

Citizen Review Panel
Monday, January 20, 2014
Noon to 3:00 p.m.

Present: Diwakar, Dana, Susie, Ben, Margie

Absent: Kristin

Minutes

1) Juneau—Diwakar, Dana, Margie, Ben, Sylvan
Stedman having no hearing this session.

- Still no firm dates, no acknowledgement at all of two e-mails each sent to Chair of House and Senate HSS Committee
- Presentation: What are our 2-3 main points?
- Recap annual report and OCS response
- Budget issue—50 million on front line social workers,

1. Dana: Talk to Rynnieva, Susie: Talk to Gara, Ben: A message from Gara is discounted, \$1.9 B deficit, how would that affect OCS, what our best course of action would be.

2. OCS and tribes: Comes from visit to Barrow and Kodiak site visits, concerns about ICWA workers in Kodiak,

Maybe broader issue of better communication with partners, in rural areas

DV: Recommend, OCS response, add site visit: tribal/OCS relationships, RI, OCS needs no cuts

SH: Reasonable, brief and to the point, implication of cuts (turn over)

BC: Working smarter, doing more with less, enters time sheet

DH: Okay with me

Margie: Boring, shorten, sharpen

Sylvan: PowerPoint

- Who do we want to meet with in addition to Committee presentations?

1. Senate committee members
2. Invite Senate committee to House
3. Coghill. Rynnieva
4. Christy, Rhea, Streur,
5. Les Gara
6. Herron,
7. Rep Tarr
8. Donnie Olson (Senator Olson, finance)
9. Paul Seaton
- 10.

2) Kodiak follow-up

- Time to debrief on Kodiak with OCS staff
 - Next monthly teleconference? February 14th (We might be in Juneau)—Ask Christy if she wants to do it again, (in Juneau)
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- Deadline to send notes for report?

One write report, send to other one, review and add, then send village report in,

Write notes by Friday and share with team, use Barrow format—for notes to me,
- Remember to send receipts if you have any—Diwakar hasn't turned in
- Talk to Sheridan (OCS) (in person, me schedule), with Kodiak Coast Guard guy (Diwakar, Margie, me schedule), ICWA workers Shunak tribe (Diwakar and Margie, me schedule) (Linda receeseoff), before finalize trip report
- Dana: Diwakar talk with Bernita before finish report

3) Response to annual report

Should we do drafts? Margie says no. Diwakar: Stop sharing drafts. Susie: Point was to catch mistakes before public.
 Stop drafts, better trust. Diwakar will e-mail her to tell her.
 Diwakar: OCS response feels casual and informal. No thoughts about long term concerns.

4) Bethel trip update

- Diwakar and Sylvan, January 30-31, relationship between OCS and YKHC

- Diwakar ticket, forward

5) BIA data

- a. Q6 message further, come up with clear points of paragraphs,
- b. Q9 message further: waiting for results,
- c. Make half page

6) Recruiting

- Time to interview Rodreshia from Barrow—Margie, Diwakar, Susie, Ben (maybe), Not offering her a different level of membership, can pick and choose her level of engagement, clarify tomorrow
- Other interested person: Carol Wren, CITC (sent her an application, no response) Diwakar: fill follow up

7) Next meeting dates

- Monthly meeting Feb. 4th
- Juneau trip (Diwakar, Dana, Margie, Ben, Sylvan) Week of February 10th
- Friday, February 14th Noon to 1:00 p.m. Teleconference with Christy (maybe, depends on Juneau)
Friday, February 14th 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Teleconference to debrief about Christy

Juneau - Would it make a difference if I or someone on the Panel call and talk to anyone of the legislators? I think it is silly that the legislature funds us and they don't care to hear from us. It also says something about the value they ascribe to CRP and its work. As for the presentation, we need to cover these:

- Tribal-OCS relationships - our recommendations over the years, and what we noticed this year and why we think it is important. This gives us a chance to acknowledge the state-TCC partnership
- Review of our recommendations and OCS response - whether we think it is adequate and what more we think needs to be done

The rest of the items on the agenda.

Kodiak follow-up:

- Debriefing with OCS can happen during our March meeting with them. But, the trip report needs to be out before the end of Jan. So, notes from all of us should reach you before the 20th. That will give us enough time to write the final report. This is going to be a tricky one to write. Similar to what we did in Barrow,

we should try to focus on the system than the individual and give OCS something that they can act on.

- Another reason we need to get the trip report out before the end of Jan is to make sure the people we met with did not forget our visit. IF we have email addresses for all those we met, we should send them a thank you note now, telling them that the trip report will be forthcoming.

OCS Response to Annual Report

- I think I agree with Margie that we should do away with reviewing drafts. This calls for a change of course on what we did with our annual report. So, this needs to be discussed and communicated to OCS.
- There are a few things I would like OCS to change in their response. We need to discuss this and any other comments from other Panel members and send those thoughts to Christy and Travis.

Recruitment

- Please send a doodle poll for Rodreshia's interview. We need to move on that soon. And please send a reminder to Carol to send her application in. Don't know her personally, but her position is a valuable addition to the Panel.
- Please follow up with the one person who left contact information on the survey.

Student recruitment and case reviews

- I need to contact Eva Kopaz here at UAA. Will do that. In the meantime, we need to hook up with Kim at UAF to come up with a case review plan. We need two volunteer panel members to work with Kim and Bernita to come up with a plan. I think both Susie and Margie would be excellent. They both bring different perspectives. Others, if interested, can join them. This needs to be discussed by the Panel.
- Diwakar: follow up on UAA
- Kim interested in CRP—
- Need two Panel volunteers from Panel to work with Kim Fisher: Susie (needs March), maybe invite Kim Guay or Bernita maybe Dana? Week of the 3rd
- 1. Go through Bernita's file review, and what questions is she not asking that we'd like to know
- 2. Once know what questions we want to ask, meet with Kim Fisher to figure out what documents need to review, (Ben as observer), once have protocol, meet with Kim Guay
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Data request to OCS.

- This has more to do with the work plan. No one responded to my email on data request. May be people will briefly reflect on it during the meeting.
- Diwakar: Children's Trust presentation, get agreement between OCS and ISER for data analysis.