

**ODR Stakeholder Council Meeting  
September 20, 2018  
Meeting Minutes  
Office for Dispute Resolution  
6340 Flank Drive  
Harrisburg, PA 17112**

**Participants**

Betsy Gustafson  
Jill Hrinda-Patten  
Heidi Konkler-Goldsmith, Esquire  
Gina Scala  
Edward Titterton, Esquire  
Jane Williams, Esquire

**ODR**

Kerry V. Smith, Esquire, Director  
Samantha Pudloski, Program Manager  
Heather Doyle, Administrative and Technical Specialist

**Minutes**

The June 21, 2018 Stakeholder Council (SC) meeting minutes were adopted as written and will be published on the ODR website in both English and Spanish.

**Informal Circle (Samantha Pudloski)**

The ODR Program Manager began the meeting with informal circle questions, with additional questions asked throughout the meeting. The purpose of these questions is to give a general look into what circles look like in Restorative Practice.

**Stakeholder Council Members Update (Kerry Smith and Samantha Pudloski)**

ODR is seeking feedback on mediation as a targeted project for the SC. A survey was previously sent to SC members to gather suggestions on what the SC's next steps should be and what organizations could do to support the project. SC members discussed ways to increase the use of mediation and discussed how to move forward with ideas.

**Stakeholder Council Openings (Kerry Smith)**

ODR is looking at the composition of SC members. A survey will be sent to the SC, seeking input on how to fill the current openings.

**2017/2018 Annual Report (Kerry Smith)**

ODR has completed the 2017/2018 Annual Report. There was a slight decrease in IEP facilitation and mediation requests, while due process saw a slight increase from the previous year.

## **Gifted Roundtable Announcement**

An SC member requested that an announcement for the Chapter 16 Roundtable be distributed to other SC members. This announcement provides the dates and locations of three roundtable discussion events, which provide opportunities for interested parties to share their thoughts and concerns on Gifted Education regulations.

The meeting concluded at 11:36am. The next quarterly meeting of the Stakeholder Council will be held on Thursday, December 20, 2018.