



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
*STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION*



**Connecticut State Advisory Council for Special Education**

**Legislative Committee**

**Thursday, March 30, 2023**

**\*\*\*\*\* 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. \*\*\*\*\***

**Teams Meeting**

**YouTube Live Stream: Public Participant Viewing**  
**<https://youtube.com/live/LegislativeCommittee033023>**

**DRAFT Minutes**

**Members:** Jeff Spahr (Chairperson), Susan Yankee (SAC Chair), Jennifer Lussier (SAC Vice Chair), Ana Wittig, Bryan Klimkiewicz (non -voting) and Jolie Medina (non-voting)

**Guest Members:** Missy Wrigley (SAC Member)

**Members Absent:** Lena Esposito and Ana Wittig

**I. Call to Order:**

Meeting called to order at 11:07 a.m.

**Public Comment:**

SAC meetings are public meetings and members of the public may participate.  
Call-In Number: 866-880-0098  
Participant Code: 89689633

**II. Legislative Matters:**

a. Bills of Interest Related to Special Education.

Discuss bill 6883 and Bryan responds that the bill did not make it out of the Education Committee and it is still in its own bill but voted out with no substitute language. Jeff S. asks for clarification, Bryan K. says it was voted out from voting forward.

Missy W. comments that in yesterday's full Council meeting the 6883 bill may be folded into the 5100 bill and Bryan K. responds that they should focus on other bills and keep this one in mind, keep an eye out for any future information. Education Committee will meet with CT State Dept of Ed on that bill.

Jeff S. responds in regards to

Jennifer L. would like to see an ongoing task force monitoring restraint and seclusion bill along with interpreters and translators. Susan Y. thinks they should add Section 3 in bill 6883, allowing translators to attend Planning and Placement Team. Jenn L. thinks that the wording “allow” is strange for a bill. Bryan K. and Jeff S. correct Susan Y. and clarify that it is not Section 3 of the bill where this is discussed.

b. Written Testimony/Responses from SAC.

Will say they want an ongoing task force.

Interpreters and translators specifically sign language.

**III. Action Items:**

Jolie to schedule next Legislative meeting.

**IV. Adjourn:**

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 pm.