

Special Education Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting

March 16, 2026
Virtual
Meeting Minutes

PARTICIPANTS

Amy Allison	Tiffany Frazier	Wendy Main	Abby Rader
Jillian Fradiska	Amy Furstenberg	Janet Mickey	Carli Rice
Shannon Watkins	Tara White	Sean Fradiska	Salina Lepley
Tiffany Mock	Krista Walker		

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS

The regular meeting of the Special Education Citizen's Advisory Committee was held on March 16, 2026. Attendance was taken and the meeting was called to order by Jillian Fradiska, (Chair), at 1 p.m.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and agreed upon by all members in attendance. Motion for the approval of the January 6, 2026 minutes was made by Tiffany Mock and seconded by Carli Rice with unanimous approval by those present.

III. DIRECTOR'S UPDATE - DR. WENDY MAIN

Local Department Update: Disaggregated Student with IEP Data Students with IEP's by grade level, number of students and % of the population.

Pre-K - 230 students at 15%
Elementary - 764 students at 50%
Secondary - 526 students at 35%

Number of students by school type:

Private - 75
Non-Public - 35
Public - 1,410

For a total of 1, 520 students with an IEP.

State/Federal Update: Parent Survey results for 2024-2025. Parent surveys are sent out every year and parents are encouraged to complete and return the survey. There were 167 surveys sent out for preschool students, and 1,172 surveys sent out for school age students. The results of this survey go back to MSDE, and the shared data indicates what the focus needs to be. Answers to the survey questions are based on a percentage with a target goal of 85% for each survey question.

For questions that did not meet the 85% target goal a corrective action plan is in place to improve results.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Fiscal and Grant Update Dr. Main and Melissa McIntosh are currently working on updating the grants and a new report will be presented when everything has been finalized.

Partners for Success Report Family Support Service Events:

January 13, 2026 MSDE virtual meeting 51 in attendance
January 14, 2026 Community School Coordinator Steering Committee 77 in attendance
January 16, 2026 Monthly SEF's meeting at ACM with Dr. Main and Dr. Detrick-Grove 34 in attendance
January 16, 2026 Monthly DSS/Family Preservation meeting 18 in attendance January 21, 2026. Shannon attended a meeting at St. Johns discussed options for more food resources. 5 in attendance
January 23, 2026 Judy Center's Steering Committee meeting at South Cumberland Library 18 in attendance
February 9, 11, March 2, 2026 Shannon attended ENOUGH campaign meetings against child poverty.
February 10, 2026 Attended Moms and Tots playground. MDSE virtual meeting 27 infants and toddlers, and 22 adults in attendance
February 10, 2026 MSDE virtual meeting 51 in attendance
February 11, 2026 Shannon participated in MSDE's webinar series
February 12, 2026 Shannon attended the Allegany County ECAC (Early Childhood Advisory Council)/LICC 21 in attendance (local Interagency Coordinating Council).
March 12, 2026 FSS hosted a family Game Night at Fort Hill High School 11 in attendance

V. NEW BUSINESS

Carli Rice Taste of ACM Camp has 19 students signed up to attend. The event is 6/22-6/25/26 at ACM from 9:00-1:30 pm. Incoming juniors and seniors can attend the camp. This will be the 6th year for the Taste of ACM Camp. Transportation and lunch will be provided during the camp.

The Transition Fair was held on March 11. There were 30 vendors, 46 students who attended the interactive fair. The next Transition Fair will be on May 6 at ACM CE building from 12:00-1:30 pm.

Parent Survey -Abby Rader. Abby discussed the Parent Survey and the various ways to complete the survey. The purpose of the survey is that ACPS staff are partnering with families to make sure that parent voices are heard, and also for the parents to understand the IEP process from start to finish. Although the Maryland Parent survey is not required, parents are encouraged to participate. The website to complete the survey is mdparentsurvev.com, Surveys will also be provided during IEP meetings, via mail and can be completed during Spring Fling in May.

More information regarding ESY for 2026, will be provided in April.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

N/A

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Parents Place and Path finders scheduled for the next SECAC meeting. Meetings will remain virtual for now with plans in the fall for hybrid meetings.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

Monday, June 8th (1:00 pm-2:00pm)

The motion for adjournment was made by Carli Rice and seconded by Tiffany Mock.

The meeting was adjourned at 1 :35 pm.