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Ohio Committee of Practitioners Minutes
December 3-4, 2009

Members Attendees:
Lillian Acker, Paula Beha, Suzanne Darmer, Lisa Dickenson, Rick Dillman, Mike Geib, Larry Hickman, Scott Hummel , Ida Jones, Teresa Kucsma, Carol Padden, Gregory Towns

Members Absentees:
Mary Binegar, Barbara Bungard, Gregory Bernhardt, Ray Cook, Nancy Florence, Joyce Galbraith, Eileen Litchfield, Bob Mengerink Barbara Nourse, Judy Wahrman

Thursday, December 3, 2009
Called to Order:
Vice-Chair: Scott Hummel
Meeting called to order at 3:30 PM on Thursday, December 4, 2009.

Lillian Acker, ELL and Spanish Teacher at Gahanna Lincoln High School, and Larry Hickman, Career-Technology Executive Director at the Tri-River JVSD, were introduced to the committee as new members. Lillian was nominated by the Office of Literacy. Larry was nominated by the Office for Career-Technical Education.

Bob Mengerink was announced as a new member/representative nominated by the Buckeye Association of School Administrators (BASA). His will be in attendance at next committee meeting.

Approval of Minutes:
Minutes from the September 30-October 1, 2009 meeting were accepted as presented.

Approval of Agenda:
The agenda was approved as presented.

Ohio Teacher Incentive Fund
Staff: Maureen Yoder

Handouts: Ohio Teacher Incentive Fund booklet, Ohio TIF PPT

Maureen Yoder presented to the committee an overview of the Ohio Teacher Incentive Fund, giving a detailed past of the program. Maureen discussed the upcoming Teacher Incentive Fund grant, which will be made available from the U.S. Department of Education in 2010. It was suggested that the committee could potential serve as an advisory panel for the upcoming TIF grant to provide feedback.

The State Advisory Panel for Exceptional Children
Staff: Kathe Shelby

Handouts: None

Kathy Shelby presented to the committee an overview of another advisory council, the State Advisory Panel for Exceptional Children. A discussion of the similarities between the two committees prompted a request to investigate a possibly joint-appointment between a member of the State Advisory Panel who could serve on the Committee of Practitioners.

H.B. 1 Standards Alignment and Race to the Top (RTTT)
Staff: Dr. Stan Heffner

Handouts: Academic Content Standards Revision Proposed High School Social Studies Course Syllabi; Proposed Strand Framework; Stakeholder Involvement in the Standards Process; Content Standards (Organization by Grade Level); Student Practices in Reading, Writing, and Speaking and Listening

Stan Heffner presented to the committee an overview of the work currently underway to develop and implement a new set of academic content standards and described the impact the new standards will have with Race to the Top. The committee suggested that Stan be asked to come back and provide an update to the committee on the status of the standards development.

Dr. Cynthia Lemmerman and Stephanie Gerber discussed the School Improvement grant with the committee and provided committee members a copy of the state applications for review prior to a full discussion on the second day of the meeting.

Vice-Chair Scott Hummel recessed the CoP meeting at 7:20 pm.

<u>Friday, December 4, 2009</u>

Called to Order:
Member: Suzanne Darmer

Suzanne Darmer assumed the role of meeting chair. Meeting and reconvened the meeting at 8:00 AM on Friday, December 4, 2009.

Report of the Chair:
The committee furthered discussed the possibility of expanding committee membership to include other stakeholder groups. A request to further discuss this topic will be added to the agenda of the next committee meeting.

Legislative Update-SFS
Staff: Jeremy Marks

Handouts: SFSF Phase II Overview and ODE Action Plan memo

Jeremy Marks provided an overview of the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) and the implementation plan for Phase II. Monitoring and reporting were discussed with the committee, which provided feedback on experiences members have had with the data collection. The committee discussed the Race to the Top application that ODE is currently preparing.

School Improvement Grant
Staff: Dr. Cynthia Lemmerman and Stephanie Gerber

Handouts: School Improvement Grant Application

The requirements of the School Improvement Grant (SIG) were discussed at length by the committee. Dr. Lemmerman and Stephanie Gerber provided a timeline for submission of the SIG to the U.S. Department of Education. The committee requested to review the application during the next committee meeting.

The committee broke into smaller groups to discuss the application and provided feedback to ODE on the requirements.

SES Quality of Services and Parent Survey update
Staff: Deborah Shirley

Handouts: None

As a follow-up to a discussion at the last committee meeting, Debra Shirley presented to the committee an update on the Quality of Services (QoS) implementation plan for FY10. Information from the recent QoS rater training was shared as well as the requests of the Parent Survey pilot.

Upcoming Issues; Plus/Delta
Suzanne Darmer

Extend an invitation to Jennifer Vargo to provide the committee an update on the Parental Advisory Council; invite Stan Heffner to discuss changes in the process of updating the state Standards; Invite Dan Fleck to report to the committee on the status of the Title III Accountability updates submitted to the U.S. Department of Education; Invite Deb Telfer to discuss updates with the Ohio Improvement Process and the Ohio Leadership Advisory Council.

Adjourn
Suzanne Darmer

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM on Friday, December 4, 2009.