

# PASE Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2022

## Virtual via Zoom

**Members Present:** Ashley Adams, Heather Bright, Rachel Eggleton, Jennifer Gard, Dawn Hodgkinson, Ronda Kaechele, Laura Kenyon, Lindsey Kloeckner, Sarah Kugler, Cindy Metoxen, Tina Mortensen, Mary Smith, Nate Steinberg, Sarah Szuminski, Megan Wacker, Sarah Whitaker, Jenni Wittenbach

**Guests:** Bill Behrendt, Joann Crumm, Sarah Hammer, Dave Larson, Lori Matthews, Toni Moore, Kirsten Myers, Joanne Platt

**Excused:** Maria Mora-Bowen, Sandy Doornbos, Romulo Garcia

### I. Welcome and Announcements

Nate Steinberg kicked off the meeting.

### II. Approve Minutes of February 7, 2022

A motion was made by Megan Wacker to approve the minutes of February 7, 2022. Motion was seconded by Ronda Kaechele and approved with no opposition.

### III. Superintendents' Advisory Committee Update

- a. Meeting held March 11
- b. Reviewed KISD Secondary Program
- c. Discussed increasing opportunities in KCTC
- d. Found 85% compliance w/ IEPs
- e. Parents desired electronic access to IEP
- f. Looking to combine KCTC to be more inclusive

### IV. Transition Post High School

- a. Bill Behrendt - Transition overview
  - i. Transition Requirement
    1. When student w/ IEP turns 16
    2. Transition plan to design, organize community supports
    3. High School diploma cannot be deferred
    4. If student pursues a certificate of completion over a diploma, services continue to 26
    5. Certificate of Completion (COC)
  - ii. Transition Plan includes:
    1. Transition Assessment
    2. Parent Rights and Age of Majority

3. Community Agency Involvement
4. Post-Secondary Goals:
  - a. Adult Living
  - b. Prepare for employment
  - c. Community participation
  - d. Postsecondary education & training
5. At least 1 transition goal w/ objectives
6. Course of study plan lead to diploma or COC
- iii. Post-Secondary Options / Support\*
  1. Vocational programs / Associate Degree
  2. 4-year college or university
  3. Apprenticeships
  4. Adult Education / GED
  5. Employment
  6. \*Options listed above are not an exhaustive list
- iv. Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS), Dave Larson
  1. Eligibility: Physical, emotional or learning impairment
  2. Services:
    - a. Vocational assessment strengths and weaknesses
    - b. Career exploration
    - c. Counseling
    - d. Job seeking skill training
    - e. Trial job experiences
    - f. Job development services
    - g. Job coaching
    - h. On the job follow-along / retention services
    - i. Support services including assistive technology
    - j. MRS contracts w/ community agencies
- v. Network 180 (Kent County Community Mental Health Authority), Joann Crumm
  1. Eligibility:
    - a. Medicaid eligible and 18 years of age
    - b. Have a condition that manifested prior to age 22
    - c. Documentation of disability
    - d. Substantial limitations in at least 3 major areas of function:
      - i. Self-care
      - ii. Receptive & Expressive Language
      - iii. Learning
      - iv. Mobility
      - v. Self-Direction
      - vi. Capacity for Independent Living
      - vii. Economic Self-sufficiency
  2. Core Services:

- a. Supports Coordination
- b. Assistive Technology
- c. Behavioral Services
- d. ABA
- e. Community Living Supports
- f. Nursing Services
- g. Respite Services
- h. Skill Building Assistance
- i. Supported Employment
- j. Residential Supports
- k. Psychiatric Services

**V. PASE Wish List**

- a. 2022/2023:
  - i. Assistive Technology
  - ii. Understanding Eligibility

**VI. Kent ISD Special Education Strategic Planning 2.0**

- a. Alignment to KISD Strategic Plan
- b. Comprehensive Needs Assessment
  - i. 2021-2022
  - ii. Sent to all parents
  - iii. Information applies to entire KISD, as well as district specific information
  - iv. Staff Responses:
    - 1. Highlighted opportunities for dispute resolution
    - 2. Majority of staff know where to get information
    - 3. Opportunities at Early Childhood level
  - v. Parent Responses:
    - 1. Looking for electronic access to IEP
    - 2. Parents looking for ways to connect w/ one another

**VII. Group Vote for Meeting Plans for Next Year**

- a. Fully virtual
- b. Fully in-person
- c. Mix of both options

**VIII. Public Comment and Closing**

Last meeting for this academic year. See you in the fall!

Minutes recorded by PASE Secretary, Lindsey Kloeckner.