

Accountability Task Force

Meeting Minutes

12.11.2009

Lansing, MI 8:30 A.M.

1. **Call to order:** Doug calls the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. (Morning spent with entire group discussing direction of Task Forces)
2. **Roll call:** Dawn Sanchez (East Detroit Public Schools), Gregg Dionne (Hazel Park Schools), Cliff Akujobi (DELEG), Julie DeRose (Department of Corrections), Doug Wood (Orchard View Community education), Kandekye Kagyenzi (Detroit Public Schools), Jeff McNeal (ETC), Gloria Henry (Port Huron), Michelle Irwin (L'anse Creuse), Henry McCurry (Walled Lake), Marilyn Reichardt (Fruitport Schools), Bonnie Truhn (Washtenaw community college), Rich Klemm (Niles Community Schools), Sandy Thelen (DELEG), Bob Steeh (Novi Community schools)
3. **Open issues**
 - a. Focus and direction of the group discussed
 - i. Collaboration between MWA and community Colleges discussed further.
 1. Focus on common language stressed as well as how the organizations can work together at the state level. Strategies for working together will also need to be identified and implemented.
 2. Recommendation is to isolate 3-4 issues to focus on.
 3. Using documents such the Adult Education Guide Book and similar documents from partners could serve as an effective tool in collaborating. Cliff to follow to determine what documents may be available and how to further dialogue between agencies at the state level.
 - ii. The group discusses the concept of initiatives (i.e. CLEG Report), and processes (evaluating effectiveness in programs).
 - iii. It is expressed that the group needs more connectivity between task forces.
 - iv. Discussion includes making a determination as to what data is needed for the evaluation and improvement process for districts/programs.

4. New business:

- a. Group divides into 3 subgroups to identify issues relating to the following: See attached notes.
 - i. Different goals, duplication of effort, different/same assessments, qualifications for programs (student/client), different data collection systems, qualifications to provide services, rules of the game, lack of funding, competition for same resources, value of education (recidivism).
 - ii. Groups report out on sub-committee meetings. See attached notes.
 - b. Patty Higgins discusses upcoming DELEG conference and role of ATF. Details to follow.
5. Meeting adjourned by Doug at 2:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Gregg B. Dionne