



# GATEWAYS TO OPPORTUNITY

Illinois Professional Development System

## PDAC Steering Committee Agenda

May 18, 2016: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

May 19, 2016: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Eastland Suites

**Mission:** To promote, support, and recognize professional preparation and training for all current and future early care and education, school-age, and youth development practitioners.

**Vision:** Illinois early care and education, school-age, and youth development practitioners are well-qualified professionals who educate, nurture, and meet the needs of children and youth in partnership with their families.

**Values:** We believe an effective professional development system is inclusive of practitioners in all settings serving children, youth, and families; service providers and program staff; and educators and trainers.

### Day 1: May 18, 2016

- 10:00 AM**      **Welcome** – Deb Widenhofer and Marsha Hawley, Co-Chairs
- Housekeeping
  - Review of Agenda
- 10:10 AM**      **Review and Approval of Minutes** – Marsha Hawley
- March 23, 2016
- 10:15 AM**      **Ice Breaker Exercise** – Marsha Hawley
- 10:35 AM**      **Qualifications and Credentials Committee ECE Level 1 Recommendation** –Teri Talan and Diana Rosenbrock, Co-Chairs
- 10:55 AM**      **PDAC utilization of consensus voting process** (Goal: capture Steering Committee thoughts and ideas to inform Governance Committee review of voting and recommendation for voting process.)
- **Historical Perspective**
  - **Voting** - small group activity
    - In groups of 4-5: What groups/councils/committees do members belong to?
    - What types of voting processes are used?
    - What are “pros and cons” of each method?
  - **Report Back from small groups**
    - Discussion: What do Steering members wish to share with Governance: what type of voting process might be most effective for PDAC moving forward?
- 12:00 PM**      **Lunch**
- 1:00 PM**      **Teacher Assistant Recommendation on the table—clarifying next steps**
- Options for consideration:**
- WDP committee reviewed and is strong in moving it forward
  - Move forward to PDAC in June

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- Move recommendation to the i2I team
  - Past history of moving recommendations from Steering to other entities working on similar or aligned efforts.

**2:00 PM Changing State Council, Cabinet and Committees – Dan Harris**

- Children’s Cabinet
- Early Childhood Workforce Commission
- P-20 Council
- Illinois Early Learning Council restructure

**State and National Landscape**

- ITTQI Group – INCCRRA Staff: Beth Knight, Joellyn Whitehead, Joni Scritchlow
- i2I Group – Johnna Darragh-Ernst

**3:10 PM Break**

**3:30 PM Qualifications and Credentials SAYD Ad Hoc Committee Recommendations – Tammy Notter and Christy Allen, Co-Chairs**

- Merging of SA and YD into one Credential
- Framework
- Benchmarks

**4:10 PM FCC Recommendations – Sandra Cole and Diana Rosenbrock, Co-Chairs**

- Level 2
- Framework
- Benchmarks (Level 2 – 4 and Level 5)

**5:15 PM Adjourn**

**6:00 PM Swingers Grille reservation at 6:15 (meet in the lobby at 6:00)**

**Day 2: May 19, 2016**

**8:00 AM Breakfast**

**8:15 AM Opening – Recap Yesterday’s Work – Marsha Hawley**

**8:45 AM Credentials**

- **Navigating Uncharted Territory** – Georgetown University Study recapped
- **Uber Competencies** – Johnna Darragh-Ernst
  - Drilling down to the 50 competencies
  - Next Steps – Sharing with the higher education community
  - Impact on Trainings and ExceleRate
- **Training Redesigned for Credentials** - Beth Knight

**10:30 AM Break for Check-out**

**11:15 AM Committee’s Current Work and Updates on their Strategic Plan**

- Financial Supports – Laurie Rhodes
- Information and Trends – Dawn Thomas
- Workforce Development and Pathways –Johnna Darragh-Ernst
  - Info-graphs discussion
- Proposed FY 17 PDAC and PDAC Steering Meeting Dates

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**12:45 PM IOM/PDAC Recommendation Work – Deb Widenhofer and Marsha Hawley**

**1:35 PM Advocacy and Federal & State Fiscal Impacts  
Member Updates**

**2:00 PM Adjourn**

**Next PDAC Meeting: June 24, 2016**

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