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Special Education Advisory Committee

Welcome to the Office of Administrative Hearings Advisory Committee Meeting. The Advisory Committee is a committee composed of attorneys, advocates, parents and school employees, the majority of whom are parents or those that represent parents. The Advisory Committee is responsible for providing non binding recommendations for improving the mediation and due process hearing system as it is operated by the Office of Administrative hearings

AGENDA

A. Introductions

B. Review of Recommendations from October 2008 Meeting

C. Role of Advisory Committee

- Structure changes to the Committee that should be considered
 - Since Webcasting is available, OAH will reduce the number of statewide members in the next selection process. OAH seeks a recommendation from the committee as to a reasonable number of statewide committee members.
- How to ensure continuity when new members of the committee are selected
 - OAH seeks a recommendation from the committee as to whether a certain number of members should be carried over to keep continuity from year to year.
 - OAH seeks input from the committee on whether the panel style discussion should be continued or should the discussion be switched to a round-table type discussion
- How should the committee make recommendations? What should the process be?
- How can the Advisory Committee work more effectively?
- Should there be time limits to discussion?

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D. Intersection between CDE and OAH

- How are compliance complaints about failure to follow hearing procedures or to obtain records handled?

E. Parent Handbook

- Status of Parent Handbook
- Status of Pamphlet

F. Recommendations for Website Improvement

G. Public Comment Period

H. Planning For Next Meeting