in Phase 3.

## Parent Handbook Update

Available on EC Division website by July 1; large print and Spanish versions will be forthcoming.

## Agency Updates

- **School Mental Health Initiative Update** – EC Division staff are presenting to SBE in August, but this is a multi-agency collection of stakeholders involved in mental health services for children. This is not just EC Division. This stakeholder group is subdivided into six workgroups to focus on finalizing recommendations for policy and potential legislation.
- **Medicaid Funding in Public Schools** – EC Division and Division of Medical Assistance will be working together on a study regarding Medicaid billing/services. The intent is for Medicaid to provide a fee-for-service billing structure, as well as other things, to increase available funds to LEAs.
- **MTSS** – now in second year of implementation rollout. Cohort 1 will finish by January, Cohort 2 by end of 2017, Cohort 3 starts in August and Cohort 4 starts in January.
- **House Bill 657** – the implications of this bill for special ed are tremendous. In essence OCS kids will be without a math. CTE maths would also be eliminated
- **ESSA** – draft plan from DPI may be available in December

- **LEA Self-Assessment** – due from LEAs July 1. All EC Division staff will review LEA approximately 11 LEA Self-Assessments each in order to collect “statewide” data and begin to determine customized professional development for LEAs by region.
- **Teacher Recruitment** – teacher recruitment at 30% decrease across the board.

**Nominate / Vote Council Chairperson**

- Leanna George approved by Council as the new Council Chairperson.
- New Chairpersons are needed for Reports & Data and Unmet Needs.
- Nicole was presented with a certificate of appreciate for her service to the Council.

**Public Comment**

Define in-person comment to arrive/sign in; first come first served; Sign in by 12:30, public comments begin at 1:00. Laura Hall will make Council’s edits. Executive Committee will forward to Katie Cornetto for legal review. Executive Committee will send to Laura; then schedule conference call for Council to vote on doc to implement at Sept. meeting.

**Council Bylaws**

Members reviewed and provided feedback to Bylaws draft. Once edits are incorporated, the Bylaws will be sent to Katie Cornetto for a legal review.

**Committee Work**

**Focus:** Each Committee provide contributions for Annual Report (January 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016)

Reports & Data	Cynthia Daniels-Hall
Unmet Needs	Laura Hall
Policies & Procedures	Susan Humbert
Executive Committee	Leanna George

**Summarizing Annual Report**

Each committee will provide a summary of participation on any committee, task force, advisory group in which they represented the Council. The summary should include the entity name and the purpose/activity that took place. The committee summaries will be used to compile the Annual Report.

**Announcements**

**Adjourn**

**Vision Statement**

As a diverse representation of stakeholders, the CESEC informs and advises the SBE on policies and matters relating to improving the educational outcomes for students with disabilities in NC.