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## STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



# **Connecticut State Advisory Council for Special Education**

## **Executive Committee**

Wednesday, November 4, 2020

\*\*\*\*\* 12:15 p.m. to 1:00 p. m. \*\*\*\*\*

Teams Meeting

### **MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Tammy Raccio (Chair), Tom Cosker (Past Chair), Jennifer Lussier (Vice Chair), Nachi Bhatt, Susan Lemke, Sean Cronin (SDE non-voting), Jolie Medina (SDE non-voting) and Bryan Klimkiewicz.

**Members Absent:** N/A

### I. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 12:21 pm. by Tammy.

### **Public Comment:**

SAC meetings are public meetings and members of the public may participate.

Call-In Number: 866-880-0098 Participant Code: 89689633

## II. Council Matters:

Bryan starts meeting with a discussion on the Nov. 18 full council meeting agenda. The discussion goes into membership talk and Jake Shumbo's role on the Council. Jake will be appointed at the November 18, 2020. Further discussion, on membership with Jen, Tom, Bryan and Tammy.

Bryan moves on to talk about agenda item time periods and shortening time in specific areas of the topics presented. The Committee all participate in talk about the presentations, group work and ideas on what would work to have the full Council involved in group work outside of full meeting days and how to organize the work/presentations and have them available for new members to review. Sue makes a suggestion on presentation and Sean agrees while discussing his concerns. Nachi and Tom talk about the work that is completed outside of the SAC meetings and Bryan.

Group talks about breaks and round table. The group revisits last meeting and how they tried a new way of reporting back. In previous Executive meeting, it was decided to try splitting SAC members into stakeholders and parents when providing feedback. Also, there is talk about different ways they can run round table without having members feel pressured to report.

Executive Committee talks about the afternoon session and priority work. Tom suggests that the groups prioritize.

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# III. Summary/Action Items:

Jolie and Bryan to update full Council dates and membership details.

Membership Committee to follow-up with Steve Hernandez regarding member representing the Parent Training Institute.

# IV. **Adjourn:**

Meeting adjourned at 1:01 pm.