

COVID-19 Policy Implications Stakeholder Group Meeting Summary Wednesday - August 26, 2020

Attendees

COVID-19 Policy Implications Stakeholder Group Members: Amie Baca-Oehlert, Elizabeth Casillas, Carol Eaton, Christina Ethier, Paul Freeman, Chris Gibbons, Da'Lisa Hatcher, Peter Hilts, Jennifer Holladay, Kym LeBlanc-Esparza, Bret Miles, Michelle Murphy, Stephanie Perez-Carrillo, Amy Pitlik, Luke Ragland, Johan Van Nieuwenhuizen, Jen Walmer, Jason Westfall, and Cheri Wrench

Colorado Department of Education Staff: Katy Anthes, Mary Bivens, Rhonda Haniford, Lisa Medler, and Christina Wirth-Hawkins

Guest Speakers: KC Becker, Speaker of the Colorado House of Representatives; Nancy Todd, Colorado Senator; Paul Lundeen, Colorado Senator

Meeting Facilitator: Heather Chikoore

Meeting Objectives

- Get to know the stakeholder group
- Why this group was initiated, HB20-1418
- Overview of the stakeholder process
- Look back at Spring 2020
- Summary of changes to policy and practice due to COVID-19

Meeting Activities

Welcome

Rhonda Haniford, Associate Commissioner of School Quality and Support at CDE, provided the opening. Rhonda welcomed all the COVID-19 Policy Implications Stakeholder Group members, the facilitator, and meeting participants. This was followed by remarks and reflection from Katy Anthes, the Commissioner of Education.

HB20-1418

One purpose of this meeting was to learn more about the specific charge of this group and why it was formed from the legislators behind the bill: Madam Speaker Becker, Senator Todd, and Senator Lundeen.

Overview of the Stakeholder Process

The group's facilitator, Heather Chikoore, let the stakeholder group members introduce themselves. She set forth meeting expectations and the processes the stakeholder group will be using to work together as a team (Stakeholder Group Main Session meeting #1).

Launch Activity – Breakout Sessions

The stakeholder group members spent time learning about each other and shared how the COVID-19 pandemic impacted their communities, including the transition to remote learning. They also shared their best hopes for the stakeholder group's work together.

Context Setting

Members of CDE shared a presentation (<u>A Summary of Policy and Practice Due to COVID-19</u>) that described how assessments, accountability/accreditation, and educator effectiveness have been impacted by COVID-19.

Closing

The meeting concluded with an opportunity for the stakeholder group members to discuss the meeting and provided feedback.

Plans for Next Meeting

The next meeting is September 16th from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Meeting details may be found on the Stakeholder Group webpage.