



Date: May 4, 2020 (4:00-6:00 p.m.)

Location: Zoom meeting

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4:00 p.m. – Leadership Introductions and RTAC Mission/Purpose

- Kathy Hoffman, Superintendent of Public Education addresses group
  - Arts seal given to over 500 graduating seniors this year

4:16 – New Business (rearranged agenda)

- RTAC Leadership for 2020-2021
  - Discussion regarding term limits
    - Participants agree current leaders should serve at least 1 more year
  - Discussion regarding need for by-laws
    - Leadership will work over summer to develop, and roll out in advance of or at August meeting
    - Will start with high priority items
  - Those interested in helping responded in the meeting Chat.

4:23 -- Old Business

- A-F update (Becky Vogel)
  - Becky reviewed how A-F formula works
    - HS and future K-8 considerations
  - What are next steps? Policy Team rep, Callie Kozlak joined meeting later. See below for her input.
    - Ms. Hoffman: needs to go through State Board of Ed, who has intention of not making a lot of changes to the grading system on an annual basis, but may need to in light of current situation. 2021-2022 will be new unveiling of new State Assessments, so may be a good time to get points heard. Worth considering and exploring.
  - Question: Does the seal of biliteracy have any weight? Only heard you talk about CTE. May be worth considering. Answer: It's not included in our CCR points right now. It's a good point.
- Instructional Minutes (Michelle Irvin)
  - Issues with instructional minutes at the K-8 level
  - Presented recommended instructional minutes that are currently in place, and the proposed minutes be aligned to recommendations from other national arts organizations. (reference slides for specifics)
    - Participants agree.
    - Dustin suggested process similar to what we did with Arts Seal. Partner with AZ Citizens for the Arts. Without there being a state statute, there is not much that Dustin could do with something like this. This issue is on a lot of people's minds. Could it be tied in with the Creative Schools Award that is being proposed. Would be illegal for Dustin to mandate instructional minutes.
    - Michelle will form with a sub-committee and work over the summer and come up with a draft for RTAC to adopt.
      - Robert from Peoria has researched and found high level data correlation between increased arts ed instructional minutes and increased performance on state standardized testing. Will share research with RTAC and be part of conversation.
- Callie Kozlak from Policy Team
  - Becky will follow up with Ms. Kozlak regarding the A-F letter grades that we discussed.
  - Question: What should be done with the A-F research that Becky has done? Answer: State is in holding pattern due to current situation, but is open to hear thoughts.

- Question: How do we go about getting instructional minutes issues in front of policy team?  
Answer: Ms. Kozlak can present it to the superintendent and see if this is something they want to pursue.

#### 5:09 – New Business (rearranged agenda)

- US Department of Education – proposed PD Voucher program
  - Call to action shared (comments due by May 13, 2020) – informational sharing >> not being overseen by ADE
  - Link shared at bottom of minutes
- ADE Reports:
  - Arts Seal
    - 585 seniors achieved the Seal
    - Report is posted on arts proficiency website page
    - Shared celebration video
    - Next application for Seal opens July 15, 2020 due Sept 15, 2020
      - Dustin working on getting exemplars of capstone projects to be included on application page.
  - Title IV-A Symposium updates
    - Wednesday, July 15 → registration to open next week; low cost; will be digital format
    - Info on azed.gov website
    - Link at bottom of minutes
  - Title IV-A spending Analysis findings
    - Updates to funding → in most updated info 67.26% LEAs kept their funding
    - Summary of Title IV-A funding transfers → lower percentage transferred in FY 19
    - Report to be shared out with minutes (was not a link given)
    - Becky pointed out that districts are more likely to transfer funds when they have higher percentage of Title-I schools. Those with a lower percentage tend to keep the funds in Title-IVA pot.
    - Dustin mentioned that you can view the Allocations tab on the Title IV-A website.
  - Title IV-A Waiver for FY2020 (2019-2020 school year)
    - Due to Covid-19's impact, US Dept of Ed has authorized Secretary to extend waivers. (Funds can be carried over into Sept 2021)
    - Haley has observed LEAs trying to use funds to meet immediate needs due to Covid crisis (tech, hotspots for wi-fi, etc.).
    - The funds that LEAs carry forward will not be subject to Title IV-A requirements. (!!!) "If you don't have a seat at the table, you're probably on the menu."
    - Can review federal funding waivers info on ADE website → link at bottom of minutes.
  - Formation of Physical Education Advisory Roundtable (PEAR)
    - New group, predominantly comprised of PE teachers
    - Collective voice of PE teachers meeting together and connecting with ADE
    - Working with ADE Specialist Kerry Schoeff on this
    - Michelle: Would PEAR want to join in the instructional minutes conversation? Answer: PEAR has only had one meeting, and was introductory in nature. Would be good to reach out to PEAR, because we are all in this together.

#### 5:55 – Good of the Order:

- Meeting dates shared → locations TBD
- Links from ADE:
  - [2019-2020 Arizona State Seal of Arts Proficiency Year End Report](#)
  - [USED Federal Funding Waivers](#)
  - FY18 & FY19 Title IV-A Data (Attached- Not officially published yet)
  - [2020 Title IV-A Symposium](#)
  - [USED Teacher-Directed Professional Learning Experiences- Call for Public Comment](#)

#### Future Meetings:

- Monday, August 17, 2020 (4:00-6:00 p)
- Thursday, November 9, 2020 (4:00-6:00 p)
- ESSA Conference, January 2021 (time/date TBD)
- Monday, May 3, 2021 (4:00-6:00 p)