

Board of Education Special Education Committee

May 19, 2026

Time 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Board of Education Room

Minutes

Present: B. Bass, P. Sullivan-Nunes, S. Kaplan, S. Grosso, K. Slentz

The committee convened the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

1. Framing the work

Committee

- a. Review and approval of agenda

The committee approved the agenda.

2. Updates and Recommendations

Administration

- a. Student updates

S. Kaplan updated the committee on students placed in out-of-district programs and on ongoing searches for appropriate placements for other students.

3. Discussion Items

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- a. Student programming

- i. Referral status

Referrals continue to increase, although the CSE found some students ineligible and referred others to building-based supports through the MTSS process.

- b. State Performance Plan Update

- i. NR-9 Disproportionality and [Policy 4321.11](#) implications

S. Kaplan and S. Grosso gave an update regarding the state's finding of disproportionality, noting a higher prevalence of students with disabilities within a specific student subgroup.

The committee discussed the administrative review of practices, specifically focusing on adherence to Part 154 regulations concerning English Language Learner testing and programming.

K. Slentz indicated that he will present this matter to the policy committee, as a finding of disproportionality requires a comprehensive review of existing policies and practices under Policy 4321.11.

c. IDEA Accountability status

K. Slentz shared the federal government's positive review of district practices and associated indicators for special education programming and practices.

d. Board Report criteria

The committee reviewed the criteria and will assess whether additional elements are needed following the application of the criteria to the May 26 reports and recommendations.

4. **Next Meeting Date**

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a. June 11, 2026

5. **Adjourn**

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The committee adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.