

**Illinois Community College Board
Adult Education and Family Literacy
Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday, May 29, 2014
10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Members Present

Christina Hutcheson
Stephen Alderson
Beth Paoli
Felicia King
Audrey Jacobs
Christine Boyd
Tawanna Nickens
Felicia King
Dawn Hughes
Bevan Gibson
Sue Barauski
Rhonda Serafin
Becky Hale
Laura Benhoff
Sara Escatel

Staff Present

Jennifer Foster
Marilyn Schmidt
Jay Brooks
Nora Rossman
Nelson Aguiar
Suzanne Reese
Ben McDaniel
Samantha Brill

Members Not Present

Caprisca Randolph-Robinson
James Darden
Karen Jealouse
Jeff Tinley
Margaret Cooper
Dan Deasy
Kim Kunce
Jason Lancaster
Dorie Fornero
Mike Moline
Reni Mitkova

Introductions and Opening Comments

Advisory Council Chair, Tawanna Nickens

- Welcome to the last meeting of the year!

Review and Approval of the September 19, 2013 minutes

Minutes Approved by Christina Hutcheson (Rend Lake College)
Second by Christine Boyd (IDOC)

Updates:

Jennifer Foster, Associate Vice President for Adult Education and Workforce Development

- Looking forward to the committee recommendations. Over the summer we will review and look back at past recommendations and implementation.
- This is the last year of the 5 year Strategic Plan and we only have a few more things to accomplish.
 - It has been a great guide for us.

- We are now looking for the next iteration of the Strategic Plan.
- Workforce Investment Opportunity Act – reauthorized hopefully before end of summer/early fall.
 - The Act is focused on Career Pathways.
 - Illinois is far ahead of the game and in great shape.
 - We will still be Title II
- Jennifer has one more year as the Chairperson of the NCSDAE.
 - There is time to influence what is happening in the state and also the nation.
 - Programs from all over the country want to tap into the good things Illinois is doing.
- Brenda Dan-Messier has resigned at OCTAE, although we probably haven't seen the last of her.
 - Johan Uvin is the interim Assistant Secretary – he will be sure we are at the table!
- PIAAC
 - With the new WIOA, it will become premiere in how we look at the populations we served and making sure they have access to instructional services.
 - At the federal level we want to make sure we get an increase in base level as we implement new programs.
- Braided Funding Meeting
 - We held a meeting with State leadership to discuss how to work together on AO and to see the availability of other partner resources.
 - In the new Act, Title I and Title II performance targets will be the same with a strong emphasis on transitions to post-secondary.
- Transitions Academy
 - July 29 will be a statewide meeting.
 - July 30 will be for those newly selected programs.
- Funding
 - Slight decrease in Federal funding based on population growth.
 - We will be level funded at the state level but we need to generate more income.
 - Letters of Intent will be coming soon.
 - ICCB will be looking at the current Funding Formula in the fall. We will be looking at how to fund what is happening in programs and looking at other states performance models.
- Federal Negotiations
 - Negotiations have been very labor intensive. Targets are very high. In some areas we have to go to 49%!
 - We will be implementing the Watch/Probation list in the fall.
 - Programs will be required to have up-to-date data so that we can make real time decisions.
- Illinois High School Equivalency Test
 - We have officially moved from the GED® to the Illinois High School Equivalency Test. We will present this changes to the board in September.

Jay Brooks, Director for Adult Education

- The new reports that were talked about at the Administrators meeting are on track and you will be getting updates in the next few weeks about when they will be available.
- We are currently reviewing FY15 RFP's.
- We are trying to expediate the process for the End of Year reports.
- FY15 information is available in DAIS-i.
- Regional training information will be coming soon.

Marilyn Schmidt, Director for Adult Education

- Curriculum Institutes
 - Thanks for your response to the schedule
 - We need to look at what's happening in the classroom so that we start seeing better outcomes for our students.
 - We encourage a team for this project.

Committee Recommendations –Tab 4 in the FY15 Advisory Council notebook

Curriculum and Instruction – Chair, Christina Hutcheson

Recommendations approved by Christina Hutcheson with a second by Stephen Alderson

Transitions and Accountability – Chair, Bevan Gibson

Recommendations approved by Becky Hale with a second by Christine Boyd.

Jennifer Foster, Associate Vice President for Adult Education and Workforce Development

- Fantastic job! We appreciate your work and will look at the recommendations in the next month to month and a half.
- We are professionalizing the field of Adult Education and you should all be proud of your accomplishments!
- Thank you for your service to Adult Education!

Presentations to those leaving the Advisory Council

- Jason Lancaster, Henderson/Mercer/Warren ROE #27
- John McClure, Kennedy King College
- James Darden, Shawnee Community College
- Karen Jealouse, World Relief Aurora/DuPage
- Doreen Fornero, Regional Office of Education #40
- Margaret Cooper, Kankakee Community College
- Mike Moline, World Relief Chicago
- Sara Escatel, Illinois Valley Community College
- Christina Hutcheson, Rend Lake College
- Stephen Alderson, Instituto del Progreso Latino
- Rebecca Hale, Macon Piatt ROE
- Audrey Jacobs, YMCA Chicago
- Tawanna Nickens, Parkland College

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 18, 2014

Motion to Adjourn – 2:00 p.m.