

Minutes MOEC Executive Board Meeting November 17, 2014

READS Collaborative - Middleborough

<u>Attendance</u>: Cathy Cummins, Catherine Cooper, Richard Murphy, Colleen Dolan, Joanne Haley Sullivan, Bill Diehl, Cathy Lawson, Theresa Craig, Liz McGonagle, Steve Theall.

The meeting began at 9:35 am with Steve Theall's <u>Executive Director's report</u>. He announced that Sandy Daigneault is the interim director at CASE and that an interim director at Southern Worcester will be announced soon. Cathy Cummins will assume the role of MOEC Central Region representative for the time being.

Angela Burke of CES and Sarah Kyriazis of AVC then provided <u>Google Docs training</u> to the board members.

The board then discussed the steps involved in taking the "next generation" of educational collaboratives from the conceptual to the operational. The recent DDM grants and RETELL roll out were discussed as examples of recent statewide work undertaken by collaboratives. The board discussed the benefit of solidifying the rules of engagement with DESE.

The <u>regional representatives</u> then provided their reports:

The two collaboratives in the <u>West region</u> are continuing to meet regularly and are also continuing to work on strengthening their relationships with school districts in Berkshire County.

The <u>North region</u> is continuing work on professional development initiatives and after-school enrichment programs.

The <u>Greater Boston region</u> had a recent conference call to discuss restraint and seclusion, DDM waivers, sharing DDM among collaboratives, and data collection/analysis.

The <u>South region</u> has been meeting regularly. The region is talking about launching a Virtual Learning initiative in the fall and has also been discussing E-rate and EDWIN. In November, the region ran a successful Professional Development day for low incidence teachers.

At the <u>Central region's</u> last meeting, the collaboratives discussed supporting the Central Mass Collaborative's goal of opening a recovery high school. The region is looking for projects they can accomplish together. One possibility is a regional professional development program on school security. In December, Assabet Valley and ACCEPT are hosting a joint special education directors' meeting with Carla Jentz of ACE and Matt Holloway of DESE. The topic will be the implementation of the education evaluation system.

The board then reviewed a written report from the MOEC treasurer.

The minutes from the September board meeting were unanimously approved.

Steve Theall announced that DESE has approved a <u>new SPED Transportation Task force grant.</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 pm