



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



**Connecticut State Advisory Council for Special Education**

**Full SAC In-Person Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 10, 2024**

**\*\*\*\*\* 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. \*\*\*\*\***

**Saybrook Point Resort & Marina  
2 Bridge Street, Old Saybrook, CT 06475**

**Zoom Virtual Meeting: Member Participation  
YouTube Live Stream: Public Participant Viewing**

**<https://youtube.com/live/SAC Full Council Meeting 071024>**

(Conference Call Information included below)

**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Susan Yankee (Chair), Jennifer Lussier, Catherine Summ (Membership Chair), Bryan Klimkiewicz (SDE non-voting), Jennifer Lussier (Vice Chair), Nachi Bhatt, Jeffry Spahr (Legislative Chair), Goviana Morales, Brian K. Smith, Jonathan Metcalf, Missy Wrigley, Jolie Medina (non-voting), Jane Hampton, Amy Messinger and Ana Wittig

**Virtual:** Tom Cosker, Lori Fortuna, Allison Kopie, Dimpy Malvania, Lena Esposito, Rita Halkias and Sean Cronin (SDE-non voting)

**Members Absent:** Mary Beth Bruder, Dawn Dickau, Robin Comey, Mia Giantonio, Nancy Decrescenzo, Denise Drummond, Joshua Martin, Cassandra Reilly, Michael Scanlon, Jake Shumbo and Louis Tallarita

**I. Call to Order and Welcome (10:00 a.m.)**

Meeting called to order by Susan Yankee at 10:12 am.

**II. Introductions/Roles**

Members introductions.

**III. Council Purpose and Function**

**IV. Public Comment (10:05 a.m.) No comment**

SAC meetings are public meetings; members of the public may participate by calling in:

Call-In Number: 1-866-880-0098

Participant Passcode: 89689633

## **Old Business**

### **I. Executive Committee Report (10:10 a.m.)**

Susan Y. says Rep. Currey talks of enforcement on IEP plans and wants a more detailed report not consensus Briefly discuss the Education Task Force, 2025 annual report.

#### **a. 2024-2025 Meeting Schedule**

Susan Y. suggests moving the 9 am to 1 pm. meetings to 10 am to 2 pm. to accommodate member schedules.

November 20 meeting looking to be scheduled in the afternoon to encourage student attendance.

### **II. Priority Setting / Annual Report**

Susan Y. reminds members that it is an odd year and that changes the due date of the report to January 2025.

### **III. Membership Committee Report (10:20 a.m.)**

Catherine provides a quick update on membership vacancies and candidates. Also, introduces Rita Halkias who has been appointed as the USD1 Corrections representative.

#### **a. Membership Update**

##### **i. Parent Representative Recommendation**

### **IV. Legislative Committee Report (10:25 a.m.)**

Bryan K., Division Director provides an update followed by questions and answers.

#### **a. Previous Legislative Session Update**

Adjourn (10:30 am.)

Missy W. makes motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 am.