

Data CPAC workgroup Minutes

November 13, 2015

Attendees: Brittany Willard, Jackie Mette, Eliza Hirst, JoAnn Bruch, Rachael Neff

1. The group started off by asking the question whether we should merge the Data and MOU workgroup or data and collaboration? All agreed that the data group should merge with another group and will hold the discussion at the CPAC education meeting. Joann will see if another administrator from DFS can be available for the merged workgroup.

2. Brittany raised the gaps in Data received from DOE. She highlighted some examples of data that was missing:
 - a. Break down of school districts
 - b. Description of how attendance is measured and is it uniform across all schools and districts
 - c. Attendance standard
 - d. Drop out rates will be available in January

Brittany agreed to send a follow up email to DOE to seek the comprehensive data requested.

3. The group tabled the discussion about suspension legislation and data for now and will circulate comments to Eliza by email. Brittany provided graphs of the suspension data for Kindergarten through third grade.

4. The group discussed the Education Court Report. The group is still working on who would supply the court with this information and how they will receive it. Jackie suggested it should be a collaborative process, but the gatekeeper would likely be the DFS case worker. Joann provided samples of the child in care information form. We will need to determine how school education is provided to the case worker. This is something that could potentially be done through DOE using the Ed Insight Dashboard or through an agreement between DOE and another agency to access such information. Jackie agreed to work with Michele Marinucci from Woodbridge to develop a report from the EdInsight dashboard for the report. The Data Workgroup may consider having an agreement between DOE and DFS be part of the MOU if necessary, or at least a discussion through the MOU workgroup. The data workgroup agreed there would also be a need for definitions, since schools may count suspensions, tardies, and absences differently.

Once we have the court report in a more complete form, JoAnn will circulate it to Shirley Roberts and Sue Murray at DFS. Eliza agreed to ask Jenn Davis to determine

who may need to be contacted to see if there is a way to get access to Ed Insight Dashboard. However, this issue may be worth bringing up with the DOE secretary if the group has difficulty accessing such information.

Next meeting: Feb 1, 2016 at 11:00 am, Collette Education Center.