

Superintendent’s District Advisory Panel for Exceptional Student Education

Low-Incidence Exceptionalities Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2020

Members Present:

Lynn Miskiel	Sascha Etienne
Patrick Salmasi	Mylene Foster
Barby Sanabria	Lissett Robayna
Kathy Vergara	Laura Chinloy
Mara Kunitz	

Welcome and Introductions

Members introduced themselves to the group.

Review of 2019-2020 Goals

The subcommittee reviewed the goals from the 2019-2020 Goals.

- Goal 1: To review students for Dual Sensory eligibility.
- Goal 2: To provide Teacher training for Low Incidence disability student populations in order to increase the Instructors knowledge base and their ability to apply effective instructional strategies.
 - This goal was not completed due to school closures as a result of the pandemic.
- Goal 3: Transition- To Improve, identify, provide, create a process for Transition with the low incidence disability student population.
 - This goal was not completed due to school closures as a result of the pandemic.
 - The subcommittee expressed concern about the effectiveness of postsecondary transition services for students with low-incidence exceptionalities.

The subcommittee established goals for the 2021-2021 school year.

- Goal 1: To review the status of students eligible for Dual Sensory and D/HH-PK in the District.
- Goal 2: To evaluate professional development needs for Teachers in relation to instructional strategies for use with students with Low-Incidence exceptionalities.
- Goal 3: To monitor the development of postsecondary transition resources for students with Low-Incidence exceptionalities.

Date-setting:

- The group decided that meetings will take place from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- The following dates were selected:
 - February 16, 2021
 - April 20, 2021