

Accountability and Program Performance Task Force
Minutes
03/11/05

Members Present

Cliff Akujobi, Sydney Alward, Rich Klemm, Jaffiria C. Leach-Orr, Connie May, Pat Ojala, Susan Pittman, David Porter, Kathleen Sullivan, Bill Sutter

Updates

Kathleen Sullivan gave us updated information from the February 26th Facilitators' Meeting. Professional development for assessment was discussed. Our committee has met its goals for this year. The assessment policy was temporarily tabled.

Dianne Duthie gave us updated information. The Federal Grant Application is coming out the week of March 14 and is due June 1. The federal cuts which have been discussed are for the 2006-07 school year (federal year 08). She noted that a number of emails from the department are being bounced back; therefore, notices are being mailed. There will be a Statewide Technical Assistance and State Planning Process Workshop in Grand Rapids on May 9 and 10.

Assessment Policy

The assessment abstract and technical assistance paper were reviewed and updated for recommended language.

DLEG-Approved Assessments by Learning Goal

The assessment policy and scores will be available with the Federal Grant Application next week. The task force recommendation was summarized.

Funding Policy

The funding policy was reviewed briefly and tabled until the next meeting.

GED Policy

The GED abstract was reviewed and updated for recommended language.

Terms and Definitions / Acronyms

The terms and definitions and the acronyms have been reviewed and updated by representatives of the accountability and data committees, and the combined documents were presented for review. Further updates and corrections will be made to these, and will be available for review and input from the other committees at the next meeting.

Issues and Concerns

Rich Klemm summarized the discussions from the meetings he has attended concerning the 107-B, and the two pilot programs which have begun.

Cliff Akujobi briefly discussed some of the district compliance difficulties which have been identified as a result of the program monitoring. He also addressed the intent of the 5% grant administration fee.

Next Meeting

The next Task Force Meeting will be at the Holiday Inn - Lansing West Conference Center in Lansing on Friday, April 29, 2005.