2014 National Title I Conference Planning Committee February 25, 2013 Meeting Notes

Committee Members Attending: Margaret MacKinnon (AK), Otistene Smith (AR), Gayle Pauley (WA), Yvonne Ryans (WA)

Staff Attending: Kristina Carbone (A+), Lisa Brandes (A+)

Registration Fee

• Recommendation: Increase full conference registration from \$525.00 to \$549.00, a 4.5% increase. Full conference registration has been \$525.00 since 2009.

Session Topics

- <u>Decision</u>: Continue using *Leadership*, *Instruction* and *Policy* as the major themes for presentations.
- <u>Discussion</u>: "Hot" topic subjects: Student Safety, New Standards, Assessment, Implementation of Common Core Standards, People with Disabilities (help to meet standards), Support for English Learners, and Family Engagement
- <u>Decision</u>: Use topics shown in existing "tags" on Title I On Demand site for topics encouraged for the conference, with following changes:
 - o Adjust "flexibility" to "flexibility/waivers"
 - o Add "fiscal issues"
- <u>Decision</u>: Ask individuals submitting proposals to select the top three categories that apply to their proposal from the list provided.

Proposal Submission Guidelines

Decisions:

- Continue using the rubric developed for the 2013 conference.
- Revise presenter information to request information about their "expertise" in the topic, rather than just asking for a biography.
- Ensure that graders can view all proposals submitted by the applicant to review them together.
- Limit the number of proposals that anyone can submit to three.
- Staff will flag proposals that include presenters from commercial organizations to assist graders' review.

Next Steps

- 1. Topics for next meeting are:
 - Identify Keynote topics
 - Identify key organizations & individuals to be encouraged to submit proposals
 - Discuss conference structure based on evaluations received from 2013 conference.
- 2. April meeting date has been changed to Tuesday, April 16, 2013 (note day of week change)

Next Call:

Date: Monday March 25, 2013

Time: 4PM EDT, 3PM CDT, 2PM MDT, 1PM PDT & MST, 12PM AKDT, and 10AM HS