

# Superintendent's District Advisory Panel for Exceptional Student Education

## *Educational Programs/Inclusion Sub-Committee Meeting*

### Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 8, 2021  
2:30pm-4:00pm

Zoom Link:
<a href="https://zoom.us/j/92304956822?pwd=V2dtWUIZdGtlSURkcm5BOHIQRDFMz09">https://zoom.us/j/92304956822?pwd=V2dtWUIZdGtlSURkcm5BOHIQRDFMz09</a>
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Attendance:	
Patrick Salmasi, ESE	Laurie Malman, ESE
Vivian Nunez, ESE	Mark Thompson, Special Olympics
Josee Gregoire, Pre-K ESE	Diana Bonet, Miami-Dade Parks and Recreation
Georgina Mederos, ESE	Natalie Tappert, ESE
Maria Ratti, Parent	Beverly Heller, Parent

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review of Inclusion Achievement Award Briefing
  - The group reviewed the briefing to notify schools of the Inclusion Achievement Award
  - Mr. Salmasi arranged for the briefing to be transmitted to schools in January with a February 18, 2022 deadline for applications.
- Review of Inclusion Achievement Award Application
  - The group reviewed the Inclusion Achievement Award submission packet and updated it for transmission to schools along with the briefing.
- Generation of topics/session agenda for sensitivity training
  - The group discussed topics they would like to see in sensitivity training for faculty and staff members, inclusive of cafeteria workers, security monitors, etc.
  - The group noted that they prefer a hybrid of live and virtual/on-demand opportunities for heightened awareness.
  - Following are topics of interest the group would like to see addressed in such a training:
    - What each student experiences as it pertains to his/her disability (effects of the disability; a “walk in the shoes” of an individual with a disability)
    - Voices of students with disabilities
    - Voices of parents
    - Voices of adults with disabilities
  - Information about the IEP at a glance and other tools that are available to support staff as they work with students with disabilities
  - The group mentioned that it may be relevant to provide awareness trainings for specific groups:

- Pre-school
- Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade
- 3rd-5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Middle School
- Senior High School
- Post-graduate
- Mr. Salmasi has arranged with FDLRS to visit the next meeting in order to review their Disability Awareness training to see if this meets the needs of our district.
- New business - none
- Adjournment