

Iowa Assessment Task Force

Wednesday, December 10, 2014, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Notes

Notes submitted by Circe Stumbo

ATTENDEES:

Task Force Members:

Dave Tilly (Chair), Ruth Allison, Catherine Blando, Shelly Bosovich, Kathy Brenny, Martha Bruckner, Joe DeHart, Lowell Ernst, Harry Heiligenthal, Tina L. Hoffman, JoEllen Latham, Jane Lindaman, Jon W. McKenzie, Angela Olson, Elliot Smith, Denise Wall, Tammy Wawro, Melanie Wirtz, and Karen Woltman

Facilitator:

Circe Stumbo

DE Staff Observers:

Colleen Anderson; Tom Deeter; Connor Hood

Members of the public also were in attendance

NOTES:

The meeting was convened at the Iowa Department of Education at 10:00 am on Wednesday, December 10.

Agenda Item: Welcome, introductions, review and approve agenda

There were no changes to the proposed agenda.

Agenda Item: Review, adjust, and approve draft report

The Task Force broke into small-groups to draft sections of the rationale behind each recommendation, then discussed the draft narrative as a whole-group. After discussion, Hoffman moved and Wirtz seconded that the dissent be moved to be the first appendix. An amendment was offered by Bruckner and seconded by Smith that the dissent be kept moved to the end of the discussion of each recommendation, before the end of the report. The amendment was accepted by Hoffman and Wirtz as a friendly amendment. The motion passed with no votes against.

Agenda Item: Review and approves notes of past meetings

Smith offered corrections to the notes from the November 2014. The Task Force agreed that the November 2014 notes captured the discussion.

Agenda Item: Discuss talking points

The Task Force did not have time to discuss talking points.

Agenda Item: Other business

The Task Force agreed to meet on December 17 from 7:00 – 8:00 am to finalize the report. Given the short duration of the meeting and the week's notice, it was agreed to meet virtually via Zoom (which allows for both computer-based and phone-based access to the meeting).

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm.