

Michigan Adult Education Practitioners Task Forces

Accountability Task Force
10.16.2009 Lansing, MI
Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to order:** Doug calls the meeting to order at 1:00 P.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), Mary Murphy (Mt. Pleasant Public Schools), Jeff McNeal (ETC), Robin Soergel (East Detroit), Gloria Henry (Port Huron), Michelle Irwin (L'anse Creuse)
3. **Open issues**
 - a. Transition discussion: ATF discusses the concept of transitions and how it applies to upcoming ATF work. Discussion includes the following points.
 - i. ATF role in measuring and evaluating accountability of programs statewide. This was compared to a school improvement team concept.
 - ii. The concept of a transition as a dropout point and how participants navigate from service to service. This discussion also includes criteria for students moving from exit and entry points in the continuum of services provided by community agencies.
 - iii. The group discusses the concept of initiatives (i.e. CLEG Report), and processes (evaluating effectiveness in programs).
 - iv. It is expressed that the group needs more connectivity between task forces.
 - v. Discussion includes making a determination as to what data is needed for the evaluation and improvement process for districts/programs.
4. **New business:**
 - a. Regionalization:
 - i. The group agrees that it would be beneficial to bring other community agency partners into the conversation in an effort to maximize collaboration and to also help identify a process for regions to use.

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- b. ATF Structure:
 - i. The group decides to focus on two areas for the upcoming year.
 - 1. Transitions
 - 2. Accountability
 - c. A subgroup on Goal Setting Policy to assemble and make recommendations to DELEG.
 - d. Chris VanHeel discusses the involvement of the Literacy TF and how the group will be working as a subgroup of the ATF focusing on the low level learners and how the transition process impacts these students.
- 5. Meeting adjourned by Doug at 3:00 P.M.