

INTERAGENCY COUNCIL FOR ENDING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP
Hartford

Draft Minutes of Meeting (Subject to Revision)
February 28, 2013

Call to Order

Lieutenant Governor Wyman called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. The meeting was held in Room 307 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members present were: Stefan Pryor, Commissioner, Department of Education
Stephen Tracy, Department of Children and Families
Roderick Bremby, Commissioner, Department of Social Services
Jeffrey Beckham, Department of Administrative Services
Leah Grenier, Office of Policy and Management
Robin Tousey-Ayers, Department of Public Health
Kip Bergstrom, Department of Economic and Community Development

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- IV. School Linked Services: Review of Draft Program Strategy and Framework
Charlene Russell-Tucker, Chief Operating Officer, State Department of Education, presented a program strategy for School Linked Services including draft vision, goals, short and long-term goals and a Wraparound Indicator Tool. The vision is to partner with other agencies to make school-linked services a reality.
- III. Update on Achievement Gap Task Force (AGTF) Master Plan
Miguel Cardona, co-chair of the AGTF, and David Kennedy, member of the AGTF, provided a written Status Report the AGTF on the development of the Master Plan. A subcommittee has been charged with completing the report with detailed recommendations and presenting a draft master plan for comment to the AGTF, the Interagency Council for Ending the Achievement Gap and to the State Board of Education before final adoption by the AGTF.
- II. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from October 25, 2012
Minutes were unanimously approved.
- V. Childhood Lead Poisoning and the Achievement Gap
Dr. Vivian Cross, Ed.D., Executive Director of the Foundation for Educational Advancement and member of the Centers for Disease Control's Advisory Committee on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention's (ACCLPP) Educational Interventions for Lead Exposed Children Work Group, and Francesca Provenzano from the Department of Public Health presented on the impact of lead poisoning on children and its contribution to the achievement gap. Presenters reviewed the results of the Children's Environmental Health Initiative's Phase II Report entitled *The Impact of Early Childhood Lead Exposure on Educational Test Performance among Connecticut Schoolchildren* and the Department of Public Health's *Education Guidelines for the Prevention and Management*

of Lead Poisoning in Children. In addition, Eileen McMurrer from the Birth to Three Early Intervention System distributed printed information.

VI. Next Meeting

The next meeting is May 30, 2013.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.