

**Illinois State Board of Education
Consolidated Committee of Practitioners
Chicago Sheraton Hotel and Towers
February 6, 2012
Minutes**

Call to Order – Bernadette Anderson, CCOP Chair

Roll Call

Present:, Bernadette Anderson, Donna Boros, Warletta Brookins, Lynn Childs, Nancy Christensen, Yolanda Coleman, Jackie Daniels, Judith Green, Shirley Fowlkes, Ava Harston, Larry McVey, Karen Meucci, Darryl Morrison, Joanne Planek, Patricia Sullivan Viniard, Leotis Swopes, Dr. Vinest Steele , Kimberly Thomas, Daniel Tully

Proxy: Sandra Duckworth, Cynthia Garcia, Mary Ann Manos, Joyce McEwen

Absent: Judith Johnson and Ricardo Johnson

ISBE Staff: Cheryl Ivy and Melina Wright

Quorum present

Minutes – November 30, 2011 Meeting

Motion to Approve: Lynn Childs

Second: Jackie Daniels

Approved

Introductions

Welcome new CCOP Members:

Warletta Brookins and Kimberly Thomas

Review of CCOP Presentation

Mayfair Room Tuesday February 7, 2012

Suggestion for participants to place their information on question cards for direct response from ISBE. General questions will not be posted to website at this time. Lynn Childs will assist ISBE with responses.

Judith Green will record questions and comments.

Lynn Childs will present PowerPoint

Review of PowerPoint

Beginning of workshop session participants will be asked to write their questions on a 3 x 5 card index card. Answers will be given immediately if possible. Other questions will be answered at a later date.

Question - Has Federal requirement for CCOP changed at all?

Answer – No, ISBE has not looked for CCOP language specifically in ESEA rules

Update: Melina Wright

Illinois ESEA Waiver Proposal

Some CCOP members did attend stakeholder meetings.

ESEA Waiver Proposal will be posted on the ISBE website.

Since Nov 29 there have been 24 stakeholder meetings statewide - 3 more next week.

ISBE will have draft posted for public comment next week.

The waiver goes before the Board on the 21st. It is due Feb 21st at 5 pm, there will be revisions.

The 11 states that submitted in Nov have gone thru at least 5 revisions

Waiver is not competitive this is an open process to get approval by Dept. of Ed.

Principles 1 and 3 are full steam ahead

Principle 1 is Common Core Standards

Principle 3 is SB 7 PERA with 2014-2015 school year for Principle evaluations.

Could be shot down because waiver states 2015-2016 school year.

Work for PERA was in good faith and will not be derailed by the waiver.

IL feels they are in better place for PERA because steps are in place for evaluation. No one has been approved for waiver yet - any time someone will be approved.

Possibly CO and TN.

PERA for teachers regarding assessments - criteria will be developed by teachers. For Type 3 assessment of teachers

Comment that practical application by the district will be used by the Unions to circumvent some Evaluation processes. Much discussion regarding Type 3 assessments, 3 especially being a loophole or bypass for other subject teachers to skirt thought.

Evaluation Districts are in different places with types of assessments and may be difficult to implement due to not having expenditures in the budget for various types of assessments.

Type 3 does not mean whatever will fly in terms of assessments

Comments - the Type 3 is the only real concern with this waiver

All districts were urged with set timeframes to meet with teams to determine Type 3 evaluations.

Unions were required to participate in an effort to make the district decisions as equitable as possible.

An RFP was just released for PERA and has gone thru public comment.

PERA Pilots are being planned in IL.

Principle 2 needs approval.

AYP and stay of current year benchmarks at 85 per cent.

Choice and SES out.

Baseline data will be used for Focused and Priority schools once index is in place. Other schools may be added but do not have to go over 5 or 10 percent cent.

9 of 11 did some variations of sub groups or supper groups.

IL will report for all eleven sub groups with the sub groups braided to encapsulate more students.

200 schools don't have 200 students in super groups; there is a plan to put all sub groups in one for a super group for achievement gap calculations based on size and population.

ELL progress is being recorded; currently ELL will be included for a positive indicator.

Data showed former ELL doing well so it will be a Positive Indicator.

Transitional reports for growth will be phased in as they become available.

Progress on Access will be recoded such as Teaching ELL's.

CPS has 300 schools in PERA Pilot.

ISBE hopes to get approved by May, so ISBE will know what benchmarks will be used. Just because waiver is due on the 21st this draft may not be final implementation plan.

Early Choice notifications waiting until summer.

Transportation will be at district's discretion.

Cannot expedite process but once there are definitive answers districts will be notified.

Question regarding letters that parents have been accustomed to receiving

Answer: SES and Choice notification requirements will be in the waiver.

ISBE will come up with a template notifying parents it is no longer required.

Parent data will no longer be required.

If SES services are working, the districts may keep them.

SES will not be mandated therefore districts can select supplemental services that are beneficial to them.

Focus schools lowest 5 percent and Priority schools will have money redirected from 20 per cent for SES and Choice into those schools.

Set aside for Center for School Improvement is new and will assist with identified needs of the School in consultation with the district to use the redirected funds which are not additional funds.

See page 51 for Center for School Improvement which will operate to coordinate efforts through a Rapid Response Team.

Center for School Improvement RFP is not the same as for the Low Performing Schools.

Statewide System of Support will be redesigned as necessary and may have to reapply.

District will create local system of support a real district focused support

See page 41 and 42 for funds that must be set aside

Question: What kinds of agencies are being considered?

Answer: No preconceived notion of the agency that is applying.

Preference is for IL vendors but could theoretically have out of state vendors.

Focus of waiver is on Principle 2

Comments

ISAT cut scores need to be changed whether waiver or no waiver, to be prepared for new assessment and common core.

Question: Is alignment anticipated to ISAT and PSAE?

Answer: changing of cut scores will do that, new assessment is coming must make article shifts in current system.

Common Core aligned assessments with SCORE and PLAN.

Want to see real trajectory between 3rd and 11th grade.

Working on waiver since June, no way to think about accountability in anticipation of Fed Waiver Matrix which is the 27th reiteration of changing accountability. Hope is the term failing schools will not be seen in IL.

From focused schools to reward schools not a make it or fail scale only. Benchmarks will determine gains for each district and will lead to a nuanced way of viewing accountability Confidence intervals and safe harbor will be in plans.

Everyone gets unique AMO's, no one size fits all

There will be a proficiency and growth target that are equally weighed

ISAT in 7th grade and Explore confusion in that Explore is more meaningful in 8th grade.
Value of ISAT and Explore being used with PLAN.
State will pay for both test and PLAN cannot use Title I funds for Common Core. There is a line item in the budget for PD around Common Core

Question re impact in changing is huge and cost prohibitive and waiver does not come with funding.

Answer: Superintendent will try to find money for Explore and PLAN to take weight off of districts.

Superintendent will ask the General Assembly for additional funding

Proposal for District Oversight - page 54 Interventions.

Chronically ISBE has a list Multiple Measures that will ultimately determine take over

Question re Multiple Measures Index

Answer: Achievement WorkKeys is part of budget request Mark Williams, Career and Technical Director is working with community on Career Readiness.

PARRC currently does not contain ACT.

At this time separate scores look at index and will be broken into point values 1 to 100.

A Star Rating currently weighed about the same as Climate Survey legislation that has been passed and has not been developed yet.

Theoretically will give a state info how bonus points will be calculated and has not been determined yet space was built in for future use.

Who is administering the test is not known yet.

The idea is to redo accountability workbook to include language for the entire state.

When IDEA is reauthorized hopefully the IL accountability system will be in place to transcend what will happen with reauthorization.

Question: Are Feds considering Waivers?

Answer: not Senator Harkin at this time

Comments will be taken thru February 20.

Jennifer Chan at CPS requested a copy of draft a stakeholder meeting being scheduled with CPS On behalf of Non Public schools which are not mentioned. An issue is schools are not able to transfer flex funds - suggest funds should follow students rather than just set aside and to provide equitable service.

Melina indicated that the Feds were clear on equity issues; there will always be a Title II equitable withholding for harmless set aside.

The system will self-correct with formulas built in that does not even allow a district to transfer amounts that are not supposed to be.

Service provisions are not being waived.

Non Publics do not currently receive an equitable share for SES.

If districts are not having meaningful consultation with non-publics it is viewed as: it is the non-publics responsibility to ask questions.

There is often disconnect so ISBE is considering a webinar on how consultation works and current webinars can be shared during consultations, helps with communication process and to build trust.

Website- has overview of waiver

CCOP feedback is requested by Melina
CCOP indicated majority support.

Old Business

Report of Nominating Committee: Dr. Vinest Steele, Donna Boros, Yolanda Coleman and Karen Meucci

Slate of officers for 2011 – 2014

Chair Elect 2011-2012 and serve as Chair 2012 – 2013 – Ava Harston

Secretary 2012 – 2013 – Patricia Sullivan Viniard

Chair Elect 2012 – 2013 and serve as Chair 2013 – 2014 – Dr. Mary Manos

Respectfully Submitted by Vinest Steele, Nominating Committee Chair

Motion to accept recommendations of the Nominating Committee – Nancy Christianson

Second Kimberly Thomas

Approved unanimously

Fiscal year means new slate begins at September CCOP meeting.

New Business

Next Agenda

•RttT Update

•Waiver Update - Center for School Improve RFP

•Certification Changes

There was discussion of lapsed certificates and requirement for 9 credit hours in the area of certificate title.

Next Meeting

Discussion of NCLB CCOP By-Laws page 3 **Article V – Meetings**

Section 1 – Location

All meetings of the CCOP membership shall be held in Springfield, Illinois. The meeting place may be changed at the discretion of the Illinois State Board of education and such changes shall be stated in the notice of the meeting.

In the past the June meeting has been held in Bloomington.

Suggestion to revisit Vtel at June Meeting

Motion to meet in Bloomington by Leotis Swopes

Second by Jackie Daniels

Daniel Tully - Nay

Motion for next meeting date June 5, 2012 by Kimberly Thomas

Second by Nancy Christenson

Cheryl Ivy will let the CCOP know the location which is done by contracting.

Motion to Adjourn by Leotis Swopes

Second by Shirley Fowlkes

Adjourned at 2:18 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ava Harston, Secretary CCOP