

CDE MEETING AGENDA



COLORADO
Department of Education

Special Education Fiscal Advisory Committee

Meeting Logistics & Desired Outcomes

MEETING:	Special Education Fiscal Advisory Committee- SEFAC
DATE & TIME:	Monday, May 5, 2025 2:00-4:00
LOCATION:	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81932020705?pwd=e6DBbs6lZq30nYUZFPRHtAqNg5c8it.1 Meeting ID: 819 3202 0705 Passcode: 552335
MEETING LEAD:	Tamara Durbin & Tammy Johnson Co-Chairs
MEETING PARTICIPANTS: <i>(Who most needs to attend?)</i>	Erich Dorn, Tamara Durbin, Brandi Durr, Paul Foster, Vicki Graham, Lazlo Hunt, Tammy Johnson, Elizabeth Mauler, Lisa Schmit, Scott Smith, Carolena Steen, Lynette Steinhoff, Susan Udenberg, Callan Ware Not in attendance: Elizabeth Mauler, Lazlo Hunt, Lynette Steinhoff, Paul Foster, Scott Smith.
MEETING OBJECTIVES: <i>(Is a meeting necessary to accomplish the objectives?)</i>	High-Cost Application Review for OOD and IAU and Final Approval; Recap and Next Steps

Agenda Items and Next Steps: **Meeting Notes are added in purple in the agenda**

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2:00	Introductions, Review Agenda, Brief Update regarding Prior High-Cost Application Reviews	
2:10	Executive Session Motion to enter Executive Session by Carolena, Seconded by Tamara Executive Session started 2:06	The committee will go into Executive Session to review High-Cost Applications with PII.
	High-Cost Application Review The committee discussed applications that needed	CDE will lead ODD High-Cost Application and IAU High-Cost Application reviews.

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	committee decisions. All of the apps have been reviewed and vetted.	
3:40	Exit Executive Session The motion for ending the executive session was made by Callan and seconded by Carolena. Executive Session ended at 3:27	The committee will exit Executive Session
3:40	Final SEFAC Approval of OOD & IAU High-Cost Applications The SEFAC Committee approved the applications as prepared and reviewed for presentation to the state board of education. The vote was unanimous.	The committee will vote on final funding approval for the OOD and IAU High-Cost Applications.
3:45	Recap and Next Steps, Other	SEFAC Membership Discussion The committee discussed the significant reimbursements to BOCES/AUs, which ranged from \$721,814 to \$23,183. Many AUs don't take on the tedious task of completing the application because their chance of reimbursement is so low that it is not worth the time and effort. The formula for figuring out reimbursements was created in 2006 at the inception of the SEFAC, and the committee agreed that it is time to look into a different way to decide reimbursements. There was a suggestion that once a student gets to the \$25,000 threshold, anything spent on the student beyond that base amount would be what is funded. This would allow more districts to recoup some funding, thus spreading the reimbursements to more districts versus extraordinary reimbursements to a few. Regardless, it is in legislation, so we must go through that process to make any changes. The committee suggests that a change in how the funding formula is developed needs to be addressed in the Legislative Report, which the committee authors in the fall. The SEFAC has done this important work on behalf of all Colorado students and AUs, and we appreciate and recognize their efforts.
4:00	Adjourn Adjourned: 3:58	

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