



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ESEA

STATE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS

Ensuring Student Equity & Access

The **Effective Programs & Quality Outcomes Committee** met via conference call on January 23, 2018 at 2:00PM EST, 1:00PM CST, 12:00PM MST, 11:00AM PST.

ATTENDING

Committee Members

Otistene Smith (AR); Sonya G Morris (FL); Jack O'Connor (MT); Betsy Chapman (SD)

Association Management

Bob Harmon – CEO; Marcus Cheeks – Deputy COO; Jeri Erickson – Membership Director

Meeting Agenda:

1. Distinguished Schools Update/Recognition Evolution Under NAESPA

- **Distinguished Schools:** Participation numbers at the 2018 Conference (Jeri Erickson)
 - 63 schools have been named representing 34 States
 - 34 schools are named in Category 1: Exceptional student performance for two or more consecutive years
 - 23 schools are named in Category 2: Closing the achievement gap between student groups
 - 6 schools are named in Category 3: Excellence in serving special populations of students (e.g. homeless, migrant, English learners, etc.)
 - 303 Distinguished School attendees are confirmed to attend the conference
- **Recognition Evolution Under NAESPA:** (Group Discussion)
 - The current structure can support the reorganized Association—with a few minor tweaks, such as broadening the category definitions to include all ESEA programs.
 - It is important to maintain the Title I Distinguished School distinction. Title I incorporates other programs byway of collaboration.
 - Address why some states are not participating in the Distinguished School program:
 - Some states are going to a new accountability (or assessment) system and want to have 2-3 years of data on high performing schools for the nomination process.
 - Communicate to Distinguished School Coordinators that there is flexibility for states to name schools—the years that states use for their data is up to them.
 - Stories from other states on how they honor their schools locally can help encourage more states to participate in the program.

2. Information/Data Needs--"I would like to set the stage with the group to get them thinking about what information - data is needed since we have moved to ESSA and how those data could inform decisions made by congressional members on budget support. So, we can start with Title I and add in other program information." -- Gayle Pauley (WA--EP&QO Co-chair)

- Topic deferred to February 8 in-person meeting in Philadelphia.
3. **In-Person Committee Meeting** to be held on February 8 during the 2018 National Title I Conference
- **Welcome - Committee/Subcommittee chair(s)**
 - Update on committee's/subcommittee's current work
 - Review of committee's/subcommittee's current purpose and future work as identified in the 2018 Strategic Plan
 - Review schedule of 2018 meeting dates and times
 - **Discuss any changes or additions needed to align with broadened NAESPA and ESEA focus**
 - **Listing of member needs to be addressed through committee work** (list will be used to generate direction for 2018)
 - **Information/Data Needs--**"I would like to set the stage with the group to get them thinking about what information - data is needed since we have moved to ESSA and how those data could inform decisions made by congressional members on budget support. So, we can start with Title I and add in other program information." -- Gayle Pauley (WA--EP&QO Co-chair)
 - **Other**
4. **Other**
- None

Notes from the October 24, 2017 meeting are **available here**.

Next meeting is an in-person opportunity scheduled for February 8, 2018 at 5:15PM EST in room 106-B at the Pennsylvania Convention Center.