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Concurrent Enrollment Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Date: **Thursday, January 25 2018**
Location: **Colorado Springs School District 11**
2560 International Cir, Colorado Springs, CO 80910
Time: **1:00 – 4:00pm**

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Board Attendance:

Sarah Heath	Tammy Ward
Rick Sciacca	Rebecca Fernandez-Martinez
Diana Zakhem	Dan Hoff
Georgia Reagan	Sheri Bryant

On the Phone:

Heather Exby	Danny Martinez
Susan Clough	

Review of minutes from November 13, 2017 meeting: *Sarah Heath*

- Heather Exby requested the wording "to support CE initiatives for postsecondary pathway readiness" be added to Tammy Ward's title.
- Motion to approve with correction by Rick Sciacca. 2nd by Heather Exby. All in favor: approved.

CDE Updates

· **Legislative Updates** – *Andy Tucker, new Director of Postsecondary Readiness*
- 2018 Legislative Session just started - no major items to report.
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Program Updates - *Mary Anne Hunter*
- 2017-18 Career Success Pilot Program participation process webinar is scheduled for Thursday, February 15 from 2:00–3:00.
- 2018-19 ASCENT Program process webinar was scheduled for Wednesday, January 24.
  - Both Webinar recording links will be posted to respective webpages. Participation documents for both programs will be posted to webpages in mid-February and will be announced in the Scoop.

- Graduation Rate Reporting Guidance for ASCENT (HB17-1294) and PTECH (HB17-1194) are now available on each program's webpages.
  - ASCENT: students can be reported in HS grad rate in the year in which they complete the district's graduation requirements and can be allowed to participate in graduation ceremonies. ASCENT students cannot receive their official high school diploma until they complete the ASCENT program.

- AP Courses counting for ASCENT 12 postsecondary credit hours – see Q&A

- CE coding training session during July 26th meeting - Tammy Ward indicated that suggestions are being made and reviewed to add course coding and improve SURDS data. Consensus will be need by all IHEs.

CDHE Updates – *Carl Einhaus*

- **Master Plan Goals**:
  - o 66% of CO earned credential by 2021
  - o Workforce will require some sort of credential to meet demands
    - ▪ Now- 55% have a credential
  - o Concurrent Enrollment plays a large part in reaching those goals and closing the attainment gaps
    - ▪ Effective tool, especially for underrepresented students
    - ▪ Working to better educate public on CE and other programs
    - ▪ Data tracking is being improved so that the full impact of CE is captured.

- **Open educational resources**- students can access textbooks and other supplies free of charge. Recommendation made to create a 3-year grant to focus on courses guaranteed to transfer.

- **Educator shortage legislation** – a Taskforce proposal has been submitted to the general assembly related to how to send teachers back to college and obtain further credentialing to be able to meet requirements to teach concurrent enrollment courses.

- CDHE is working with districts on **data discrepancies**.

  - o Can data be shared data among state agencies more efficiently?
    - ▪ Districts and Colleges must improve communication first before agencies can address that.
    - ▪ Districts might be able to identify discrepancies before the state agencies receive the data.
    - ▪ DHE could share their data collection and verification process at a future CEAB meeting.

- Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative (COSI) - *Kate Berg, Student Success Advocate* - see PowerPoint presentation
  - o Addresses two main challenges: accessibility and affordability.
  - o Possible utilization:
    - ▪ Scholarships for high school teachers to become CE certified
      - • Approximately 54 teachers on the Western slope
    - ▪ Use COSI to leverage existing scholarships and current workforce centers that would like to apply for future COSI grants.

- **HB18-1052 - Exception To 2-year Higher Education Service Areas —** Introduced to allow districts to seek services/support outside of designated service area when a college in a service area cannot or will not provide services to a district.

Previous discussions follow up:

CCCS, CDE & CDHE data sharing/privacy meeting update - *Tammy Ward*
- Project request- Office 365:
    - Cooperative agreement renewal will contain a data sharing clause.
    - Data sharing clause to be included in the student concurrent enrollment agreement.

Attendance Verification requirement for ASCENT & CE students – *Mary Anne Hunter*
- Current requirement:
    Students Taking All of Their Courses at a Non-District Location
If students are taking **all** of their courses at off-site locations in which attendance is **not** logged in the district's SI System by district staff (including off-site course taken at the IHE), then the district will be required to provide alternative documentation evidencing attendance for these students… see *Student October Count Attendance Requirements Concurrent Enrollment & ASCENT*

- CEAB discussion and decision history:
CDE School Finance presented various options for CEAB to consider in changing the attendance verification requirements for ASCENT students taking **all** courses at off-site location, at the July, 2014 CEAB meeting. CDE School Finance worked with the Office of the Attorney General to clarify the intent of the law regarding the attendance requirement. CDE's School Finance Unit drafted the *Student October Count Attendance Requirements Concurrent Enrollment & ASCENT* to further clarify the CE and ASCENT attendance requirements. Ultimately, CEAB decided not to pursue rule changes as the revised guidance on attendance adequately addressed their concerns. It was agreed that CDE would continue to enforce existing guidance.

Public Input
- Can CDE obtain a statewide Syncplicity license for districts and IHEs to utilize to transfer student data? CDE is looking into this.
- Terry Whitney, College Board - AP data from academic year 2016-17 will be released next week.

Action Plan and Next Steps
- Legislative updates
- Data sharing update – Michael Vente & Tammy Ward
- Next meeting: *Date:* **April 26, 2018.** *Location:* **Jeffco**

Meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm