

## **Advisory Council on Student Behavior and Discipline**

## **Unofficial Minutes**

The Advisory Council on Student Behavior and Discipline met on Thursday, December 8, 2022, in the Iowa Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 10:06 a.m. by Coronda Chorley, Chair. Members present were Faith Boudreaux, Judge Gail Grover, Terran Perry, Brad Prudhomme, Tory Rocca, Kesha Simmons, and Lauren Winkler.

Craig Bilbrew served as proxy for Suzanne Harris. Ebony Haven served as proxy for Amy Deaville

Amanda Austin, Rachelle Brown, Brenda Cosse', Alan Coulter, Mark Curry- Theriot, Tia Edwards, Mike Faulk, Dannie Garrett, Liz Gary, Selena Gomes, Lynn Hathaway, Raymond Jetson, Nicole Jolly, Michael Ortego, Keith Courvile, Caroline Roemer, Al Simmons, Alison Zimmer, and Gina Womack were not in attendance.

A quorum was not present.

Representing the Louisiana Department of Education were Shelneka Adams, Angela Jordan, Nikki Landry, and Erica Spencer.

- 1. On motion of Faith Boudreaux, seconded by Lauren Winkler, the ACSBD received the minutes of the meeting held August 19, 2022
- 2. On motion of Lauren Winkler, seconded by Tory Rocca, the ACSBD received the report regarding the status of past and current Council reports to the Senate Committee on Education, House Committee on Education, and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. Consideration to meet virtually was requested but is not an option. Resolution to meet virtually recently passed. A suggestion was made by Brad Prudhomme to recommend that legislatures consider reducing council to 15-17 members to help meet quorum.
- 3. On motion of Brad Prudhomme, seconded by Lauren Winkler, the ACSBD received the discussion regarding Act 697 of the 2022 Regular Legislative Session regarding school programs to prohibit and prevent bullying. Mr Perry gave a synopsis. Brad Prudhomme page 9, section iii expressed concern about the safety of the student being bullied due to waiting to connect with parent. Prudhomme Would like this law to be changed to align with other school laws. Craig Bilbrew Does not want this paragraph to be completely removed.



Would like to ensure parents are included in life/school altering situations. Does not want to eliminate the parent inclusion. Maybe reduce time from 48 to 24 hours. Kesha Simmons - 48 hours is a generous amount of time to reach an adult. Does not alleviate the ability to collect statements. Investigation can begin, questioning should include parent. Brad Prudhomme - other investigations do not need parents. Tory Rocca - some language is missing at the bottom of page 9, refer to legislative website. Brad Prudhomme - wants a shorter time to question student. Craig Bilbrew - bullying is serious, does not want student rights to be violated, supports a twenty-four hour time frame

- 4. On motion of Terran Perry, seconded by Brad Prudhomme, the ACSBD received the report regarding the Sustainable Community Schools Model from Louisiana Alliance to Reclaim Our Schools. Maria Harmon presented on LAROS Community Schools with emphasis on wrap around services provided in community schools model designed to support improved student outcomes.
- 5. On motion of Brad Prudhomme, seconded by Judge Gail Grover, the ACSBD received the report regarding the status of school master plans for improving student behavior and discipline
- 6. On motion of Terran Perry, seconded by Brad Prudhomme, the ACSBD deferred a breakout session for small group discussion regarding focus areas for future deliberation and recommendations
- 7. On motion of Kesha Simmons, seconded by Faith Boudreaux, the ACSBD received the report regarding the 2023 Council meeting dates. Choranda Corley recommended changing May meeting to April, August to June or July, and November to September or October. Faith Boudreaux suggested keeping the number of meeting dates at three and extending the meeting timeframe would be a better approach. Choranda Corley requested that a poll be sent to council members.

With no further business to come before the ACSBD, the meeting was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.