

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

IDEA B State Advisory Panel

Zoom Meeting

1:00 PM- 4:00 PM

Thursday, March 24, 2022

Present

Jamie Brock, Aaron Bullock, Penny Cantley, Malissa Cook, Darci Forrester, Lynn Hodge, Tiffany Jenkins, Tina Kaminski, Rob Keiter, Amber Ledbetter, Janice Morris, Jen Randle, Terry Spigner, Melissa (Missie) Vines, Lori Wathen, and Linda Whaley

Absent

JoAnne Blades, Kaylin Coody, Chris Dvorak, Melinda Freundt, Michelle Keiper, Sharon Long, Cassie Lynch, Bonnie McBride, Becky Moore, Sonya Parsons, Ashely Rhoades, Allison Robinson, and Jennifer Robinson

State Department of Education Employees

Abby Johnson and Todd Loftin

Dr. Penny Cantley (Chair): Welcome

Dr. Penny Cantley called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

Darci Forrester (Vice-Chair): Technology Discussion

Darci Forrester opened a discussion centered around two questions related to technology in the learning environment. Panel members provided their input, with answers varying for each question. The answers to the questions are summarized below:

- ***“How can we use technology to help educators?”***
 - Provide training focused on helping teachers and administrators utilize the technology they already have (ex: Canvas, Google Classroom, etc.)
 - Giving new teachers resources and assistance with learning new technology before they step into the classroom.
 - Cross collaboration between high schools and universities to help learn Canvas, Google Classroom, etc.

- ***“What are the biggest issues faced by parents and administrators?”***
 - Parents need a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) sheet or similar resource when an issue occurs with their child’s online learning platforms.
 - Parents are not trained on technology and neither are the students. Both cannot teach each other how to use it without knowing how first.
 - Administrators need to provide assistance and opportunities for parents and students alike to learn how to best utilize the online learning platforms.

Todd Loftin (OSDE): OSDE-SES Updates

IDEA Part B Grant Application

- The grant application for IDEA B is due in May. The draft has been posted on the OSDE website and feedback is encouraged. The budget listed is estimated based on previous budgets. If anyone has questions regarding the draft or grant application, they are asked to contact Todd Loftin.

Todd Loftin (OSDE): Meeting Date

The next IDEA B State Advisory Panel meeting will be forthcoming.

Todd Loftin (OSDE): Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded, meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.