



# State Executive Leadership Team

## SELT Meeting

11/25/13

SELT Board Room

*SELT partners collaborate to create the tools and an environment resulting in seamless transitions for students to embrace lifelong learning, achieve their full potential, and be positive contributors to their community and society.*

Invited: John Cech, Steve York, Kali Wicks, TJ Eyer, Kelly Hert, Mary Kulawik

Present: John Cech, Steve York, Kali Wicks, TJ Eyer, Kelly Hert

### **I. Welcome & Call to Order**

Deputy Commissioner Cech called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. Deputy Commissioner Cech asked the group if several items could be added to the agenda, which the group approved. The 9/23/13 minutes were reviewed and approved without comment.

### **II. Approval Of Pathways**

Deputy Commissioner Cech led the group in discussing the current process for approving Big Sky Pathways, including: a) What is working, b) What needs improvement, c) Current Status, and d) Goals. Following the discussion, Mr. Eyer and Ms. Wicks both stated that they would clarify the Big Sky Pathway submission process with specialists and coordinators to clear any confusion. Mr. Eyer also stated that OPI Specialist Megan Vincent would be making a trip to the Missoula area to work with Pathway Coordinator Donna Bakke, and to work with several other schools in the area.

### **III. Dual Enrollment**

Deputy Commissioner Cech gave a short summation of the Dual Enrollment Task Force's presentation to the Board of Regents on Nov. 21-22. Deputy Commissioner Cech discussed the Task Force's recommendations and goals, along with the integration into the Big Sky Pathways program. The Task Force expects to bring a final version of the Dual Enrollment Guidelines to the Board of Regents at the January meeting.

### **IV. State CTE Advisory Board**

Ms. Wicks gave a brief update on the planning for the State CTE Advisory Board meeting, which will take place on the evening of January 21<sup>st</sup>. National Career Pathways Network President Deb Mills will be facilitating the meeting, and helping the board members to create a CTE needs assessment relative to the national 16 career clusters.



## **V. Big Sky Pathways Strategic Plan**

Ms. Wicks presented the Big Sky Pathways strategic plan proposal provided by Strategies 360. The group decided to review the proposal and return any comments or suggested changes to Ms. Wicks on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **VI. CAR Update**

Ms. Wicks updated the group on the progress of the 2012-2013 CAR. The narrative portion is nearly complete, although OPI is waiting on input from several specialists. Ms. Wicks and Diana Fiedler also have some questions for the D.C. office regarding the submission process for the CAR, as a new system is being used this year. Ms. Hert also added that the financial portion of the report is complete.

## **VII. Secondary Pathways Training**

Ms. Wicks discuss the need for a secondary academic/CTE teacher Big Sky Pathway training in the summer of 2014. Ms. Hert suggested that this training be held in June, and that a portion of rural reserve funds be used as scholarships to cover travel, lodging, per diem, etc. for attendees, as we are in a "use it or lose it" situation with a portion of funds. Ms. Hert recommended that the amount of scholarships should add up to over \$33,000 to provide a safe cushion. This would need to be done through an application process that is available to all local applicants who qualify. It would also be good to notify those applicants fairly early for planning purposes. The group supported the idea, and discussed possible dates for the training, considering late June as a good possibility.

## **VIII. Upcoming Events Training**

Mr. Eyer stated that January 13<sup>th</sup>, the State CTSO Meeting with the Governor, is still a tentative date, as he has not yet heard back from the Governor's Office. Ms. Wicks reminded the group of the upcoming RPOS/BSP Construction Seminar on January 21<sup>st</sup>, the State CTE Advisory Board meeting on the evening of Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>, and the BSP training on January 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>.

## **IX. Next Steps**

The next SELT meeting will be held on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014. The Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 meeting is cancelled due to the Holiday.