

Principal Project Advisory Team

Wednesday, January 25, 2017 (11:30 am – 2:30 pm)

New York State Education Department

89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY (Room 5A-5B)

1. Welcome, Introductions, Objectives, and Minutes (11:30 am)

Co-Chairs Nell Scharff-Panero and David Flatley

- Reach consensus on belief statements
- Recognize nat'l efforts to create standards for SBL programs (aligned to CAEP & 2015 Prof's Standards for Educ'l Leaders)
- Learn from those successful at competency-based certification, year-long internship, increasing diversity of principal ranks
- Identify key elements for recommendations in area of Standards, Internship, Prof'l Learning, Diversity, P12-HE Partnership
- Review and either accept "as is" or agree on any needed change to minutes from meeting #3 (November 30, 2016)
- 2. Old Business Carryover from Meeting #3 (11:35 pm)
 - Beliefs Statements
 - o Compare revised belief statements (that incorporate suggested improvements) to language in the initial drafts
 - Review SurveyMonkey results and identify the revised belief statements that have overwhelming Advisory Team support
- Update on Nat'l Efforts to Develop Program Standards that Reflect Prof'l Standards for Educ'l Leaders & CAEP Standards (11:45 pm)
 - Presentation by Michelle Young (Advisory Team member and Exec. Dir. of the University Council for Educational Administration)
 - Open whole group discussion about the implications for the work of the Advisory Team
- 4. Expanding the Universe of Possibility around our Areas of Focus (12:15 pm)
 - Before we narrow the range of possibilities and define/detail our recommendations we want to harness our creative energy
 - You have three minutes for the first part of this activity
 - Take a post-it and work silently and on your own to answer the following question (use 20 words or less):
 - "What is the boldest possible way to improve school building leader preparation?"
 - o If you have a second and uniquely different bold idea, record your idea on a second post-it
 - o Repeat this for every uniquely-different idea you can imagine
 - o Form groups of 3; for 5 minutes compare notes; be ready to report 2 ideas (list on chart paper); In whole group, report out.
- 5. Learning what works (12:30 pm)
 - 15-minute presentations by representatives of organizations that have implemented ideas we're considering (includes Q&A);
 - Competency-based certification
 - Massachusetts Dept of Education (Terry Orr from Bank Street presents on PAL, Performance Assessment for Leaders)
 - P12-Higher Education Partnerships that have involved some form of full-time internships
 - UBuff (Steve Jacobson) & 4 districts (*Leadership Initiative for Tomorrow's Schools*) teamed on paid, year-long internship
 - SUNY Plattsburgh (Steve Danna) & Cambridge Central District (Colleen McDonald) teamed on paid year-long internship
 - o Career ladders leading to principal-ship
 - Ossining District (Supt Raymond Sanchez & Nancy de la Cruz-Arroyo) and STLE-funded, 6-tier path to the principal-ship
- 6. Break-Out Group Meetings (1:30 pm)
 - Break into small groups
 - o 2015 Standards: replace 2008 standards with 2015 standards for principals and 2015 standards for principal supervisors
 - o P12-Higher Education Partnership: improve productivity & inter-dependency between P12 districts & higher ed institutions
 - o Authentic Experiences & Internship: expand opportunities for candidates to apply knowledge & skill under real conditions
 - Diversity: produce leaders from varied backgrounds and prepare them to meet the varied learning needs of students
 - o Prof'l Learning: improve support for situational awareness, shared leadership, system thinking, stakeholder engagement
 - Record consensus findings. For last 15 minutes, pair up another group. Describe findings. Invite feedback. Take notes.
- 7. Adjourn (2:30 pm)