African American Black Student Success Plan Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2015 | 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Chemeketa Eola Viticulture Center, Salem, OR

Meeting Scribe: Victoria Garcia

PARTICIPANTS

▼ Joyce Harris, Co-Chair ■ Karen Fisher Gray ■ Renee Anderson ☑ Charles McGee, Co-Chair Iris Bell ■ Rob Saxton **☒** John Scott ■ Shelaswau Crier **☒** Byron Peterson ☑ Dr. Charlene Williams **☑** Laurie Wimmer Participants via phone: ■ Mark Jackson ■ Markisha Smith **☑** Earlean Wilson-Huey ■ Monique Joseph

Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome Co-Chair Joyce Harris, Co-Chair Charles McGee	Joyce Harris welcomed advisory members and called the meeting to order. Joyce Harris asked Kendra Hughes to call roll of members attending.	Kendra Hughes called roll
	We did not review the Project Charter as we did not have a quorum. Kendra Hughes stated that the minutes from the October 23 rd meeting and along with the Project Charter will be reviewed at the 12/4 meeting.	
	We have new members who are joining us today. Joyce Harris asked them to introduce themselves to the group.	
	Self-introductions: Charlene Williams from Portland Public Schools; Earlean Wilson-Huey, Parent from Albany School District; and Rob Saxton from the Northwest Regional Education Service District	
African American/Black Student Achievement, Enrollment and Graduation Data Updates	At our first meeting we had several presentations on data and at that time the group had some questions related to the data and asked for follow up. Brian Reeder from ODE presented the information that was requested. Jon Wiens was unable to present today due to conflicts.	Brian Reeder presented a follow-up to his 10/23/15 presentation.
Brian Reeder, Assistant Superintendent, Research & Data Analysis-ODE	Brian Reeder presented data on free and reduced lunch, student achievement data from 2014-2015, an update on the Smarter Balanced data, chronic absenteeism, charter school enrollment in Oregon, achievement based on socioeconomic status, added data on Asian and Pacific Islander	
Jon Wiens, Manager, Accountability & Reporting-ODE	student groups as well as American Indian/ Alaskan Native who were left out of the data during the last presentation.	Brian will send Kendra Hughes the spreadsheet he is referencing so it can be sent out to the group. Kendra



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		Hughes will send to the advisory group.
American Indian/Alaska Native Education State Plan April Campbell, Advisor to the Deputy State Superintendent of Indian Education, Oregon	April Campbell did not present on the American Indian/Alaska Native State Plan due to an emergency. Kendra Hughes will invite her to another meeting to present the plan. Members took a break and when they come back, they will be in Resource Teams.	
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Resource Team Meetings Early Childhood to Kindergarten Kindergarten to 3rd Grade 4th Grade to Middle School Transitions 9th to 12th Grade Higher Education	Kendra Hughes reconvened the group and asked them to discuss what they heard in the morning presentation and how that content can information their identification of priorities for the team and recommendations for the plan. Resource Teams met.	Kendra advised the members that she will be providing a template to the group at the next meeting on the 4 th .
Lunch	Working Lunch	
2015 Oregon Educator	Dr. Hilda Rosselli and Dr. Markisha Smith (via phone)	
Equity Report	presented an overview of the Educator Equity report.	
Dr. Hilda Rosselli, Director, Career & College Readiness Director-Oregon Chief Education Office Dr. Markisha Smith, Director, Equity Unit-ODE	Dr. Markisha Smith provided an update on the Minority Teacher Act and where we are today. The Minority Teacher act passed in 1991 and in 2013 senate bill 755 amended that Minority Teacher Act. The changes were reflected in the definitions, there was an addition to look at English as a second language, English learners as well as how we define teachers racially and equitably. Dr. Smith is working on this along with Dr. Hilda Rosselli and group member Dr. Karen Fischer Gray. They were able to award four grants in relation to teacher recruitment. Three grants were awarded specifically to retention, this went to school districts. Dr. Smith asked if anyone had any questions. At this time no one had any questions related to the background.	
Chief Education Office Report Dr. Hilda Rosselli	Dr. Rosselli presented an overview of the Chief Education Office Report and state resources from the CEO. Dr. Rosselli asked the group to introduce themselves so that she knows the group. We will be updating the group on the new Federally required state plans.	Dr. Rosselli will share these slides with Kendra Hughes, who will send them to the group.



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	 What are the resources exist in the state What are the schools, agencies, districts doing with them to improve results for African American and Black students in P-20 settings? Kendra Hughes advised the members to think about these resources as they start to work on recommendations for the student success plan. 	
Invited Testimony Co-chair Charles McGee	Joyce Harris turned it the meeting over to Charles McGee for Invited Testimony.	
	Mr. Karanja Crews, Teaching With Purpose spoke to the advisory group. He passed out handouts to the members. Mr. Crews spoke about the Teaching with Purpose Conference. He invited a few participants who attended this conference to share their experiences. He also spoke about all community organizations working together. Kevin Walker, 6 th Grade Teacher at Faubion School in Northeast Portland gave testimony. He spoke how we are failing students of color specifically. Aimee Havens, 4 th Grade teacher at Boise-Eliot/Humboldt also gave her testimony on her work and passion for meeting the needs of her students. Aimee asked the group for more money to put toward the Teaching with Purpose Conference, it's beneficial.	
Public Testimony Co-chair Charles McGee	Mr. Aaron Crews asked for more books with African American children who look like him in them.	
Wrap up & Next Steps	None	
Adjourn	1:45 p.m.	

Next meeting: Friday, December 4, 2015 at the Oregon Department of Education

