# **Standards of Learning Innovation Committee**

**Briefing Meeting Minutes** 

Full Committee Meeting Teleconference February 3, 2016 – 3:00pm – 4:00pm

#### Attendees

#### **Present Committee Members:**

Kelly Booz, Dabney Carr, Jared Cotton, Karen Cross, Kim Dockery, Veronica Donahue, Deborah Frazier, Meg Gruber, Anne Holton, Lillie Jessie, Susan Magliaro, Brian Matney, Laurie McCullough, Stewart Roberson, Alan Seibert, Steve Staples, Karen Thomsen, Chriss Walther-Thomas, William White, Wade Whitehead, Ben Williams, Renee Zando.

#### **Absent Committee Members:**

Grace Chung Becker, Shawnrell Blackwell, Jeff Bourne, Terri Breeden, Billy Cannaday, Creigh Deeds, Sarah Gross, Roger Hathaway, Tara Lateef, Jim LeMunyon, Roxann Robinson, Jeion Ward, and Sanford Williams.

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### Agenda

- Welcome
- Budget Highlights
- Legislation relating to the SOL Innovation Committee
- Questions from Committee Members
- Next Steps
- Adjournment

#### Welcome

- **3:01pm** Dr. Stewart Roberson began the meeting.
  - Dr. Stewart Roberson asked for all those attending to introduce themselves.
  - Provided the welcome remarks to the group and thanked stakeholders for their work.
  - Discussed the recent SOL Innovation Committee presentations to the Senate Education and Health Committee and Senate Finance Committee.

# **Budget Highlights**

- Secretary Anne Holton provided updates on the proposed K-12 and higher education budgets.
  - The proposed budget includes over a billion dollars for education, with 840 million for K-12.
  - The Secretary discussed budget proposals most directly related to the Committee, including: Rebenchmarking; At Risk Add-on; Additional instructional positions; Cost to Compete; High School Innovation; Credentialing and Equipment for Career and Tech Education; Computer Adaptive Testing (CAT).
  - Overall, there is a plan to reinvest in education; however the amount is pending revenue information.

### Legislation relating to the SOL Innovation Committee

- Holly Coy provided an update on legislation relating to the SOL Innovation Committee.
  - Holly discussed HB895/SB336: High School Redesign; HB894: SOL Committee Composition.
  - Holly discussed other bills regarding the Committee including HB525: SOL Innovation Committee, review of standardized testing in public high schools; HB522: SOL Innovation Committee, list of restrictive federal laws and regulations, and laws focused special student populations.

## **Questions from Committee Members**

- The floor was opened for questions and feedback from the Committee regarding budget and legislative proposals.
  - Committee members asked for information about revenue estimates, further details on HB894, clarification of new instructor funding, bills limiting test-taking times, and status of technology enhanced items.
  - The Committee should discuss at future meetings: test cut-off times and ESSA- Every Student Succeeds Act.
- Committee members were encouraged to contact their local legislators.

# **Next Steps**

- Next Joint Subcommittee Meeting Date:
  - Online, Details will be emailed
  - February 29, 2016 11:00am 1:00pm
- Next Full Committee Meeting Date:
  - April 2016 Date to be announced soon

# Adjournment

• Dr. Stewart Roberson closed the meeting out at 3:50pm.