P20 WIN Executive Board Meeting – Minutes

Tuesday 03/15/21, 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Teams Meeting

1. **Welcome**
   Commissioner Bye welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2022. Hope to continue the good work from 2021 – to look at data in a unified manner and reduce silos. The meeting was called to order at 2:03pm

2. **Public Comment**
   No one from the public made a comment to the Board.

3. **Roll Call**
   Present: Beth Bye, Chair (OEC), Dante Bartolomeo (DOL), Lloyd Blanchard (UConn), Diedre Gifford (DSS), Ken Klucznik (CSCU), Scott Gaul (OPM), Charlene Russell-Tucker (SDE), Kelli Vallieres (OWS), Jennifer Widness (CCIC), Michael Williams (DCF)

   Absent: Evonne Klein (CCEH), Tim Larson (OHE), Jen Widness (CCIC)

   Guests: Patrick Flaherty (DOL), Rachel Leventhal-Weiner (OEC), Susan Smith (DSS), Jan Kiehne (CSCU), Niall Dammando (OWS), Coral Wonderly (OPM)

4. **Office of Workforce Strategy Data Request**
   During the 2021 session, the legislature put into statute a data request that would be submitted by the Chief Workforce Officer in consultation with the Chief Data Officer and the Commissioner of the Department of Labor. The Office of Workforce Strategy (OWS) team has been working with the Data Governing Board to begin the process.

   OWS is focused on obtaining workforce outcomes to use data to back up and support programs, opportunities to improve programming and the data necessary to make decisions What are long-term impacts for people who went through the programs?

   Letter will be shared with Executive Board following the meeting. A formal data request will be submitted that looks at measuring enrollment in workforce programs.

   There were some questions asking if public benefits would be an outcome or predictor since public benefits can and do support people as they are in workforce programs.

   Additional questions focused on timing and engaging with other stakeholders and leveraging technological improvements to state systems.

Discussion addressed consent management, UI modernization, benefits cliffs and more. The May meeting will continue this discussion.

5. **Review Onboarding Policy**

   In the next few meetings, we hope to onboard new agencies to P20 WIN. The current onboarding process was reviewed. Board members observed that the current process is cumbersome and could be streamlined.

   The Board identified additional state agencies to engage, including Office of Health Strategy and the Department of Housing.

6. **CT Project**

   Garth Harries of The CT Project shared with the Board the start of a new project. The CT Project is a philanthropic effort that is looking at how non-state actors can support state data work.

   Harries' team is conducting interviews to learn about data outcomes in state agencies. They want data to be a proactive tool, but the work is still being defined and they are determining where best to put their resources.

   Commissioner Russell-Tucker mentioned the Research Collaborative could be a partner to their work. It is run by SDE and UConn and recently received a national highlight for how the state is tracking COVID resources.

7. **Updates**

   Written updates on the SLDS grant and data requests will be shared with the Executive Board.

8. **Next Steps**

   Topics for the May Executive Board meeting will focus on the IT centralization effort and continued discussion on the OWS request and benefits cliffs.

9. **Adjournment**

   The meeting is adjourned. The time is 2:58 pm.