

## Legislative Action Committee Minutes

Date: December 2, 2021

Present: Marie Johnson, Eddy Slosower, Keri Cahill, Cheryl Migatz, Jaclyn Coffman  
Students - Cassandra Chorba, Iliana Benitez

Absent: John Lumia

Call to order at 5:33 p.m.

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Item #1- Approve minutes from the last meeting.

Motion made by Marie Johnson, second by Cheryl Migatz

Vote taken: Unanimous

Item #2- Welcome John Jay student Iliana Benitez. Student introduces herself to committee

Item #3- Update on Special Education topic by Marie Johnson. The IDEA funding topic is on hold till further information from the new legislature starts in the new session in January.

New Agenda Item- The committee was asking what they might want to look into for the second half of the year.

We will keep an ear out for more in the special education topic as this is a continuing item.

We asked the students about the Social Emotional Learning (SEL) topic and what they see in the schools and if this is something we should look to get more funding. The committee also discussed how we can get the word out about this to other students.

Students spoke about how other students bully those trying to get help (SEL) and therefore many will not reach out. Students stress that it is NOT administration making them feel they can not reach out. It is peers causing them not to step out for help.

Should we look for more anti-bully funding programs?

We allowed students to have conversations on what they were seeing and struggles in the school.

Item #4- Next meeting is set for Jan. 11, 2022.

Motion to Adjourn made by Cheryl Migatz, second by Marie Johnson

Vote taken: Unanimous