

New Jersey State Special Education Advisory Council

JANUARY 18, 2024 AGENDA

Virtually via Microsoft Teams

9:30 am – 9:45 am

Call to Order

Dr. Paul Barbato, Chairperson

Jocelyn Gottlieb, Interim Assistant Chairperson

- Introductions
- Approval of Minutes
- Welcome to New Council Members

9:45 am – 10:05 am

Office of Special Education Standing Updates

Dr. Damian Petino, Assistant Director, Office of Special Education

During the following presentations only SSEAC Council Members and Stakeholders can comment in the chat.

10:05 am – 10:25 am

Special Education Spotlight Presentation: “The Waldwick Experience - The Power of Technical Assistance”

Dr. Chinwe Osondu, Assistant Director, Office of Special Education, and Erice Reid, Inclusion Specialist, Office of Special Education

10:25 am – 10:30 am

Break

10:30 am – 11:30 pm

Subcommittee Priority Study Presentation: Addressing Suicidal Ideations for Students with Disabilities

Dr. Terri Erbacher, Certified School Psychologist and Licensed Psychologist, Professor at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, and Author of *Suicide in Schools* (2015) and *Developing Comprehensive School Safety and Mental Health Programs* (2021)

11:30 am – 11:45 pm

Break

12:05 pm – 12:25 pm

Whole Council Action Priority: 2022-2023 Local Special Education Profiles

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Alexandra Pensiero, Federal Reporting and Engagement Specialist, Office of Special Education, and Keisha Bolaji, IDEA Part B Data Manager, Office of Fiscal and Data Services

12:25 pm – 12:45 pm

Council Discussion

- Old Business
 - Subcommittee Reminders
 - NJ-SSEAC meeting in March and June
- New Business
 - Monthly Meeting Evaluation Form
 - Motion to Open By-Laws
- Announcements

12:45 pm – 1:00 pm

Public Comments *

1:00 pm

End of Public Session

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