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ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE EDUCATION OF GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN

July 18, 2016

Meeting 17

Venue:

Lindenwood University – Spellman Center, Room 4105
 209 South Kingshighway, St. Charles County, MO 63301

TOPIC	NOTES
Members Present	Dr. Linda Smith, Dr. Lenae Lazzelle, Dr. Beth Winton, Dr. Robin Lady, Mrs. Sally Holt and Mr. David Welch
Members Absent	Dr. Steven Coxon and Ms. Julia Alsobrook
I. Call to Order	
Call to Order	Dr. Smith began the meeting of the Advisory Council on the Education of Gifted and Talented Children at 10:10 without a quorum present. Dr. Smith officially called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, July 18, 2016 when an additional Council member arrived to establish a quorum.
Approval of Agenda – July 18, 2016	It was moved by Dr. Lady and seconded by Dr. Lazzelle to approve the agenda of the July 18, 2016 meeting. (Yes: 5; No: 0)
Approval of Minutes – May 17, 2016	It was moved by Dr. Winton and seconded by Dr. Lady to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2016 meeting. Motion was carried. (Yes: 5; No: 0)
Chair Comments – Appointments to Council, GAMbit (new article), Lunch & Learn, Other	The Council is waiting for the Commissioner to notify us of renewal or new council appointments to fill two expiring terms. There will be no GAMbit report at this time. The Council will be having lunch with the attendees of the New Teacher of the Gifted Workshop today.
II. Updates	
DESE Report	<p>The DESE report was given prior to the official start of the meeting to allow additional time for all of the Council members to arrive.</p> <p>Mr. Welch will be attending a seminar on acceleration conducted by the Belin-Blank Center at the University of Iowa.</p> <p>The passage of Senate Bill 638 and its subsequent signing into law by the Governor will mean that the gifted served number derived by the April 2016-2017 school year Missouri Student Information System (MOSIS) data will be used to establish the district enrollment comparison for the 2017-2018 implementation of the payment adjustment provision of this new statutory requirement.</p> <p>Mr. Welch informed the Council that the existing Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate exam reimbursement program would end with this May’s exam administration. The new federal Every Student</p>

	<p>Succeeds Act (ESSA) has made it allowable for districts to use Title 1 funds to pay for these exams in the future.</p> <p>Mr. Welch will be attending the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) Conference and the National Council of State Directors of Programs for the Gifted (CSDPG) Board meetings in October.</p>
Legislative Report	<p>Ms. Kyna Iman reported on the past legislative session highlighting the passage of Senate Bill 638 which contained provisions to encourage districts to continue serving gifted students in a state approved gifted program and that the full funding for the Missouri Fine Arts and Scholar Academies was included in the budget. Ms. Iman also indicated that the Governor did not withhold any of the Academy funding in his recent withholdings so both Academies should be fully funded again this year.</p>
GAM Report	<p>Dr. Lady welcomed the Council to Lindenwood and the New Teacher Workshop. Dr. Lady asked the Council members to please thank Mary Gismegian for securing us the Board Room for this meeting. Dr. Lady informed the Council that there were 30 attendees at the New Teacher Workshop this year and that represented a steady participation rate for the workshop over the last several years. The Council was reminded that the GAM Conference would be held on the Campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia on October 15 & 16. The Council will be provided a room to hold its meeting at the Conference and the Council members are invited to attend the Awards Luncheon on the 16th as the guest of GAM. New Officers of GAM will be elected at the October Conference. GAM is looking at the St. Louis area as a possible option for future conferences. The GAM Board will be holding its next meeting on September 17 at the new Gifted Center in the North Kansas City School District.</p>
III. Action Items	
	None
IV. Old Business	
Certification Q & A	<p>A draft document was discussed and additional edits and questions remained. Mr. Welch was directed to incorporate the edits and secure answers for the additional questions that were brought up and then to circulate a revised draft of the Q & A for the Council to consider.</p>
Exceptionally Gifted Q & A	<p>A draft was circulated for the Council to consider and several edits were proposed. Mr. Welch will bring a revised draft for the Council to consider at its October meeting.</p>
V. Study Items	
Recommendations # 1 & # 2 Status Report	<p>These recommendations are being considered in the Department's new data implementation process and are moving forward methodically.</p>
Recommendations # 4 & # 5 Review of Document & Next Steps	<p>A draft was distributed for the Council to consider. Several edits were recommended and Mr. Welch is to revise the draft and incorporate these suggestions from the Council as appropriate. The next steps in the development of this guidance document will be to have the GAM Board review it along with any district personnel they wish to solicit comments from with a deadline to submit comments by August 15. Once these comments are reviewed and considered, the Department will conduct its review for approval and the document will be added to the Department Gifted web page.</p>

VI. Lunch & Learn	
	Joining teachers attending New Teachers of the Gifted Workshop
VII. Study Items (continued)	
Recommendations # 6-10	Recommendation 6 regarding acceleration will stay basically as is. Recommendation 7 is being revised with a new rationale and more prescriptive time allocations to address the cognitive and social/emotional needs of gifted students. Recommendation 8 is being revised to incorporate language of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Dr. Winton is updating recommendations 9 & 10.
Data Analyses – Progress; Identification Information	
New Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuum of Services Model (related to RTI) Modifications to State Guidelines (Appeal Process, Acceleration Policy, Plan for Staff Development, other key gifted program issues) 	A Continuum of Services Model (related to RTI) and modifications to state guidelines in the areas of a formal appeal process, a board approved acceleration policy, and a required plan for staff development are being considered for possible inclusion as recommendations from the Council.
VIII. Public Comment	
	None
IX. Planning Upcoming Meeting(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dates (2016) – October 16 at GAM Conference, December 7 with December 9 as a backup date Dates (2017) – January 25 with January 27 as a backup date. March 1 is (GAM Day at the Capitol) Next Meeting Topics 	
X. Adjournment	
	A motion was made by Dr. Winton and seconded by Mrs. Holt to adjourn. (Yes: 5; No: 0). The meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

Attachments:

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