CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Hartford

Policy Development Committee December 5, 2012, Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes

Pursuant to notice filed with the Secretary of the State, the State Board of Education Policy Development Committee met at the Legislative Office Building, Hartford, on December 5, 2012.

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Estela López called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m. Present were committee members Dr. López, Mrs. Luke, and Mr. Wright. Mr. Jaskiewicz was absent.

II. Minutes of June 19, 2012, Policy Development Committee Meeting

On a motion by Mrs. Luke, seconded by Mr. Wright, the committee approved the minutes of the June 19, 2012, meeting of the Policy Development Committee.

III. Discussion of Comprehensive Plan Process

Chief of Staff Adam Goldfarb discussed the proposed role of the Policy Development Committee in developing the next comprehensive plan, and subsequent involvement by the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee and the full board. He noted that he will draft a schedule for this process and submit it to the committee. Mr. Goldfarb discussed the value of metrics to assess progress toward goals, and will incorporate into the Board's plan the Governor's six principles as well as other successful reform initiatives.

Dr. Lopez noted that it is important to begin with principles or assumptions upon which the plan is based, and expressed her hope that this would be a "living document" for use by the Board. She requested that the committee be provided with a couple model state plans and that we use this opportunity to signal the importance of our work and the necessity to work together to achieve the goals.

Discussion ensued regarding the list of potential organizations to be invited to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. Dr. Lopez stated that the committee representation should involve individuals across the state. Mr. Goldfarb noted that two groups that might be considered are the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges and the administrators' union.

Dr. Lopez requested that staff draft the principles for the plan, and provide them to committee members in advance of the next meeting.

IV. Adjourn

By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.