

MEETING MINUTES

Arizona State Board of Education Approved Online Instruction Accountability Technical Advisory Committee

NOTICE AND AGENDA

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona State Board of Education, the Approved Online Instruction Accountability Technical Advisory Committee and to the general public that the Committee will hold a meeting, open to the public, on **Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 9:00 A.M at 1700 W Washington St, Room 104, Phoenix, AZ 85007.**

Members of the public will have physical access to the meeting location 10 minutes before the Committee meeting, at 8:50 A.M.

A copy of the agenda for the meeting is attached. The Committee reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, with the exception of public hearings. One or more members of the Committee may participate telephonically.

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Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02 (H), the Committee may discuss and take action concerning any matter listed on the agenda.

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Methods on Accessing the Committee Meeting

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Procedure for Submitting Public Comment:

For individuals wishing to submit public comment

Written Comment:

Written comments for the meeting will be accepted by:

- email inbox@azsbe.az.gov
- fax to (602) 542-3046
- USPS to 1700 W. Washington St., Executive Tower, Suite 300, Phoenix, Arizona 85007

The deadline to submit a written comment will be Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 12:00 PM.

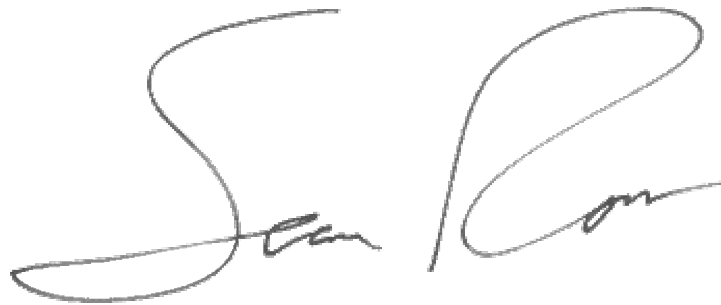
Written comments received after the deadline will not be posted and will not be provided to members.

Written comments will not be read into the record, however, staff will post all written comments received by the deadline on the Committee's agenda by **Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 5:00 PM.**

DATED AND POSTED this 14th day of March, 2024.

Approved Online Instruction Accountability Technical Advisory Committee

by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sean Ross". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "S" and "R".

Sean Ross, Executive Director
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1. Operational

Committee Meeting commenced at 9:03am.

Attendees

Kelly Pinkerton, Chair
Mary Gifford, Vice Chair
Yovhane Metcalfe, Committee Member
John Kelly, Committee Member

Jessica Mueller, Research and Data Analyst for the State Board of Education, took attendance. The Committee has a quorum.

A Committee Member made comments about Matt Wicks, Director of Assessments and Accountability for Pearson Virtual Schools, joining the Committee Meeting. All Committee Members took turns introducing themselves.

A. Comments for the record

Jessica Mueller, Research and Data Analyst for the State Board of Education, provided an update on the public comments received. No comments were received.

A Committee Member mentioned that due to time constraints, agenda item 2C(i). The State Board of Education will provide these updates via email.

2. Technical/Policy

A. UPDATED - SY22-23: Discussion/Review of A-F Appeals Applications related to Data/Testing in AOs (testing registration, concurrently enrolled students, FAY definition) - UPDATED

Jessica Mueller, Research and Data Analyst for the State Board of Education, presented to the Committee.

Jessica Mueller and the Committee Members discussed Accountability appeal data as it relates to subgroups like EL students. Discussions continued regarding the minimum amount of testing data (not number of students) for a school to have a subgroup, especially as it relates to data integrity.

Sean Smith, Chief Accountability Officer for the Arizona Department of Education, made comments about how the minimum number used to be twenty; however, this higher threshold made it so certain schools were incapable of earning full points.

Sean Smith, Committee Members discussed how some schools are appealing their accountability letter grade in an effort to drive policy.

Jessica Mueller, Sean Smith, and Committee Members discussed the graduation rate, graduation data, and 915s. Tracking graduation data is the school's responsibility and quite laborious. Correcting graduation data via 915 results in a financial impact for schools. There must be an alternative method to clean up data and a school's graduation rate without financial impact. Guidance has been sought from ADE School Finance.

Jessica Mueller shared that she is working with the Deputy Superintendent to work on

remote testing, communicating testing registration, responsibilities with testing, and MSA growth. Hope to update the Committee at the next AOI committee meeting.

Sean Smith and the Committee Members discussed indicator scoring as it relates to graduation rates. Concerns were expressed about how schools who assist credit deficiency students to graduate are not provided with points to reflect their efforts.

Committee Members discussed the differences between AOI schools and alternative schools and how they serve their students. Suggestions regarding adding indicators are possible for alternative schools.

B. UPDATED - Presentation and discussion on component scoring: Review of draft plan, timeline, and analysis of components for AOI schools - UPDATED

C. Study and discussion of AOI-ATAC member questions

i. Presentation and discussion on 4, 5, 6, 7-year graduation rates: Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A) (2), the Committee may vote to convene in executive session, which will not be open to the public, for discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection

Agenda item removed.

3. Future Meeting Dates and Items for Future Agendas

A Committee Member sought additional topics to add and research for a future committee meeting. None were provided.

Jessica Mueller, Research and Data Analyst for the State Board of Education, stated that legislative updates regarding AOIs will be emailed to the Committee Members.

The Committee Meeting adjourned at 10:11am.