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Education

Oklahoma IDEA-B Advisory Panel
Oklahoma State Department of Education

December 5, 2024

Members Present

Erin Baird, Liberty Daniels, Tricia Forsgren, Shelli Jacobs, Tiffany Jenkins, Michelle Keiper, Heather Laine, Kathryn Moore, Paulette Pitt, Jen Randle, April Stephenson, Kari Stromprud, Lyentte Thompson, Maressa Treat, Addison Trout, and Kathy Trout.

Members Absent

Clair Bartley, Sherri Blaik, Tania Bleecker, Sharon Coppedge-Long, Maria Dianda, Allison Fennell-Conch, Darci Forrester, Lynn Hodge, Brittany Lee, Amy Swartz, and Lori Wieder.

Oklahoma State Department of Education – Office of Special Education Services (OSDE-SES)

Staff Members Present

Sherri Coats, Karen Howard, Abby Johnson, and Tina Spence

Abby Johnson (OSDE-SES): Welcome

Abby Johnson welcomed the advisory panel at 1:00 pm.

Karen Howard (OSDE-SES): Fiscal Management

Karen gave an overview presentation on Fiscal Management for the Office of Special Education Services.

The primary focus was on the different aspects of special education finance. Such as Excess Cost and Maintenance of Effort, Assurances, Local Education Agency (LEA) Agreements, Consolidated Applications, and Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS).

Karen continued her presentation with a discussion on special education projects (Project 613, 615, 616, 618, and 619).

The presentation concluded with a discussion on frequently asked questions related to

special education finance.

Sherri Coats (OSDE-SES): 50th Anniversary of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

Sherri Coats asked the panel for suggestions on how the panel would like to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the IDEA.

Michelle Keiper (Chair): Priority Setting

Michelle Keiper opened a discussion centered around the panel priorities for the 2023-2024 panel year. Panel members selected family involvement and communication, behavior management training, and staffing as the priorities for the coming year.

Members divided into subcommittee groups based upon their selection and interest in the panel priorities. They discussed various recommendations and ideas, with plans to continue their work at the next meeting.

Sherri Coats (OSDE-SES): Public Comment

Sherri Coats opened the meeting for an opportunity for public comment.

Sherri Coats (OSDE-SES): Adjourn

Sherri Coats adjourned the meeting at 4:00 pm.