



Iowa Assessment Task Force

Meeting Notes

July 30, 2014, 9:00 am – 10:00 am

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Notes:

The Task Force meeting convened via Adobe Connect Pro at 10:00 am with a quorum.

Agenda Item: Determine plan for evaluating multiple forms of data in round two

Task Force Facilitator Stumbo reviewed the status of the Task Force's deliberations on July 17. She reviewed the "Fist to Five" voting procedure for today's meeting.

Voting Procedure for Consensus

1. ("Fist") Cannot live with this option
2. Need to raise concerns before feeling comfortable in supporting the option
3. Would support this option
4. Enthusiastically support this option
5. Love it and will be a champion

The Task Force discussed potential criteria for the next round of deliberations. The Task Force agreed to use the following criteria:

- a. Evidence from round 1 plus additional evidence from the interview and Task Force-generated evidence
- b. Presentation and experience of the test developer
- c. Review of test items
- d. References (user experiences)
- e. Cost

The Task Force discussed several options for how to evaluate assessment developers against the criteria. The Task Force conducted straw polls on three of the identified options:

OPTION ONE: Base the final decision on the following criteria, with no pre-determined weights and no numeric scores. **STRAW POLL RESULTS:** 3 people at a 4 on the "Fist to Five" scale above; 9 people at 3; 4 people at a 2.

OPTION THREE: Develop a simple rating scale on the five criteria to come up with a final score. **STRAW POLL RESULTS:** 1 person at a 1; 1 person at a 2; 10 people at a 3; 4 people at a 4.

OPTION FOUR: Develop a simple rating scale to come up with a final score based on all criteria as a whole. STRAW POLL RESULTS: 2 people at a 1; 2 people at a 2; 5 people at a 3; 6 people at a 4.

Given results of the straw polls and the fact that no Task Force member gave Option One a 1 (“Fist” Cannot live with this option), the Task Force voted to use Option One for making the final recommendations: Base the final decision on the five criteria, with no pre-determined weights and no numeric scores.

Agenda Item: Review next steps and schedule for the rest of the year

Stumbo reminded the group that small-groups will meet on August 14 and the Task Force will meet on September 17. The Task Force agreed to meet October 15, November 4, and December 10.

Agenda Item: Other business

There was no other business

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.