

Accountability Task force
4.20.2007
Grand Rapids, MI

Members present: Bob Steeh (Novi Schools), Jerry Emde (Godwin Schools), Rich Klemm (Niles Schools), Gregg Dionne (Hazel Park Schools), David Porter (Detroit Schools), Megan Byard (WLACE)

Meeting opened by Rich and group proceeds through the following agenda items...

1. Review of Agenda
2. Review of Travel Expense Statement completion
3. Review of meeting minutes from 2-2-2007
 - a. Jerry Emde Moves to accept and Gregg Dionne seconded and motion carries
4. TF works on Survey of Assessments analysis
 - a. Group composes opening paragraph and breaks down results by test with regards to satisfaction, reliability, cost effectiveness, and usefulness. Group also makes note of concerns and recommendations. Report to be completed by Gregg and forwarded to group to assess and present results at next meeting.
5. Group considers possible plans for 2007-2008 TF. Results are as follows.
 - a. Design and implement assessment training for practitioners.
 - b. Consider 3 conference sessions for 2008 DLEG conference
 - c. Prepare and disseminate Section 107 Narrative and Budget Technical Assistance paper
 - d. Gather information regarding special education services following adult education students
 - Possible methods: surveys to programs, funding information, and consideration the adequacy of these services for students.
 - e. Review of vocational technical/GED issue.
6. Review and status of deliverables.
 - a. ALP: Data TF reviewed and approved changes. Accountability TF agrees to forward recommendations to DLEG on 4-20-2007.
 - b. Assessment Survey: Survey results analyzed and will be presented at next meeting. (see above)
 - c. Communication Loop: Reviewed with other task forces and recommended that Accountability TF present the loop in greater detail for use by other task forces.
 - d. Cliff's Notes: Recommendations given after February meeting and TF is awaiting further assignment. (On 4-23-2007, recommendations referred to DLEG)
 - e. State Conference: Communication loops for all 3 conference sessions updated.
 - f. GED proposed changes: TF currently awaiting response from Ben Williams regarding recommendations

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- g. Definitions of in-kind and indirect costs: Federal definitions sent to Data TF 4-10-07. Follow up to be determined.
7. Meeting adjourned by Rich after discussion of progress.