



CALTPA Steering Committee Meeting Notes, January 21, 2010

Committee Members Attending

Kathy Athey	Project IMPACT - SJCOE
Billye Brown	Dominican University
Michael Cosenza	California Lutheran University
Nedra Crow	National University
Ilene Foster	CSU Pomona
Millie Murray-Ward	CSU Stanislaus
Katie Pedley	ETS
Keith Walters	California Baptist University

Commission Staff Attending

Wayne Bacer	CTC CalTPA
Phyllis Jacobson	CTC TPA
Suzanne Sullivan	CTC CalTPA
Mike Taylor	CTC

Committee Member Absent Due to Illness

Mick Verdi	CSU San Bernardino
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1. Welcome and Introductions

Members once again shared information about their background in CalTPA and the constituency they represent.

2. Review of the charge to the CalTPA Steering Committee

Members reviewed their charge.

Members were informed that Dollyanne Hutchinson resigned her position at University of Phoenix and will no longer serve on this Committee.

3. Report on the TPA item from the December Commission meeting and TPA Users Advisory Committee meeting of January 20, 2010

Phyllis reported that the Commissioners felt the need to maintain the reliability and validity of the instrument, and so there was little they could do about the recommendations presented in Agenda Item 3C (December 2009); therefore they took no action. The UAC meeting focused on the continuing fiscal issue in the CSU and UC systems, data collection and committee membership. The UAC selected Co-Chairs: Caryl Hodges (USF) and Steve Turley (CSULB). They set two meeting dates: March 18 and May 19.

4. Data Collection

Members received an update on the process for collecting candidate data by reviewing the CalTPA template. The report will be an annual one submitted by April 30, covering the previous year (a la the Title II report) and will only cover those candidates, their scores on the tasks they complete during the specific time period.

5. Task Collection

ISC and BM case replacement needs carried forward from October 28, 2009 agenda was refined with a target date of February 1st for notifying programs. Wayne, Suzanne and Phyllis will work on a letter and Suzanne will create a schedule based on programs' input on the October 2009 survey.

6. Coordinators Meeting

Discussion of a joint CalTPA/PACT/FAST Implementation conference carried forward from October 28, 2009 meeting was dropped because the current fiscal climate would not support a conference of this type.

Members then decided that it would be beneficial for CalTPA users to return to a spring meeting of Coordinators. Keith offered the CBU Copenbarger Room, where we have met previously and secured two dates; the Committee and staff settled on March 22nd for this meeting. Suzanne will send a Save the Date flyer to programs. Topics at this meeting will include, but not limited to, technical assistance with data and task collections. The Committee will continue to refine the agenda at their next meeting.

7. Member items

No specific items outside those already on the agenda were brought to the table.

8. Next steps for CalTPA

Continuing the discussion from October 28, 2009 meeting, members explored/brainstormed options that would carry the CalTPA into the immediate and foreseeable future. For the immediate future, the conversation centered on providing programs some fiscal relief. Conversation about longer-term options constantly returned to foundational issues of validity, reliability, and fairness to candidates while making the CalTPA a stronger measurement of candidate TPE knowledge, skills and abilities.