CSP Semi-Annual Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: July 8, 2021
Time: 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
Location: TEAMS Virtual Meeting

Attendees
Tiffany White
Karl Koenig
Stephane Lavertu
Chad Aldis
Meghann Marnecheck
John Dues
Aly Deangelo (Chris Woolard Representative)
Mary Cotton
Brandon Novosad

Agenda

CSP Round 5 Updates
- Received 11 applications
  - 2 Planning grant requests
  - 5 Year 1 Implementation requests
  - 2 Expansion requests
  - 2 Continuation requests (one Year 2 Implementation and one Expansion Year 2)

Schools with Operators
- Operator fees – are they reasonable?
- What services do they provide to the school?
- Is a termination clause in the agreement if school terminates operator’s contract?

Technical Review
- One school was deemed ineligible due to untimely submission of requested system access. They can apply with another grant, when available.
- We are looking at the arms-length relationship between schools and operators.
- One school is replicating an out of state school - could not determine eligibility, looking at California’s growth model regarding high performing schools to compare data.
  - ODE will determine eligibility on the targeted date of August 1.
- Chad Aldis – California does not have a growth model. Going forward, how are we going to define performance measures with new awards?
Team Meeting Comments:
• Meghann Marnecheck – “So there were two awarded last year, and both applied for and were qualified to receive the continuation subgrant?”
  o Tiffany Cartier White – “I believe we awarded 9, but of the 9 only 2 were able to apply for the continuation this year. 5 were awarded continuation last year, 4 were awarded year 2 grants, and 2 were year 1...which are the 2 being awarded continuation this year.  It was actually 11 awarded last year Meghann.”

Awards
• $3.6 million plus optional $600,000
• ODE is submitting a no cost extension so the schools can spend the expended funds.
• ODE will apply for next CSP Grant through USED.

USDOE New Grant Cycle – January 2022
• Can schools run parallel funds (prior incumbered funds) and new award funds?
• Issues – “Can schools with for-profit operators submit an application, due to new legislation?”
• More community schools can be opened in all challenged districts.

Independent Monitor/High-Risk Special Conditions Request
• ODE submitted a formal request to be removed from the High-Risk Special Conditions designation.
• ODE is currently awaiting a determination by USED

Semi-Annual Report
• Report will be submitted to USED by July 15, 2021.

New CSP Application Workshop
• ODE will schedule a CSP Application Workshop with the advisory committee in late October to discuss the New CSP grant application.
• Discussions will center around what the application will look like.
• Invitations have been sent.
  o Mary Cotton is waiting on responses to confirm the meeting date and time.

Culture and Relationship of ODE and Sponsors
• ODE is having meetings with sponsors to continue working on a good relationship.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:00 p.m.