



Governor's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Team

July 23, 2016 / 8:00 AM– 4:00 PM

State Capital – 5th Floor – Governor's Conference Room

Attendance of team members: Phil Bossert, Catherine Caine, Darrel Galera, Michele Kidani, Ann Mahi, Hubert Minn, Lauren Moriguchi, Steve Nakasato, Takashi Ohno, Catherine Payne, Amy Perruso, Linda Takayama, Brennan Lee, Stacy Roberts

Attendance of support team: Mike Tokioka, Karen Aka, Carm Minami, Mike Miyamura, Val Kardash

INFORMATION BRIEFING: Student Voice – Mc Erl Dave Andres, Brennan Lee, Tiffany Frias

From 8:30 to 9:30 am, ESSA Team was briefed on “student voice” by student leaders from the Hawaii State Student Council who also presented at the Hawaii Education Summit. New high school graduates Mc Erl Dave Andres (Waipahu High), Brennan Lee (Mililani High), Lei Lily Tam (Moanalua High), and advisor Tiffany Frias provided a briefing on the State Student Council and student voice.

To introduce the briefing, Darrel Galera shared the following information:

- Research from Dr. Russ Quaglia:
 - 46% of students feel that they have a voice in decision making at their school
 - 61% believe they have a voice upon entering middle school but 37% say they do by 12th grade
 - Defined as “when students are meaningfully engaged in decision making and improvement related processes in their schools”
 - Student Voice Framework for Action: (1) Student aspirations, (2) conditions needed to support, (3) working in partnership with students
 - According to DOE School Quality Survey, student satisfaction has decreased from 85% in 2013 to 69.7% in 2015

Major recommendations from the students included:

- Important for an emphasis on building relationships (social relationships, conceptual relationships) between students and teachers, students and principals, students and parents, and students and students.
- Connections are essential
- Students support teachers

- Students helping to encourage students to select education as a field of study and teaching as a profession of choice
- How to ignite student passions and dreams

ESSA TEAM UPDATES – Darrel Galera

Updates:

- Mahalo to Senator Kidani, HSTA for Lee Posey ESSA presentations on Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai
- Joint response to federal US Education Dept on proposed ESSA regulations
- Board of Education meeting held on July 19
- Update on Town Hall meetings – first meeting at Kapolei High School on July 27
- Time frame for DOE and implications for ESSA Team
- Future ESSA Team meetings

ESSA TEAM WORK SESSION

For nearly 6 hours, from 9:30 am through 3:00 pm, ESSA Team members completed focused work on the following:

- Debrief and evaluation of the Hawaii Education Summit including review of the input and feedback from the online summit evaluation
- Analysis and deconstruction of the vision shared by Governor Ige at the Summit
- Analysis of the input and feedback provided to the eight (8) design ideas presented at the Summit
- Review of the preliminary results from principal survey and teacher survey on ESSA related topics and issues
- Review and analysis of the joint DOE / BOE strategic plan and design ideas to identify convergence, divergence, and gaps (if any)
- Review of questions and feedback from Lee Posey ESSA presentations to prepare for town hall meetings

INFORMATION BRIEFING: School Funding and Teacher Quality– Corey Rosenlee

From 3:00 to 4:00 pm, ESSA Team members received a briefing from Corey Rosenlee, President of HSTA on funding issues for public education in Hawaii and the relationship to the teacher shortage and other teacher support issues.

Key talking points:

- A historical perspective of education funding
- Comparisons on funding and school finance
- Teacher shortage and implications for student learning
- Potential solutions and strategies for ESSA Team to consider

After the briefing, the ESSA Team had a follow up Q & A to clarify information.

Next meeting scheduled for August 6, 2016

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.