

Ad-Hoc Dashboard/Benchmark Committee
970 Madison Street, Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois
Regular Meeting
7:30 P.M. August 6, 2014

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chairwoman Rupa Datta called the meeting to order at 7:38

In Attendance: Rupa Datta, Jim O’Conner , Bob Spatz, Amber Stitzel Pareja, Denis Roarty, Gudelia Lopez, Rebecca Kaegi, Dr. Felicia Starks Turner, Lou Anne Johannesson

Absent: Harla Hutchinson, Dr. Al Roberts

2. Review of previous meeting minutes

Chairwoman Datta asked all members to review the minutes from July. Member Pareja made a motion to adopt the July minutes. Two edits were made. Member Kaegi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. Measures for selected domains

Member O’Connor presented proposed academic measures. He introduced a document on the Seven Keys to College readiness from the Montgomery County Public Schools. He stated that these were tools to use as measures to get students back on track for college readiness. Member Pareja asked if they measured students who had all the keys, but did not attend college. Datta remarked that her impression was that the keys are set where the probability of attending college exceeds 50%. Member Kaegi asked about whether Montgomery studied students completed college in a reasonable amount of time. O’Connor said it measured all kinds of factors. Data asked O’Connor what he felt would be helpful from these keys to tell parents. He stated that it would be helpful for parents to make a plan as to what they need to be doing with their students. He felt it didn’t need to be on the dashboard but was related. O’Connor then ran through the proposed academic measures. His notes inspired a lengthy discussion into what types of academic data the committee wants to look into and share on the dashboard. Member Lopez reminded the committee that it should present more data than just scores in the

academic measures. Member Roarty remarked that placeholders can be used for the soft measures at this point in the process of developing a dashboard.

Member Lopez asked about using MAP and /or PARCC in its first year, which she cautioned about presenting after the first year of testing because it is an unknown at this time and that first year results should come with a disclaimer. She added that MAP and PARCC assess very different things and asked Member Spatz which assessment district teachers will be teaching towards. He stated both will continue to be administered and that after the first year PARCC results are analyzed that will be an Administration discussion. Dr. Starks Turner stated that a decision on how many times a year to administer MAP had not been finalized, but the spring testing may be dropped because it would be too close to PARCC. O'Connor stated that ECRA can create a composite score for the dashboard.

Datta asked whether historical ISAT information should be included. Spatz said that for transparency it should be included. The committee agreed that it should. The committee continued a lengthy discussion on the academic measures, in particular outcome indicators. Edits were suggested and will be made.

5. Updates

Member Spatz reported that there still have been no documents presented by. Strive, The Early Childhood Collaboration and D200 had no current updates.

6. Other items

Chairwoman Datta suggested moving forward:

She would like to compile all of the edited suggested domains and to streamline and synthesize them; package it and prioritize it. She then would like another member to review her work. The committee agreed.

The committee agreed to move its presentation to the school board to October 7th. Ms. Johannesson will send a doodle invitation to select the next regular meeting date.

7. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Johannesson