

Update on Executive Director Work

March 2019

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Climate Science Coordination & Training and Computer Science content frames added

Climate Science – Committee Liaison: Andrew Eyres

Computer Science – Committee Liaison: Gene Sharratt

Climate Science program evaluation documentation ***Interim Survey Report and Interim Data Report***

Computer Science program evaluation documentation ***Computational Thinking: A Foundation for Computer Science Interim Evaluation Report***

SILT Meeting Date February 21 at PSESD. A very successful meeting continuing the theme of special education inclusion. Speakers and topics included: Carrie Basas, Director State Ambuds Office; Janet Gordon and Hilary Loeb, Andrew Eyres, Glenna Gallo, and the McMicken Heights Elementary school team presenting on: ***Co-teaching and Collaboration: One School's Journey Toward Inclusion.*** A copy of the agenda is attached. The final SILT meeting will be May 9, at PSESD and will include a third school presentation and cross-content sharing around special education inclusion models and best practices.

March 8, meeting, (9 a.m. to noon) ESD #112 - Department of Education, West Coast Regional (Region 16) Comprehensive Education Center grant opportunity – Application guidelines forthcoming in March 2019. Region 16 covers Alaska, Oregon and Washington. We envision a three-state, ESD collaboration in conjunction with ADI and associated partners.

General information:

From Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, DOE

Approximate Appropriation: \$52,000,000 for 19 Regional Centers

Grant Details Available: RFP Released on March 29, 2019

Grant Due: End of May

Attendees at the March 8 Meeting: ADI, SERRC, OAESD, CRPE, AESD (Summary of meeting will be sent to ESD superintendents and assistant superintendents) Meeting will be face-to-face and zoom. I hope to have one more meeting prior to the RFP release at the end of March.

The objectives of the grant are: (1) to improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps, and improve the quality of instruction, (2) demonstrate expertise in providing capacity-building services in reading, mathematics, science, and technology, especially to low-performing schools and districts, and (3) focus on equity, diversity, poverty, students of color and rural communities.

March 28, 2019, 1-3 p.m. 50th Anniversary Reception – Olympia (Capital Building)

We have secured the Reception Room and are confirming all the speakers for the event. We have at least three ESD superintendents who are unable to attend, but who will provide representatives from their organizations to introduce guests. Eldene will be confirming each ESD guest list and we will provide an updated agenda by the end of the first week in March. I am so sorry the date conflicts with other schedules.

Legislative Update on School Safety and Wellness Centers, Computer Science, Climate Science and Career-Connect Washington

I continue to hear that our efforts in School Safety and Wellness Centers, Computer Science, Climate Science and Career-Connect Washington are going well. Melissa will provide greater detail, but it appears we “are still in the game” on these issues, with several of them dependent on final budget negotiations.