

Minnesota Autism Spectrum Disorder Taskforce

November 18, 2010 6:00 p.m.
State Office Building – Room 300 N

Minutes

Members Present

Dawn Steigauf
AJ Paron Wildes
Dr. David Griffin
Jean Bender
Dr. Brooks Donald
Dr. Kimberly Klein

Members Absent

Sen. David Senjem
Sen. Terri Bonoff
Rep. Tara Mack
Rep. Nora Slawik
Dr. Dr Jodi Milburn
Virginia Richardson
Idill Abdul
Abdullah Farah
Renaë Ouillette

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from October meeting were approved.

K-Transition Discussion

Members of the task force discussed the article *A Multi Step Screening Strategy*. The group also talked about lack of collaboration and schools being reluctant to talk about services because there isn't a way to pay for them. Also discussed were the following topics: communication between schools and physicians, action plans for autism, developing a website similar to Oregon, the need for an autism coordinator in schools, and more comprehensive training for general education teachers.

January Report

The task force members present at the meeting decided they would wait until the December meeting to further discuss the details of the upcoming report due to the Legislature.

Next Meetings

Thursday, December 16th
9:00 a.m. – Room 400 North

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m