



The Effective Programs & Quality Outcomes Committee met via conference call on **Tuesday, January 06, 2015 at 2:00PM EST**, 1:00PM CST, 12:00PM MST, 11:00AM PST, 10:00AM AKST.

Participating in the call were: Mike Radke (Co-chair—MI); Margaret MacKinnon (AK); Trish Boland (CO); Cindy Hurst (IN); Bernell Cook (LA); Tina McKnight (MD); Marcus Cheeks (MS); Jack O'Connor (MT); and Bob Harmon (NASTID CEO—WA).

AGENDA

1. Updates from Bob on status of any videos planned at the conference and what NASTID already has

Bob reported that there is room for six one-hour videotaped sessions, and assuming they are a standard format (that we know about well in advance), there won't be any additional cost. Editing and other post-taping modifications will, however, be charged separately, if needed. A solicitation of videotaped materials from states resulted in a "hodgepodge" of mixed formats and was judged unusable.

2. Focused discussion about opportunities at National Conference, if any, and how to leverage and use to advantage

The preceding information lead to an in-depth discussion on how to move forward with producing videotapes of Distinguished Schools. Many different opinions and good ideas were expressed. Members were cognizant of the short time-line between now and the Conference. It was decided to have Mike Radke be the point person on the effort and to work with Bob to plan, schedule, and conduct interviews of principals and staff of Distinguished Schools. Margaret, Cindy, Tina, and Bernell offered to help. Members on the call were asked to submit Distinguished Schools contact information to Bob and Mike--if they thought one or both of their state's schools would like to participate. Mike asked about Distinguished Schools presentations already scheduled for the Conference. Bob said he would find out.

3. Pilot Survey of Title I Distinguished Schools--Update and Next Steps

Bob reported that—at one point—the project was "dead in the water." Wayne Sailor (Kansas University SWIFT Center) relayed that, despite repeated efforts to clearly define the pilot survey effort (involving Title I Distinguished Schools and their success with disadvantaged students and students with disabilities), the SWIFT Center Project

Managers had determined that the proposal was outside the scope of work of the Center and they did not think it was appropriate to brief Ruth Ryder (Director OSEP). However, the Project Managers actually did brief Ruth on the proposed pilot project at a previously scheduled meeting. Wayne told Bob that the doors were now open for NASTID and NASDSE to share the concept with Ruth and with Monique Chism (Director OSS) and assess their interest in participating and possibly funding the work. Bob will draft a memo to Ruth and Monique (incorporating feedback from the Committee Co-chairs) which describes the project and requests a conference call to discuss it further.

Next steps:

- **Distinguished Schools Interviews**—It was decided to have Mike Radke be the point person on the effort and to work with Bob to plan, schedule, and conduct interviews of principals and staff of selected Distinguished Schools—onsite at the SLC Conference.
- **Pilot Survey of Title I Distinguished Schools**— Bob will draft a memo to Ruth and Monique (incorporating feedback from the Committee Co-chairs) which describes the project and requests a conference call to discuss it further.
- **February through June Committee Meeting Dates**—Bob will send out a survey to determine the optimal meeting dates and times for the Committee members.

Next Meeting is Tuesday, January 20, 2015 @ 11AM Eastern Time.