



## NATIONAL TITLE I ASSOCIATION

a National Association of State Title I Directors

The **Effective Programs & Quality Outcomes Committee** meeting was held via conference call on **Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 2:00PM EDT, 1:00PM CDT, 12:00PM MDT, 11:00AM PDT, 10:00AM AKDT.**

Participating in the call were: Mike Radke (Co-chair—MI); Gayle Pauley (Co-chair—WA); Jack O'Connor (MT); Otistene Smith (AR); Jeff Arch (CA—A+ Events) and Bob Harmon (NASTID CEO—WA).

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. Identify broadened categories and eligibility criteria for the Distinguished Schools (DS) program.**

Bob said that some states may take advantage of a one-year reprieve which gives us the chance to revise criteria. Perhaps we should look at broadening criteria and categories. Mike stated that we currently have two criteria. There was some discussion by the Executive Board of possibly allowing an alternate way of thinking about this: Homeless programs, migrant programs or other federal programs. Protocol encourages states to participate and would allow for criteria to be state-specific.

Otistene asked if Board is suggesting altering language of existing categories, removing one or both categories or adding categories. Bob responded that we need to extend the language to include other criteria. Mike mentioned that Michigan used state tests and assessment data as criteria for DS. Category 1 allows for a great deal of flexibility and #2 does too. We may need to add 3rd category like excellence in serving special populations, homeless, migrant, etc., —all based on state-determined criteria.

Otistene asked what criteria would be used to match up schools throughout the US and how we identify quality programs. Bob said to look at categories and criteria and ask, do we want to change any of these? Mike said that 40% is the new standard. Jack mentioned that keeping it at 35% is a good cut off line, which makes it a Title I building. Everyone on the call is comfortable with the two-year criteria.

Bob asked if there is a difference between criteria #2 and #3. Mike mentioned that ESSA has new things including discipline action and absenteeism that are not currently in effect but some states have it in their criteria. Maybe we could drop the word “achievement” out of the third criterion. The group agreed to keeping criteria 1 and 2 as is and revising the third criterion by deleting “achievement.” All are good with the revisions and will inform Board members at the April Board meeting. Otistene mentioned that we need to act soon so we can open up nomination process for each state.

As requested at last month's meeting, Bob reported on states that have not participated in DS in last four years:

States that have not participated at all in the last four years:

Connecticut	Hawaii	Iowa	Minnesota
Rhode Island	Vermont	Wisconsin	

States that have participated just once in the last four years:

California	Maine	Massachusetts
Missouri	New Mexico	Oklahoma

Jack suggested that we reach out to each state director that is a member to try to get more participation from these states. Mike asked if we need to advertise the fact that the DS schools have questions/answers and demographic information posted on the Title I website? Mike wants to know when RR are available on the website.

## 2. Other

Bob had earlier asked for impact data from any state. Nazie from Colorado sent studies and that information is on EP&QO page. He thought Gayle also had information to share. Gayle affirmed and will send Bob a link for posting. Bob asked for feedback regarding ReadyRosie video. He thinks they did a great job.

-----

**The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 2:00PM EDT, 1:00PM CDT, 12:00PM MDT, 11:00AM PDT, 10:00AM AKDT.**

**Meeting Schedule (every fourth Tuesday)**—Please mark your calendars. April 2016 through December 2016—all meetings will be held 2:00PM ET, 1:00PM CT, 12:00PM MT, 11:00AM PT & MST, 10:00AM AKT

<b>APR 26 2016</b>		<b>SEP 27 2016</b>	
<b>MAY 24 2016</b>		<b>OCT 25 2016</b>	
<b>JUN 28 2016</b>		<b>NOV 22 2016</b>	
<b>JUL 26 2016</b>		<b>DEC 27 2016</b>	
<b>AUG 23 2016</b>			