

Educator's Common Core Implementation Task Force
Tuesday, March 25, 2014 – 4:30-6:00pm
State Department of Education, 25 Industrial Park Road, Conference Room MCR3, Middletown

Minutes

Committee Chairs: Erin Wilson, Nate Quesnel

Committee Members: Jim Accomando, Elizabeth Brown, Diana Burns, Ken Daly, Anthony Ditrio, Patti Fusco, Juanita Harris, Don Harris, Anne Jellison, Barbara Johnson, Edith Johnson, Sue Loud, Sean McKenna, William McKinney, Elizabeth Misiewicz, Vicki Reed, Dianna Roberge-Wentzell, Susan Schmidt, Paula Talty, Ivelise Velazquez, Bruce Yarnall, Candy Yeager

- I. Meeting opens at 4:30pm.
- II. Chairs Erin Wilson and Nate Quesnel welcome the task force members and other attendees.
- III. Committee members introduce themselves to each-other and then go around the table to publicly introduce themselves.
- IV. Chair Nate Quesnel reads a letter from Governor Malloy and Lt. Governor Wyman to the task force that outlines their assignment. Suggests referring to the task for as the Common Core Task Force.
- V. Chair Nate Quesnel points out that the task force won't focus on the validity or adoption of CCSS. It won't focus on additional SDE initiatives associated with CCSS. He reviews the purpose of the task force:
 - a. Review of current strengths/weaknesses in CCSS implementation
 - b. Showcase best practices in CCSS implementation
 - c. Recommend improvements in CCSS implementation
 - d. Focus on solutions
- VI. Chair Erin Wilson reviews draft norms:
 - a. Be a voice
 - b. Listen
 - c. Be solution based
 - d. Put kids front and center
- VII. Chair Erin Wilson introduces a table activity in which task force members create a timeline of their experience with CCSS from July 2010 until today. Task force members work in groups and several share their timelines with the entire task force.

VIII. Chair Nate Quesnel introduces the task force logic framework. 5 buckets for analysis and discussion during meetings:

- a. Knowledge of CCSS
- b. Curriculum Writing/Implementation at local level
- c. Development of Instructional Competencies
- d. Community Engagement
- e. Resource Commitment
- f. Other

IX. Chair Nate Quesnel announces that the task force will meet on a biweekly basis on Wednesdays from 4:30-6:00pm going forward. The goal of the committee is to produce a draft document by May 21 and reach consensus of the entire task force by June 4. He also asks that task force members leave Wednesdays between May 21-June 4 open in the event that additional meetings need to be scheduled.

X. Chair Nate Quesnel says that the next meeting of the task force will be on April 9th at 4:30pm at a location to be determined and announced.

XI. Chairs Erin Wilson and Nate Quesnel adjourn the meeting at 6:00pm.