



Special Education Family Advisory Committee (SEFAC)

Minutes for October 28, 2024

The Special Education Family Advisory Committee met in person at the AISD Central Administration Building on October 28, 2024.

SEFAC Members (Attendance)

Stephanie Ferragut (Not Present)	Miguel Morales (Not Present)
Lauren Hoffer	Chris Brodie (Not Present)
Randi Shade	Kara Schultz
Deborah Trejo	Bobby Quindlen Sandoval (Not Present)
Ricardo Bentin	Kristin Mijares-Levy
Peggy Kemp (Not Present)	Elizabeth Mirabal
Renee Sanders (Not Present)	Michael Herbin
Adalberta Marquez (Not Present)	Dr. Dru McGovern-Robinett
Natalie Johnson (Not Present)	Dr. Stephanie Hawley
Patricia Benigno Ruiz (Not Present)	Dr. Mary Anne Maxwell (Not Present)
Dr. Katherine Rose (Not Present)	Dr. Susan Diaz (Not Present)
Allyson Mangum	Dr. Jennifer Baker
Dr. Cherry Lee	

Visitors/Community Members/AISD Staff

Sherry Marsh (TEA Monitor)	Regina Earls (SPED Ombudsperson)
Dr. Kimberly Pollard (Director of 504)	Judith LeBlanc (Transition Specialist)
Courtney Gregori (Transition Specialist)	



- 1. Call to Order, Attendance**
 - 1.1. Dr. Cherry Lee called the committee to order at 6:00 PM.
 - 1.2. The sign in procedure was reviewed.

- 2. Welcome from the Chief of Equity**
 - 2.1. Dr. Stephanie Hawley introduced the new Special Education Ombudsperson, Regina Earls.

- 3. Public Comments**
 - 3.1 No requests for public comment were made before/at the meeting.

- 4. Special Education Transition**
 - 4.1. Dr. Kimberly Pollard, Director of 504, Dyslexia, and Transition, Judith LeBlanc and Courtney Gregori, Transition Specialists were introduced and provided a brief presentation. The team outlined some of the new transition efforts and events occurring this year as well as the 18+ and transition programs available.
 - 4.2. One committee member suggested a transition sub-committee to help parents access transition services and further discussion centered on vocational adjustment curriculum partners.

- 5. Work Time in Small Groups**
 - 5.1. The committee split up into 3 small discussion groups. All members rotated to stations to provide general perspectives, feedback, and recommendations for:
 - Inclusive Schools Week, Disability Awareness Activities, and Transition Services.Updates, action steps, and follow-up on status and recommendations will be provided to SEFAC members by the next meeting.

- 6. Digital Management System**
 - 6.1. Dr. Dru McGovern-Robinett announced to the committee that the District is considering a data management system change for enhanced data reliability, reporting, and improved user interface. Communication to district staff will be completed this week and will include staff listening sessions and a feedback survey to inform the process. A survey will also be sent to all SEFAC members to solicit member interest in serving on the evaluation committee.

- 7. Next Steps, Calendar, and Closure**
 - 7.1. Dr. Cherry Lee reviewed the future meeting dates for SEFAC in 24-25. The next scheduled meeting is December 9th.
 - 7.2. Dr. Jennifer Baker closed the meeting with questions and comments.

- 8. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.