

Miami-Dade County Public Schools  
Superintendent's District Advisory Panel for Students with Disabilities  
Mental and Emotional Health Ad Hoc Committee  
Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2018

**Present:** Jesus Aviles, Chris Reigadas (participation by phone), Alina Gallego, Nadyne Floyd-grubbs, Marie Castor, Agnes Shine, Suzy Schumer (participation by phone), Arline Lindsay-Marshall, Dr. Silvia Reyes, Josefina Derby and Robin Morrison

**Next Meeting:** April 4, 2018

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- I. **Introductions:** Robin Morrison opened the meeting and attendees introduced themselves. Co-Chairs are Jesus Aviles and Robin Morrison.
  
- II. **Marjory Stoneman Douglas-Broward County Discussion:** A discussion was led by Ms. Morrison focusing on the recovery and mental health services provided to the students, staff, and families of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas shooting; some attendees participated in the recovery process and shared-out.
  
- III. **Two of the five committee goals were discussed in detail:**
  - a. Guidelines for Permitting Private Service Providers in Schools
    - i. Resolving competing Weekly Briefings  
(Student Services #5500 & #10563 v. ESE #14660 & #20154)
    - ii. Guidance for the restructuring:
      1. Centralize the Decision Making
      2. Create one, all-encompassing Weekly Briefing
      3. Allow for *some* principal discretion/autonomy when governing service-provider services in their schools
  - b. Foundational Mental Health Training Program for New Personnel: **Suggestions Only**
    - i. Target Audience:
      1. The school-site Critical Response Team
      2. The school-site Leadership Team
      3. All school-site personnel
      4. All mental-health practitioners
    - ii. Target sessions/locations to deliver the *foundational mental health training*
      1. ESE Boot Camp
      2. Synergy
      3. Critical Response Team Trainings
      4. New Administrators Trainings
      5. New Teacher Orientation

**IV. Closing/Summary was focused on**

- a. Discussed the services provided, the atmosphere, and reflected on the shooting at MSD
- b. Recognized the competing Vendor Service Provider-Licensed Provider issue confusing may schools (which non-MDCPS agencies/personnel are eligible to enter schools)
- c. The target audience and venues for training delivery were discussed.

**V. Next Steps:**

- a. ESE and Student Service personnel must meet to unify/solidify/finalize the District's position on who can enter (non-MDCPS personnel) a school to provide services
- b. Deciding the content of the Foundational Mental Health Training Program & determining which community agencies can help design, support, and provide portions of the Training (recognizing that a stronger MDCPS-Community Agency relationship needs to be established to provide all the mental health services/guidance/information this ad hoc committee wishes to provide all MDCPS families and students)
- c. Request that this Ad Hoc Committee continue for the 18-19 school year.

Minutes written by Jesus Aviles