

# **P20 WIN Executive Board Meeting - Agenda**

# Wednesday 5/26/21, 3:00pm – 4:00pm Teams Meeting

#### 1. Welcome

Commissioner Bye called the meeting to order at 3:02pm. She made introductory remarks about this meeting being a watershed moment where all 10 Participating Agencies of the newly expanded P20 WIN are present.

#### 2. Public Comment

No one from the Public was in attendance.

#### 3. Roll Call

Present: Beth Bye, Chair (OEC), Charlene Russel-Tucker (SDE), Kurt Westby (DOL), Lloyd Blanchard (UConn), Jennifer Widness (CCIC), Dr. Jane Gates (CSCU), Tim Larson (OHE), Michael Williams (DCF), Kathy Brennan (DSS), Evonne Klein (CCEH), Scott Gaul (OPM)

Guests from Agencies: Patrick Flaherty (DOL), Jan Kiehne (CSCU), Rachel Leventhal-Weiner (OEC), Linda Casey (CCEH), Ram Aberasturia (OHE), Kathy Marioni (DOL), Laurie Colbourn (DOL), Anne Rugens (DOL), Manisha Srivastava (OPM)

### 4. System Updates

Data Request Calendar currently has three active data requests. A Data Sharing Agreement is being drafted for the Pre-K Lottery Outcomes data request, one data request on Post-secondary outcomes is in the data collection phase, and the request on College and Career Success is in the analytic phase. These are just a few examples of the types of work that can be done through P20 WIN.

Commissioner Russell-Tucker shared the report recently published by SDE on college enrollment, college attainment and remediation:

http://edsight.ct.gov/relatedreports/P20WIN%20Entrance%20Remediation%20Credit%20Attainment.pdf. Annual report to see if students who enter are on track and how policy decisions on remediation impact students. Saw decrease in remediation, but same demographics at highest levels. The report will be shared with the Board.

Commissioner Westby mentioned that DOL has been with P20 WIN from the beginning. DOL recently matched homeless data with WIOA database and results were much different than expected. It is important for agencies to see where there are discrepancies in data quality and collection.



Rachel Leventhal-Weiner shared the ECE Reporter that is in use with SDE to follow students and have a full and complete dataset of Early Childhood programs, which can help the agency look at outcomes.

### 5. **P20 WIN Enterprise Agreements**

Commissioner Bye shared that the team at OPM has been working diligently for over a year with both legacy and incoming Participating Agencies to draft a process document that outlines how data can be shared in a secure environment. The Enterprise Memorandum of Understanding is a process document that establishes a governance structure, the data sharing management process and security measures for all Participating Agencies, regardless whether the data are identifiable or de-identified.

This eMOU and its appendices have been reviewed by all Participating Agencies, their counsel, OPM counsel, and the Attorney General's Office.

It is important to recognize the current Participating Agencies and the work they have done over the last several years that allowed for the expansion of P20 WIN. The legacy Participating Agencies are: Office of Early Childhood, State Department of Education, Department of Labor, University of Connecticut, CT Conference of Independent Colleges and CT State Colleges and Universities.

The incoming Participating Agencies are: Department of Children and Families, Office of Higher Education, Department of Social Services, CT Coalition to End Homelessness. Board members from each of the new agencies mentioned the value that comes with being a part of P20 WIN. Deputy Commissioner Williams talked about the ability to access and analyze data can support improvement. Data sharing can help inform how to better serve residents in Connecticut.

Commissioner Bye acknowledged that nonprofits serve a key role in the state and asked for any missing agencies or organizations be shared with the OPM team. DPH (WIC), Beacon Health and other connections were suggested.

The Enterprise MOU needs to be signed by all Participating Agencies. Commissioner Bye asked the group how and when to sign the document. Deputy Commissioner Kathy Brennan, Deputy Commissioner Mike Williams, Commissioner Russell-Tucker, Commissioner Westby, Director Tim Larson, and CCEH Interim President Evonne Klein spoke in support of the new Enterprise MOU. Commissioner Bye asked for a show of hands in support of approving the agreement. Hands in support included OEC, SDE, DOL, OPM, CCIC, UConn, OHE, DCF, DSS, and CCEH. Dr. Gates indicated that CSCU looks forward to signing but had remaining questions related to FERPA, which will require



follow-up after the meeting. There was some discussion about scheduling a public signing ceremony and inviting Governor Lamont. Commissioner Westby noted that the Governor values data and should see the progress of P20 WIN.

#### 6. **P20 WIN system sustainability**

Commissioner Bye described the vision in the ARPA proposals reinforces the need to share data with the new agencies.

Scott Gaul reviewed existing policies for system costs and funding sources, including the in-kind contributions and shared system costs and the fee policy for external requestors. An approach to move forward and sustain the new expanded system includes a mix of federal and grant resources. Commissioner Bye encouraged all agencies to keep an eye out for grant and other funding opportunities for data sharing opportunities.

Jen Widness shared that there is a <u>COVID-19 Education Research Collaborative</u> led by UConn with SDE in partnership with CCIC and CSCU to identify ways to leverage ARPA funds to look at learning loss. There was some interest in establishing a comparable working group for P20 WIN to meet over lunch and identify programs within P20 WIN that could be funded by ARPA or other sources. This is an opportunity to share knowledge and information and move away from working in siloes.

## 7. Resident Advisory Board

Included in the eMOU is a Resident Advisory Board, which would function to advise DGB and EB members to ensure that P20 WIN promotes equity and that research and data sharing efforts do not negatively impact families and communities.

Commissioner Bye stressed the importance of the Resident Advisory Board that can build on existing efforts. There are several existing groups at different agencies with a focus on community engagement.

Linda Casey from CCEH identified two possible emerging partners – CLIP and the CT Race Equity Network – as resources to engage as we develop the P20 WIN Resident Advisory Board. They work to make sure people with lived experience are engaged.

Commissioner Russell-Tucker described the Commissioner's Roundtable for Family and Community Engagement in Education, created in 2016, which brings parents and members of the community to provide feedback on policy. The Commissioner recommended that regular actors nominate people to participate, which would bring great diversity to the work.

Members were asked if they have staff who can assist in development of plan to create the Resident Advisory Board. The time commitment is two-three hours, with a pre-read



and 2 meetings and a planned report-out to this Board in August. Interested staff should reach out to Katie Breslin to participate.

# 8. Next Steps

A working lunch meeting was proposed to identify programs that could benefit or be funded by American Rescue Plan funds. This is a collaborative effort to move away from siloed efforts.

A working group for developing the Resident Advisory Board needs members. The plan is due to the Executive Board at the August meeting. Commitment is approximately three hours. Contact Katie Breslin to get involved.

# 9. Adjournment

The meeting ended at 3:57pm.