# Central Florida Assessment Collaborative Meeting

# November 14, 2014

Holiday Inn Downtown Disney

1805 Hotel Plaza Blvd, Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830

**Welcome & Introductions**

**In Attendance**

Heather Wright, Polk; Justin Seabolt, Osceola; Marie Kigos, Osceola; Carlos Caban, Osceola; Angel Teron, Lake; Stephane Creer, Pasco; Kevin White, Sarasota; Amy Donner, Sarasota; Rebecca Keffer, NEFEC; Jeanine Mills, Manatee; Richard Baum, Broward; Barbara Rodrigues, Brevard; Diane Romon, Nassau; Greg Alford, PAEC; Sue Meckler, Sarasota; Kelly Thompson, Seminole; Camilla Hudson, Bay; Matt Lynch, Alachua; Gina Anthony, St Lucie; Pete Zsiga, St Lucie; John Carr, Brevard; Chris Stefanick, Volusia; Renee Foran, Pinellas; Dominic Piscitelli, Charlotte; Linda Pierce, Hernando; Kathy Daily, St Lucie; Dawn Caruso, Martin; Cheryl Baker, Palm Beach; Kathy Lawrence, Levy; Laruie Graebner, DeSoto; Cathy Simmons, AVID; Wendy Coffman, Eduphoria.

**Attending via Webinar**

Elizabeth Kushner, Broward; Robin Novelli, Brevard; Theresa Lesard, Broward

* Heather’s new contact information: [Heather.wright@polk-fl.net](mailto:Heather.wright@polk-fl.net); (863) 534-0691

**Course Updates**

* See attached handout for completed grant and non-grant course list. There has been no change from September. All reports received from DOE since September have been incorrect. They are working with DOE to resolve.
* The greatest need for teachers is in:
  + Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair
  + Chinese
  + Army JROTC (Leadership Education & Training)
  + Air Force JROTC (Aerospace Science)
* JROTC – They’ve tried to crosswalk national standards with state standards. Items are being written based on what is being taught (national), but items are aligned in Eduphoria with state standards.
* Navy 1-4 items have been entered into Eduphoria. Once they are reviewed by a proofreader, they will be published and available for export.
* OCPS legal department has contacted legal departments in (unnamed) surrounding counties about process for sharing items. Other legal departments said they were not interested. Brandon (OCPS) will provide Heather with list of districts contacted so that we can reach out to our legal department
* An auditor is being paid to review grant items to check spelling/grammar. Items found with errors will be rejected back to level 3 reviewer for revision.
* Discussed how items with questionable performance might be revised. Logistically challenging as most districts are using their own platforms. Ideally, flagged items would be matched to an IBTP item numbers (harder on the districts).
* Call for Editors/Proofreaders – an email went out a few days ago. We need additional level 3 reviewers to prevent backlogs and the need for future auditing.
* Discussed issue of reviewers approving blank items and getting paid for it.
* All standards for CTE courses have been updated to 2014-25. The revised items will be available for import within the next few days.
* Last export to IBTP – November 3; next full export will be March 1.
* Reminder that fiscal agent option is available to districts that are not in good standing.
* District security agreements have been received from the following districts:
  + Collier
  + Desoto
  + Escambia
  + Flagler
  + Hendry
  + Highlands
  + Levy
  + Manatee
  + Miami-Dade
  + Nassau
  + Okaloosa
  + Osceola
* Pasco
* Pinellas
* Putnam
* Sarasota
* St. Lucie
* Sumter
* Volusia
* Wakulla
* Walton
* Washington
* 11,989 items have been published in Eduphoria; 5404 are available in the IBTP. Psychology 1 & 2, Calculus, and Law Studies are close to complete upload in IBTP.
* Warning – do not use any Liberal Arts 1 & 2 items!! The DOE changed course number, so items need to be realigned.
* DOE just put out an updated list of # items by course in IBTP. Will be posted on CFAC website. Justin will advise when posted. Best to use District Access-Not Teachers tab.

**Grant-Funded Work Session**

* Upcoming: Gainesville – 12/8 & 12/9; location TBD. See attached handout for course list. Plea is for Automotive.
* There was a JROTC in Broward 10/14-10/16. They had to work in both Equella and Eduphoria. Many items written, but they are awaiting level 1 review. They had issues with number of attendees vs. number of invitees, and with teachers not attending all 3 days. Need Air Force for the next session.

**Tests Built in IBTP**

* Email the blueprint that directly aligns to your test to Justin Seabolt. Make sure the blueprints include the Item Numbers from all items that you used on your test. Please save the blueprint file as “Course Name – Course ID.”
* Email the name of the test (with proper naming convention) to Justin Seabolt. [seaboltj@osceola.k12.fl.us](mailto:seaboltj@osceola.k12.fl.us). The updated naming schema was sent by email
* Heather submits to DOE and DOE shares through IBTP with CFAC districts. Tests are only for grant courses at this time.
* Polk is using more frequent mini-assessments for primary. They are adding voice overs for kindergarten tests so that they can be administered online.

**CTE Courses – New Grant**

* See attached handout for list of 198 CTE new grant courses.
* This is a non-competitive grant using leftover RttT funds. Polk will be fiscal agent on behalf of CFAC. The work has to be completed by June.
* 140 courses are offered by 5 or more districts – those should be manageable. Districts offering the other courses are encouraged to use this opportunity to fund their work.
* They will hire 3 project managers with 3 assistants, chunked by content area.
* Due to short-term nature of assignments, salaries will be competitive
* Due to short turn-around time, item writers earn $50 per published item; $7 per items reviewed.
* Grant includes funds to create an advisory board to be compromised of people from education and private sector
* Districts can submit items to go through the review process.
* Hopefully the award will be made in early December.

**AVID**

* Items are housed in Eduphoria; at this time district must access the banks through Eduphoria.
* Eduphoria is willing to provide a free export to Performance Matters (or other platforms) annually. As items would be updated annually, the items would be licensed for use annually. Eduphoria would work with other platforms on licensing agreements.
* Revised item bank will be available January 15.
* Districts encouraged to start conversations with their platform provider.
* AVID states that items are to be used as end-of-course assessments only – not for interim assessments.

**IBTP-Related Issues**

(add info – this is when I was out of the room)

**Courses Exempt from EOY**

* Refer to email from Jason Gaitanis
* Spreadsheet is being added to CFAC website

**Assessment Policies – District Discussion**

* Policies that were submitted were included as handouts
* Q & A – recorded on PowerPoint

**Next Meeting Wed., Jan. 14th**