

HWI DSN Conference Call

Monday March 9, 10:00 am – 12 pm

Linda Zorn opened the meeting at 10:01 am with roll call.

Present: Avanté Simmons, Barbara Brock, Cynthia Harrison, Shari Herzfeld, John Cordova, Laurie Sienkiewicz, Trudy Old, Valerie Fisher, Brenda Fong, Ann Durham, and Sue Hussey.

Julie Aguiar and Samantha Cardenas were also in attendance.

CCCCO update

Brenda Fong shared an updated Chancellor's Office Org Chart, which will become effective on 4/1/15. She indicated a shift in program assignments for Debra Jones, Gary Adams, Javier Romero and Walter DiMantova. Cynthia McFarland will replace Njeri Griffin on April 1st. The suggestion to assign a single monitor to each sector is still being considered. Brenda noted that Gary is expected to email grant renewal application packets next week, with a submission deadline of 4/17/15 (for FY 2015-16). A technical assistance conference call to explain the RFA will occur on 3/12/15. It will be recorded. The BOG will review/approve them the week of 5/18/15. The packet will include a section for DSN minimum qualifications. Existing DSNs will be grandfathered in. 1070 funds for that period are unknown. Brenda said a 360 evaluation will not occur at this time.

HWI Outcomes

- **SB 1070**

Linda noted that her annual report on 1402 funding for 2013-14 revealed that DSN activities and time are weighted toward 1070 activities. The decreasing numbers reported by DSNs on number of businesses served annually, employees trained, and placed in jobs supports this conclusion. Since 1402 is our primary funding source, she felt it was time to focus on increasing those numbers again. 1402 is about helping business. If we can leverage money to hire others (such as Ellese Mello and Sonia Lira with HASPI) to do 1070 activities, the DSNs can free up time to focus on 1402 activities. It was noted that HASPI is the health sector Linked Learning piece and does not conflict with existing Linked Learning projects. Several DSNs expressed interest in funding statewide HASPI projects to obtain the outcomes. They also expressed a need for more direction from the CCCCCO in terms of counting outcomes, for consistent data reporting throughout the sector. Brenda advised that Walter may offer this soon. Ann agreed to broach the subject of a statewide HASPI project with Sonia. If she is interested, Ann will include Linda in the conversations. It was noted that the focus should be implementation and sustainability, rather than just buying kits.

- **SB 1402**

Linda noted that incumbent worker training is a core function of 1402. There was a lot of interest in the topics Annie Rafferty offered through Contract Education. We may not be able to use EPT to fund it, as it is intended to help for-profit companies. However, Linda will work with Kathy Martin and Stewart Knox to get a list of for-profits we could assist with training. She will also work with Stewart to see how we could access the Governor's allowance for non-profits.

She suggested two statewide EPT contracts, one in the north (Butte College) and one in the south. Good outcomes could be achieved. Contract Education has registration software that may be utilized for this project. Ann brought up a concern about a potential conflict between Corporate Colleges.

Linda also noted that the Van Ton Quinlivan is asking for training on behalf of the DSNs, to explain to them how Contract Education works. Valerie added that she uses Contract Education to deliver the MA program. John estimate that the MA Review Course could also be offered in the same way.

Common tracking tool

Linda would like to be able to settle on a common tracking tool by May. This will be used by the Health DSNs to submit their outcomes. Avanté agreed to create a folder in Dropbox so that additional templates could be shared.

Conference and meeting attendance

Linda noted that much of a DSN's time is spent attending meetings and it is important to assess where the time is best spent. CCCAOE is not in the RFA.

The recent COADN conference was discussed. Several colleges are interested in the speaker, Dr. Cynthia Clark, who addressed the topic of civility. Avanté will reach out to her this week and advise of some dates she is available. Her fee (including travel) is \$3500.

Discussion and brainstorming

Tabled in the interest of time.

Workplan discussion

Tabled until release of RFA.

Clinical Faculty Academy

The concept of having a competent clinical faculty was discussed at 3CNAC. Colleges are requesting this. Valerie is awaiting a survey of nursing faculty hires in her region. She will share her template to be used by the other DSNs to poll their respective regions. There is unlikely enough demand in a single region, but several events held statewide next year could allow the DSNs to pool their resources.

Linda noted that 3CNAC has already taken on this role, with the development of director orientation a few years ago. This project will give 3CNAC an opportunity for outcomes. They have the experienced directors. She will bring it to them in April.

Upcoming meetings and conferences

The upcoming ATI conference scheduled for April was discussed. Laurie shared the email link. No one can attend this time, but perhaps ATI could share information on their speakers. Typically you can't send other individuals to training, but you may be able to convince your monitor of special circumstances. Avanté requested that DSNs upload conference agendas and summaries to Dropbox.

BOG Task Force

Linda advised that we are in phase two: Regional conversations are completed and faculty conversations are almost done. The town hall meetings are focused on industry and DSNs should only attend if they need they need to accompany their industry people. However, we are welcome to attend the faculty conversations.

Adjournment

The call ended shortly after noon. Outlook calendar invites were sent out by Linda for next month's call on 4/13/15.