

# IDEA Advisory Committee Meeting

## Bismarck, North Dakota (IVN)

### MINUTES

DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

1:00 – 4:00 PM

PRAIRIE HILLS COMPLEX, (IVN)

<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	Tyler Hanson, Chairperson
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	IDEA Advisory Meeting (IVN)
<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Alison Dollar
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Kathy Smith
<b>TIMEKEEPER</b>	
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Alison Dollar, Kathy Smith, Guy McDonald, Mary McCarvel-O'Connor, Tyler Hanson, Nancy Skorheim, Gerry Teevens, Ed Boger, Eric Whittliff, Rita Weisz, Cathy Haarstad, Dawn Olson, Nancy Skorheim, Pam Aman, Cindy Lund, Jacki Harasym, Tony Fladeland, Anthony Arnold, Katherine Terras

### Agenda topics

#### ESEA WAIVER UPDATE

TYLER HANSON

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Tyler Hanson reported on the ESEA waiver. Tyler is a part of the waiver group considering the waiver. More information is available at <a href="http://www.ndcel.org">www.ndcel.org</a> . A decision has not been made whether ND will apply for the ESEA waiver. A decision will most likely be made in January. The draft application will be posted on the NDDPI's website when available.	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	A decision has not been made whether ND will apply for the ESEA waiver.	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
An update will be provided at the next IDEA Advisory meeting.	Tyler Hanson	

#### APR UPDATE

ALISON DOLLAR

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Alison went through the indicators that there was data for. For the most part North Dakota doing very well. Some of the data aren't completely "cleaned up" yet but the preliminary data look good. OSEP is reviewing the APR indicators and will be making revisions before the Feb 2013 submission. Right now it looks like Indicators 9 and 10; and indicators 18 and 19 will be combined, and Indicators 16 and 17 will be dropped in the future. The final decision and document will be available in June or July 2012.	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Overall, the APR data shows that North Dakota is doing well. The committee will have an opportunity to review the APR draft before submission and submit any comments to Alison.	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
APR is due February 1	Alison Dollar	

## DISCRETIONARY GRANT UPDATE

ALISON DOLLAR

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Alison reported on the discretionary grant process. It is the first discretionary grant round since 2008. New applications will be out in January for the 2012-2013 grants. The 2011-2012 grant applications have been approved. 16 of the 18 grant applications submitted were funded. Aimsweb, math intervention, read 180 and parent involvement are some examples of discretionary grant use.	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	16 of the 18 discretionary grants applied for were fully funded.	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Alison will provide a copy of the discretionary grant log to committee members.	Alison Dollar	

## RTI UPDATE

BRENDA OAS

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Brenda gave an update on the RTI. The NDDPI is preparing to write new administrative rules to address the RTI for identification of students with learning disabilities. A workgroup will be meeting to develop language within the next two months to submit a draft rule by February 1, 2012. As part of our statewide effort to scale up RTI implementation in ND schools, the NDDPI will develop guidance materials and a training process for use of evidence-based practices and fidelity of implementation. Brenda hopes to begin training on the guidelines by October 2012. Public comment would begin in February.	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	A draft administrative rule (RTI for identification for students with disabilities) will be submitted by February 2012.	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Early January, a draft of the proposed rule will be provided to the committee for comment.	Brenda Oas	

## SECONDARY TRANSITION

GERRY TEEVENS

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Gerry Teevens gave an update on secondary transition, indicators 13 and 14.</p> <p>Indicator 13 relates to transition services for students. 61 (18%) IEPs out of compliance with Indicator 13 during the state review. 100% of the 61 IEPs were verified by NDDPI as corrected as of November 30, 2011.</p> <p>Indicator 14 relates to the percent of youth who are no longer in secondary school, had IEPs in effect at the time they left school and were: enrolled in higher education within one year of leaving, enrolled in higher education of competitively employed or in some other employment within one year of leaving. There was a 34.2% response rate to the survey. 50.2% were enrolled in higher education, 67.5% competitively employed or enrolled in higher ed and 83.4% were in some type of employment, enrolled in higher ed or competitively employed.</p> <p>Some of the 2010-2011 state transition community of practice advisory activities included: transition assessment, parent and student brochures and guardianship brochure. There is regional transition committee training on December 20, 2011.</p>	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
n/a		

EARLY CHILDHOOD TRANSITION

NANCY SKORHEIM

<p><b>DISCUSSION</b></p>	<p>Nancy Skorheim reported on indicator 6, 7 and 12. Indicator 6 is the counterpart to Indicator 5. With indicator 6 the NDDPI does not have to report it on this APR but the next one. Indicator 7 is the early childhood outcomes indicator. The formula is complicated and the early childhood systems change was put in place 6 years ago. This indicator measures how well an early childhood system is in a district. The NDDPI utilizes the child outcomes summary form to document three child outcomes scores. It provides a 7 point scale for describing children's functioning compared to age expectations in each of the three outcome areas required by OSEP. See table included in "Data Talking Points" handout for details on each category. Indicator 7 data are gathered through TIENET.</p> <p>Tara Bitz, who has the early childhood portfolio, is developing a rubric on what makes a good early childhood curriculum.</p> <p>Indicator 12 relates to early childhood transition. The NDDPI used information in TIENET and unit spreadsheets. The NDDPI found that TIENET had more children transitioning than the unit spreadsheets so the data were cleaned up: 399 kids this year were referred from Part C; 102 kids were eligible</p>	
<p><b>CONCLUSIONS</b></p>	<p>The NDDPI is very close to the targets on Indicator 7 and is very close to the national average.</p>	
<p><b>ACTION ITEMS</b></p>	<p><b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b></p>	<p><b>DEADLINE</b></p>
<p>Indicators 7 and 12 will be submitted February 1 with APR submission.</p>	<p>Alison Dollar</p>	