



## Special Education Parent Advisory Committee January 19, 2022 Minutes

**Present:** Greg Molenda, Leanne Minshall, Cassandra Trawitz, Ann Green, Melissa Boelter, Jennifer Pace, Brian Hagler, Cathy Blatnik, Brandy Tinkey, Michele Brock, Latina McCausey

**Absent:** Shelby Hicks

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Minutes from October 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved. Brian Hagler moved. Melissa Boelter seconded.
- III. Administrative Reports
  - a. Greg Molenda, Ingham ISD Director, Technical Assistance and ASD Programs
    - i. IEP Survey – no updates.
    - ii. ISD Determinations Update – Have been in discussions with Special Ed Directors, Curriculum Directors, Finance Directors, and Superintendents about determinations. These are statistics on our data. Ingham has been on the bottom tier within the state for the last few school years: 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21. We are looking at how each district is doing and what we can do to support them. We look at stats such as assessments, graduation rates, compliance for policies and procedures, and suspensions. Some districts are doing well in some areas and have low ratings in other areas. Some are low in both compliance and results. Based on where a district falls will determine how to provide supports to those districts. There has been a system of general supervision and monitoring for the last three years. Some districts are heading toward the goals, some districts need significant intervention. Will monitor and provide supports in districts as needed. Money goes from Feds to States to ISD to Districts. ISD has to assure that students are getting their needs met. State gets judged by the Feds. This may impact our ISD plan.
  - b. Cassandra Trawitz, Lansing Charter Special Education Director – former Special Ed Dean at Lansing Charter. Recently moved into National Heritage Academy which includes Lansing Charter.
- IV. Action Items
  - a. Deviations and Waivers – None
- V. Business Meeting
  - i. PAC Goals Discussion
    1. Review of Mission/Purpose/Beliefs. Looked at the current language in the brochure and webpage. Brainstormed ideas of new things to include. Melissa and Ann will work with Leanne to wordsmith and send out for everyone to review. Want to finalize brochure by early March.
    2. What is the state requirement?
    3. Are we having the impact and outreach that we want?
    4. What is our goal? – will need to consider in near future

ii. 2021-2022 Events

1. Transition Expo Resource List rolled out
2. Career/College Expos – Crystal is currently trying to coordinate. Looking at virtual.

Next meeting February 16, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Meeting ended 7:21 pm