OREGON EDUCATION INVESTMENT BOARD

Dec. 12, 2011
Special Meeting
Governor's Conference Room
Oregon State Capitol
Salem, Or

OEIB Members Present
Nancy Golden, Chair Designee; Richard Alexander; Yvonne Curtis; Matt Donegan; Julia Brim Edwards; Samuel Henry; Nicole Maher; Mark Mulvihill; David Rives; Ron Saxton; Mary Spilde; Kay Toran; Hanna Vaandering

Advisors Present

Members/Advisors Excused
Gov. John Kitzhaber, Chair; George Pernsteiner, Chancellor, OUS; Susan Castillo, Supt of Public Instruction; Camille Preus, Commissioner of Community Colleges; Josette Green, Director, Oregon Student Assistance Commission

Staff/Other Participants

Tim Nesbitt	Mgr, Education Investment Proj
Ben Cannon	Office of the Governor
Margie Lowe	Policy Ad., Ed Invest Proj.
Sarah Ames	Communications, Ed Inv. Proj.
Todd Jones	Policy Advisor, Ed Invest Project
Cheryl Yehling	OEIB Staff Support
Seth Allen	Executive Support, OEIB

Welcome and Introductions
This meeting was hosted in the Governor's Conference Room, where it was open to and observed by the public, and conducted by conference call. Roll call as members called into conference call.

Chair Nancy Golden started meeting at 1:03 p.m.
Tim Nesbitt summarized documents in Board packets:

- 12/9 Draft of the report without track changes.
- Updates to the two documents that tracked the suggestions and comments received from Board members. Issues doc. Version 4, Vaandering doc. version 2

Chair Golden: Thanked everyone for setting up extra meeting. Thanks for weekend work. Thanks staff. Ninety percent plus of all the concerns from the Board were put into the document. Things that didn't get in were issues that were in conflict with each other, or it conflicted with a key concept that appeared to represent consensus. That needs a dialogue instead of just inserting it in the document.

Plan for today:

1. Walk through the concerns.
2. Ask if there is anything else anyone needs?
3. Try and get to consensus and vote.

Issues and Concerns to be Addressed at the 12- 12-11 Special Meeting – Draft 4
Tim Nesbitt led the Board through the document.

Discussion points:

- #1 – Ten percent rate for adults without high school diplomas will surprise people when compared to lower one-time high school completion rate. Different data sources and calculations are explained in document, i.e. people that moved to Oregon with a degree from another state. Are they adequately highlighted in document? If we focus on the pipeline, we are addressing concerns, because then we are talking about the students moving through and we are making sure we are getting 100 percent of them.
- What is the focus and/or the "starting point"? Is this a mixed message? So many students are not college ready or are unemployed workers, and there is concern about narrowing the scope of the mission. There is added language explaining that there is more work to be done on this document. Will work on 40/40/20 plan in 2012.
- Concerns expressed about timeline. Discussion about who is recommending / submitting this draft. Tim Nesbitt explained that this is not only the chair's recommendation, but the Board's recommendation. Director Johanna Vaandering voiced concerns regarding rubberstamping any document without thorough reading, discussions and understanding of it.
- #6 – language needs to be strength based.
- #8 – Achievement compacts from ESD 1 , 2 – examples.
- #9 – Don't sugarcoat the fact that poverty is the number one impediment of students being successful. Our job is to come up with the strategies to change that predictive path for students.
- #15 – Get public / practitioners input and have discussion about language surrounding compacts and outcome levels.
- #17 – Understanding that this is a placeholder about what we *may* do. Ben Cannon recommends against language that commits us absolutely to that path, although it appears to be the path that we are on today. Add a qualifier.

Vaandering's Suggested Edits
Director Vaandering led the Board through the document.

Discussion points:

- Be careful about tone of using the term "islands of excellence". There are great things going on is a lot of our schools. "Challenging the status quo …" sounds like a challenge to the school system.
- Chapter 2 tone has changed for the better.
- Pg.2, Ch. 1, 5 or 6 meetings across the state.
- Pg. 8, Ch. 1, Reads: "…the will of our state, or us as state citizens." Suggestion: "Achieving this goal will challenge the will and capacity of all Oregonians".

- Pg. Ch. Suggestion: ”There was a proposal, but we must move forward with the resources we have, and identify how much progress can be accomplished, and how much require new resources”.
- Pg. 10, Ch. 2, Do incentives work as a tool to get where we want to go? Are incentives working at a district level? Individual teacher levels? Have best practices AND incentives in the document. Director Richard Alexander offered that incentives work everywhere else on the planet, and doesn’t want to see it completely removed. More discussion needs to be had.
- Pg. 11-12, Ch. 2, Look at language.

The Board needs a longer discussion with the middle 40 (community colleges and lifelong learning). The legislators that were involved in the legislation, the community and community colleges need to be brought in and have a discussion about how to best achieve that middle 40 and serve Oregonians.

MOTION: DIRECTOR SAMUEL HENRY MOVES TO VOTE TO ADOPT THE DOCUMENT WITH THE IDENTIFIED CHANGES; DIRECTOR YVONNE CURTIS SECONDS THE MOTION
Voice vote requested by Samuel Henry.
Voice vote:

Richard Alexander:	AYE
Julia Brim Edwards:	AYE
Yvonne Curtis:	AYE
Samuel Henry:	AYE
Nicole Maher:	AYE
Mark Mulvihill:	AYE
David Rives:	AYE
Ron Saxton:	AYE
Mary Spilde:	AYE
Kay Toran:	AYE
Johannah Vaandering:	AYE

Matt Donegan had to exit the call before the vote was taken.

MOTION PASSED

Recommendation from Nesbitt: Document will be edited for typos, style and clarity and pick up all changes. Director Curtis will be Board point person for final approval. She will receive document for final edits by 12:00 noon Tuesday, Dec. 13th. Needs comments back by 12:00 noon Wednesday, Dec. 14th.

Nancy Golden adjourned meeting at 2:16 pm.