AMENDED AGENDA

Disability and Communication Access Board
General Meeting

Location: Virtual Location Via Zoom
Date: June 25, 2020
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Introductions

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2020

V. Executive Director’s Report
   • Supplemental Budget Request – Update
   • Personnel – Update
   • Other Administrative Issues – Update

VI. Committee Reports
   A. Executive Committee
   B. Legislative Committee
      • Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2020
   C. Standing Committee on Communication Access
      • Recommended Fee Schedule
• Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 218, “Communication Access Services for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf-Blind” – Update
• Other Communication Activities from the Plan of Action

D. Standing Committee on Facility Access
• Document Reviews and Database – Update
• Design Access Conference
• Other Facility Activities from the Plan of Action

E. Standing Committee on Parking
• Parking Program Issuance and Statistics – Update
• Public Education Quality Assurance and Outreach Efforts – Update
• Implementation of Act 87 (2019) and Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 11, Chapter 219, “Parking for Persons with Disabilities” – Update
• Special Use Disability Parking Permit for Use at Hawaii Airports
• Other Parking Activities from the Plan of Action

F. Special Parent Information Network
• SPIN Conference, “SPIN 2020”
• Update of Activities from the Plan of Action

VII. Old Business

A. ADA Coordination Update

VIII. New Business

A. Plan of Action for Fiscal Year 2021
B. Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2021
C. Draft Pedestrian Priority Network, City and County of Honolulu – Staff Summary
D. Office of Elections Administrative Rules Proposed Amendments – Staff Summary

VIII. Open Forum

IX. Announcement of Next Meeting

X. Adjournment

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auxiliary aid/service or accommodation, but we cannot guarantee that the request will be fulfilled. Video Remote Interpreting and Relay Conference Captioning will be provided.

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Date: June 25, 2020  
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Pauline Aughe, Chairperson; Anthony Akamine, Bill Bow, Scott Fleming, Dean Georgiev, Violet Horvath, Gerald Isobe, Nikki Kepo’o, Summer Kozai, Marie Kimmey, Phyllis Meighen, Board Members; Kirby Shaw, Kristine Pagano, Duane Buote, Colin Whited, Bryan Mick, Sean Shinshiro, Cindy Omura, Staff

ABSENT: Monty Anderson-Nitahara, Ron Awa, Rosanna Daniel-Kanetake, Justin Tokioka, Amy Tsuji-Jones, Board Members

GUESTS: Peter Fritz, Michael Nojima, Gerald Ohta, Donald Sakamoto, Francine Wai, Robin Wurtzel

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS: Mala Arkin and Carie Sarver

I. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pauline Aughe at 11:08 a.m. As this was the first virtual Board meeting, she reviewed Zoom etiquette for attendees.

Chairperson Pauline Aughe also provided a reminder about the two-minute time limit on public testimony and comments for an agenda item; exception may be made for a person who has a communication disability.

II. Staff and guests introduced themselves.

Chairperson Pauline Aughe recognized Bill Bow and Monty Anderson-Nitahara for their service on the Board. Both will be leaving the Board effective June 30, 2020. She welcomed Michael Nojima and Gerald Ohta to the Board. Michael Nojima will replace Bill Bow and Gerald Ohta will replace Bryant Yabui.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2020

The Board approved the January 16, 2020 meeting minutes as circulated (M/S/P Kepo’o/Bow).
IV. Executive Director’s Report

Kirby Shaw reported that the Supplemental Budget request for a half time Communication Access Specialist position was denied due to budget constraints.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, staff have been teleworking and will be returning to the office on July 1, 2020. DCAB’s major functions such as technical assistance on the ADA and other disability related laws, plan reviews, parking placard renewals, sign language interpreter testing, and assistance to parents and professionals concerning children with disabilities have continued to be conducted.

He reported that DCAB requested to fill the vacant Communication Access Specialist position. As this position is unique, DCAB requested an exception to the hiring freeze. To date the position has not been filled, however DCAB will have more clarity once the Legislature adjourns.

Guest Francine Wai commented that this is the second year of the biennium budget. If the Governor does not accept the Legislature’s budget, the current budget would be in effect and included in the budget is the Communication Access Specialist position. The Governor is unlikely to veto the budget, but he does have the authority to impose restrictions.

Kristine Pagano reported that staff is closing out the books for fiscal year 2020. Staff will not know what DCAB’s budget appropriation will be for fiscal year 2021 until after the Legislature adjourns. Hopefully staff will have budget information to prepare DCAB’s expenditure plan for fiscal year 2021 to be presented at the next Board meeting.

V. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee

Board Chairperson Pauline Aughe reported that the Committee has not met since last year and therefore no report was given.

B. Legislative Committee

The Board approved the February 25, 2020 meeting minutes (M/S/P Horvath/Georgiev).

C. Standing Committee on Communication Access

Committee member Nikki Kepo’o reported that the Committee met once since the last Board meeting. DCAB is awaiting Governor’s approval of the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), Title 11, Chapter 218, “Communication Access Services for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf-Blind” as approved by the Board.

She reported that the Committee approved revisions to the Recommended Fee Schedule, which will be presented to the full Board for approval at the next meeting. DCAB contracted with the Dendros Group to develop a “How
to Hire an Interpreter Manual” for state agencies. The Manual will be a resource for state agencies in obtaining sign language interpreter services. Dendros is in the process of finalizing an “Interpreter Rate Calculator” which will be based on the Recommended Fee Schedule. This tool can be used to calculate a sign language interpreter’s rates by inputting different variables (e.g., years of certification, level of education, etc.). The Manual and calculator will be used once the amended administrative rules take effect.

She also reported that HQAS tests for three interpreters were evaluated. All were issued an HQAS credential.

D. Standing Committee on Facility Access

Committee Chairperson Marie Kimmey reported that the Facility Access Committee has not conducted a meeting since the last DCAB Board meeting due to the coronavirus pandemic.

She reported that the 2020 Disability Access Conference had to be cancelled due to restrictions in place during the Governor’s work from home directive. The plan for the 2021 Disability Access Conference is to use the content that was already planned for the 2020 Disability Access Conference. The Facility Access Unit (FAU) contacted the speakers to ask them to present at next year’s conference.

She also reported that the FAU staff continued to perform their job functions while working from home and have been conducting document reviews, providing technical assistance, sending out “Access E-Bulletins” and completing all necessary reports from home using ten inch tablets. FAU administrative staff has been going into the office on Wednesdays to accept deliveries and processing items that could not be done from home. The FAU has also assisted in making changes to help create a safer working environment for staff to return to the office on July 1, 2020.

E. Standing Committee on Parking

Committee Chairperson Summer Kozai reported that the Committee has not met since January, but that staff prepared updates on behalf of the Committee.

She reported that the Governor suspended expiration dates on parking placards; which will remain in place until July 31 unless the order is extended.

As of the third quarter of fiscal year 2020, 7,415 placards and 397 special license plates were issued. Of the placards, 1,693 were temporary and 5,722 were long term. Of the long-term placards, 2,946 were renewals issued by DCAB. The renewal rate was steady at 59 percent. There was a decline for March-April 2020, with only 1,961 placards and 135 special license plates issued. Of the placards, 356 were temporary and 1,604 were long term. Of the long-term placards, 1,034 were renewals issued by DCAB. The renewal rate fell to 31 percent.
She reported that the Committee previously discussed three efforts that staff is pursuing under public education/quality assurance/outreach: 1) subscribing to a service such as Constant Contact to inform permittees that their parking placards would soon expire. DCAB has obtained the email addresses of approximately ten percent of the current permittees. Staff has only been actively collecting email address of the past few years in conjunction with the release of the revised parking application forms, so the percentage will start to increase in 2023 and currently is at thirty-five percent for placards set to expire by mid-2024; 2) drafting a survey of permittees regarding their experiences in finding and using accessible parking spaces. The hope is this will help the Committee pursue appropriate solutions to challenges permittees encounter. For example, perhaps permittees consistently find a lack of accessible parking spaces in lots of a particular size, and therefore a State requirement for additional parking spaces beyond ADA requirements could be drafted to apply only to lots that fall into that specific size category; and 3) discussing ways in which residents can report placard misuse to DCAB, so that DCAB can follow-up with educational materials for the permittee.

She also reported that staff is preparing the final draft version of HAR, Title 11, Chapter 219, "Parking for Persons with Disabilities" and associated documents for transmittal to the Deputy Attorney General and approval by the Governor to hold public hearings.

She reported that staff responded on behalf of the Governor's Office to a constituent because his only option of obtaining a second parking permit is to apply for special license plates. He believes that this option would force him to advertise his disability status while driving and would make him more vulnerable to crime, even though he parks his vehicle in accessible parking spaces and displays his disability parking placard. He claimed it is an issue when he travels because he wants to leave his vehicle in the accessible space at the airport and take a parking permit with him for use at his destination. DCAB had a similar complaint from a person who does not own a vehicle, but rents vehicles when traveling. The creation of an airport only parking pass would require an amendment to the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The placard death retrieval effort was put on hold due to staff shortages at the Office of Vital Records and the COVID-19 pandemic.

F. Special Parent Information Network

Board member Phyllis Meighen reported for the Special Parent Information Network (SPIN). SPIN met this past Monday to discuss alternative options to an in person conference for school year 2020-2021 with members thinking of a virtual conference to be held over several dates in October. The presentations will be interactive when first introduced and taped for individuals to access at their leisure. A second planning meeting is scheduled for July 14, 2020. Chairperson Pauline Aughe suggested that SPIN look at the Abilities Expo as an example on how to turn the SPIN conference into a virtual conference.
She reported that SPIN staff created a series of infographics for the June issue of the “SPIN News” providing timely information to parents related to COVID-19 school closures and other similar topics. A Med-QUEST infographic on temporary assistance was also included.

She reported that SPIN has been invited, along with the Community Children’s Council Office and the Leadership in Disabilities and Achievement of Hawaii, to provide feedback on draft parent documents related to the provision of special education, summer school, and the upcoming school year. SPIN has also volunteered to participate in training activities for school staff and families.

She also reported that SPIN staff has assisted in drafting recent testimonies to the Board of Education (BOE) on priorities for CARES Act K-12 funding; support of an applicant for the Assistant Superintendent of the Office of Fiscal Services position; administrative rule amendments regarding students with disabilities who attend charter school transportation services; and the BOE’s resolutions regarding summer school priorities and the reopening of school in August 2020.

Board member Nikki Kepo’o inquired if SPIN staff could find out if the Department of Education (DOE) plans to reactivate the deaf task force. DOE has suspended the task force due to COVID-19. Distance learning for the vast majority of the deaf and hard of hearing community was extremely difficult as it required parent involvement. How would the DOE address effective communication with new rules being implemented? What are the plans for effective communication for students this upcoming school year?

VI. Old Business

A. ADA Coordination Update

Colin Whited provided information on technical assistance to various State and County departments/agencies on the ADA. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic one example of significant technical assistance was what ADA requires when making livestreaming meetings and other public events accessible. At minimum, live captioning must be provided in such instances. However, just because the video programming is live-captioned does not mean an ADA Title II entity is exempt from providing other forms of accommodations when requested. It is important that announcements of these events include information on how individuals can request an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability. He also reported that DCAB hosted six (6) webinars sponsored by the U.S. Access Board and the National ADA Network, and provided technical assistance to the Department of Education on reasonable accommodations for disabled employees.

Board member Nikki Kepo’o inquired about sign language interpreters for COVID-19 briefings on the neighbor islands. Colin Whited responded that each county is unique. Each county has had its challenges and DCAB is working with them to ensure effective communication is provided.
Guest Peter Fritz asked if DCAB is providing advice to the ADA Coordinators concerning COVID-19 and employment issues and will there be any guidance issued by DCAB? Kirby Shaw indicated no questions of that nature have been raised to date and therefore DCAB has not provided related technical assistance.

Guest Francine Wai informed Board members that the Department of Justice (DOJ) announced that cards are circulating on the Internet wrongly stating that the ADA exempts persons with disabilities from wearing a face mask. Kirby Shaw said informal technical assistance from the DOJ indicated that an entity may exclude anyone who does not wear a face covering, disabled or not, from entering its premises if the person poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others. The direct threat must be based on current medical or scientific knowledge, such as the wearing of a face covering to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Such an exclusion would not be discriminatory under the ADA. However, the entity must seek alternative means to serve the individual with a disability who is excluded.

VII. New Business

A. Plan of Action

Kirby Shaw informed members that the proposed Plan will be sent to members for review prior to the Planning meeting and that the budget situation may curtail some of the goals and objectives.

B. Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2021

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, a nominating committee was not appointed to recommend a slate of officers for next fiscal year. The current officers would continue as holdovers in the same way as Board members could until next legislative session or until a replacement is nominated. The Board voted to postpone the election of officers and appoint a Nominating Committee to provide a slate of officers at the next meeting (M/S/P Kimmey/Horvath).

Nominating Committee will consist of Marie Kimmey, Bill Bow, and Summer Kozai.

C. Draft Pedestrian Priority Network, City and County of Honolulu

Duane Buote provided information on the City and County of Honolulu’s Draft Pedestrian Plan. The Pedestrian Priority Network is the network of the City and County of Honolulu streets that provide important pedestrian connections to transit, schools, employment and commercial centers, and other major destinations. The network will be used as the basis for identifying where pedestrian infrastructure improvements are needed. The City and County of Honolulu is requesting community input on the draft network by July 6, 2020. The tools on the Mapping Survey allow individuals to drop different pins to identify issues at specific locations, where comments can then be added to the pin. This summary is informational and staff has no comments or recommendations at this time on the draft plan.
D. Office of Elections Administrative Rules Proposed Amendments

Colin Whited reported the Office of Elections (OE) is proposing amendments to its administrative rules as the state implements a vote by mail system commencing in 2020. Amendments include the establishment of voter service centers (VSCs) and drop boxes in lieu of traditional polling places. VSCs will provide an array of services including Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) voting machines for persons with disabilities pursuant to the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) and any other federal or state law relating to persons with disabilities. DREs provide accessibility for individuals with disabilities, including nonvisual access for voters who are blind or visually impaired, so that they have the opportunity to vote independently. It also provides language accessibility in Chinese and Ilocano pursuant to the Voting Rights Act. The proposed rules do not specify the number or locations of VSCs or drop boxes that shall be in operation during a given election; this is determined by county clerks. The Board discussed a motion to accept the staff recommendation to submit testimony to OE supporting its efforts to establish a vote by mail system while offering comments to ensure that the voting process is equally accessible to the full spectrum of persons with disabilities, and emphasizing adequate distribution of VSCs and drop boxes so that it will not be difficult for individuals with disabilities to obtain transportation to a VSC or drop box to register and/or vote.

Guest Donald Sakamoto raised a concern that mail in ballots with other languages besides Chinese and Ilocano are not available. He also raised a concern that the mail in ballot system does not allow for voting independently by blind persons who do not have a printer to print out the alternate format ballot or who choose not to visit a VSC to vote because of the coronavirus.

Board member Dean Georgiev noted his satisfaction with the options that the OE made available for many blind individuals. He said that for the vast majority of individuals who are blind the process is done well. Other states have been successful in voting by mail over time, and have been accessible for blind individuals.

After some discussion, members voted to amend the previous motion to include comments on addressing accessibility for persons with visual impairments in the voting process (M/S/P Kepo’o/Aughe; Abstain: Akamine, Georgiev).

VIII. Open Forum

Board member Violet Horvath opened the discussion on COVID-19 and accessibility issues. She asked whether DCAB was doing anything proactively to remind state and local governments, businesses, and organizations about accessibility, social distancing, face masks, etc. Can DCAB be included as part of the discussion prior to Governor’s mandates being issued? Guest Peter Fritz stated that the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission (HCRC) has jurisdiction under state law regarding discrimination in public accommodations. It was suggested that DCAB and HCRC collaborate on this issue.

Guest Peter Fritz asked whether the Board adopted a rule per Hawaii Revised Statutes 92-3 on oral testimony time limits at board meetings because the statute
statute clearly requires that the Board take such action and he could find no record of the Board having voted on such a rule. He noted that while the Office of Information Practices says it is permissible, the plain language of the law requires that it be adopted by the Board and cannot be unilaterally imposed by the Executive Director.

IX. Announcement of Next Meeting

Chairperson Pauline Aughe announced that the next DCAB meeting is the Annual Planning meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. followed by the DCAB General meeting at 11:00 a.m.

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

NOTE: All votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Respectfully submitted,

CINDY Y. OMURA
Since the last meeting on January 16, 2020, ADA activities of all DCAB staff included:

1. Provided technical assistance (TA) to two hundred thirty-three (233) callers on issues related to the ADA. Key Departments/agencies were: Office of the Governor, Judiciary, Hawaii State Senate; Education (DOE), Health (DOH), Human Resources Development (DHRD), Human Services (DHS), Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), Public Utilities Commission (PUC), Transportation (DOT); the Counties of Hawaii, Kauai, Maui, and City and County of Honolulu. An example of significant TA to State and County ADA Coordinators is:

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<td>Due to COVID-19, we are livestreaming meetings and other public events. What does the ADA require when it comes to making this accessible? <em>Any video programming that is live-streamed and/or archived online by state government entities for anyone to view is considered web content that has to be equally accessible to the public. At minimum, live captioning must be provided in such instances. However, just because the video programming is live-captioned does not mean an ADA Title II entity is exempt from providing other forms of accommodations when requested. This is why it is important that announcements of these events include information on how individuals can request an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability.</em></td>
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2. Hosted six (6) webinars related to ADA issues:
   - Two (2) webinars sponsored by the National ADA Network on:
     - "Accessible Parking, What Does that Mean?"
     - "COVID19, Health Care, and the ADA"
   - Four (4) webinars sponsored by the U.S. Access Board on:
     - "Chapter 2: Scoping: New Construction"
     - "Chapter 2: Alternatives"
     - "Chapter 3: Building Blocks"
     - "Chapter 5: General Site and Building Elements"

3. Provided technical assistance to the DOE regarding accommodations for employees with disabilities.
4. Conducted two (2) ADA trainings: ADAAG Session 4 training in Honolulu, 2010 
   ADAAG all day training in Kona.

5. Attended and participated in one (1) County ADA Coordination meeting.

6. Maintained current information on the ADA Coordinators secured website and DCAB's 
   website by ensuring current lists of State and County ADA Coordinators were available.

Any questions regarding ADA Coordination activities should be directed to Colin Whited at 
(808) 586-8121 or colin.whited@doh.hawaii.gov.
STAFF SUMMARY FOR THE DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD
GENERAL MEETING
June 25, 2020

TOPIC: City and County of Honolulu Draft Oahu Pedestrian Plan

SUMMARY:

The City and County of Honolulu has requested community feedback on their draft Oahu Pedestrian Plan. The draft Oahu Pedestrian Plan is a long term action plan to create vibrant, safe, and accessible streets to enable those of all ages and abilities to get around safely and comfortably by walking. The draft Oahu Pedestrian Plan involves inventorying existing pedestrian conditions, identifying pedestrian safety issues, proposing pedestrian improvement projects and programs, and prioritizing those improvements to facilitate walking and multimodal travel consistent with the City and County of Honolulu’s Complete Streets approach.

The Pedestrian Priority Network is the network of the City and County of Honolulu streets that provide important pedestrian connections to transit, schools, employment and commercial centers, and other major destinations. The network will be used as the basis for identifying where pedestrian infrastructure improvements are needed.

The City and County of Honolulu is requesting community input on the draft network by July 6, 2020. View the Draft Pedestrian Priority Network and provide your comments via the Mapping Survey. The following link will take you to the website where the Mapping Survey is located http://www.honolulu.gov/completestreets/pedplan. The Mapping Survey allows people to view a map of Oahu, including any existing comments. The tools on the Mapping Survey allow individuals to drop different pins to identify issues at specific locations, where comments can then be added to the pin. You are also welcome to provide your comments directly to the Oahu Pedestrian Plan Project Manager Daniel Alexander at daniel.alexander@honolulu.gov or (808) 768-6652.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The staff summary is an informational brief to inform the Board about the draft Oahu Pedestrian Plan and the county’s request for community input. Staff has no comments or recommendations at this time.
STAFF SUMMARY FOR THE DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD
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TOPIC: Office of Elections Administrative Rules Proposed Amendments

SUMMARY:

The Office of Elections (OE) is proposing amendments to its administrative rules as the state implements a vote by mail system commencing in 2020, as mandated by Act 136, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019. Amendments include the establishment of voter service centers (VSCs) and drop boxes in lieu of traditional polling places. VSCs will provide an array of services including Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) voting machines for persons with disabilities pursuant to the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) and any other federal or state law relating to persons with disabilities. DREs provide accessibility for individuals with disabilities, including nonvisual access for voters who are blind or visually impaired, so that they have the opportunity to vote independently. It also provides language accessibility in Chinese and Ilocano pursuant to the Voting Rights Act. The proposed rules do not specify the number or locations of VSCs or drop boxes that shall be in operation during a given election; this is determined by county clerks.

ANALYSIS:

What the exact number of VSCs and drop boxes in operation should be is an open question, however having an adequate distribution of VSCs and drop boxes will reduce the difficulty for individuals with disabilities – including those with mobility disabilities – to obtain transportation to a VSC or drop box to register and/or vote.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends DCAB submit testimony to OE supporting its effort to establish a vote-by-mail system while offering comments to ensure that the voting process is equally accessible to the full spectrum of persons with disabilities. Comments should include emphasizing the need for an adequate distribution of VSCs and drop boxes so that it will not be difficult for individuals with disabilities to obtain transportation to a VSC or drop box to register and/or vote.
SPIN Advisory Committee Activities
A virtual committee meeting was held on Monday, June 22nd to discuss alternative options to an in-person conference in SY 20-21. Members are thinking of a virtual conference held over several dates in October. The presentations will be interactive when they are first introduced and taped for folks to access later at their leisure. A second planning meeting is scheduled for July 14th at 2:00 p.m.

SPIN Newsletter - June Issue
Susan and Amanda created a series of infographics for the June SPIN News that provide timely information for parents related to COVID-19 school closures and similar topics. A Med-QUEST infographic on temporary assistance was also included. A copy of the newsletter can be found on the SPIN website along with a set of links to source materials for each infographic.

Partnership with the Office of Student Support Services
SPIN has been invited, along with the Community Children's Council Office and the Leadership in Disabilities and Achievement of Hawaii, to provide feedback on draft parent documents related to the provision of special education during the 4th Quarter, summer school and the upcoming school year. SPIN has also volunteered to participate in training activities for school staff and families.

Board of Education Testimonies
SPIN staff has helped to draft recent testimonies to the Board of Education on the following topics:

- Priorities for CARES Act K-12 funding for the summer months and SY 20-21
- Support of Brian Hallett for the position of Assistant Superintendent of the Office of Fiscal Services
- Amendments to the Administrative Rules regarding student transportation to require transportation services for students with disabilities who attend charter schools.
- BOE's resolutions regarding summer school priorities and the reopening of schools in August 2020.