# 2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: The Northeast and Islands Regional Advisory Committee

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| 1. Department or Agency | 2. Fiscal Year |
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| Department of Education | 2024 |

| 3. Committee or Subcommittee | 3b. GSA Committee No. |
|---|---|
| The Northeast and Islands Regional Advisory Committee | 76856 |

| 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year? | 5. Current Charter | 6. Expected Renewal Date | 7. Expected Term Date |
|---|---|---|---|
| No | 03/22/2023 | 03/22/2025 | 01/31/2024 |

| 8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear? | 8b. Specific Termination Authority | 8c. Actual Term Date |
|---|---|---|
| No | Pub. L. 107-279; 20 U.S.C. 9605 | |

| 9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear | 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate? | 10b. Legislation Pending? |
|---|---|---|
| Continue | Not Applicable | Not Applicable |

**11. Establishment Authority** Statutory (Congress Created)

| 12. Specific Establishment Authority | 13. Effective Date | 14. Commitee Type | 14c. Presidential? |
|---|---|---|---|
| Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-279-20 USC 9605). | 01/23/2002 | Ad hoc | No |

**15. Description of Committee** Other Committee

| 16a. Total Number of Reports | No Reports for this FiscalYear |
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| 17a. Open | 17b. Closed | 17c. Partially Closed | Other Activities | 17d. Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |

**Meetings and Dates**

| Purpose | Start | End |
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| RAC Meeting 2. During the second meeting, the RACs (1) reviewed additional input received from stakeholders and public comments received and, based on the information received, finalized their assessment of the critical educational needs of each region; and (2) deliberated on the education needs assessment for their region and finalized recommendations to be included in the assessment report. The RACs voted on the top five priorities for the region. | 10/12/2023 - 10/12/2023 |
| RAC Meeting 3. During the third meeting, the RAC reviewed subcommittee recommendations and voted on the final educational needs assessment included in the final report for each region. | 11/16/2023 - 11/16/2023 |

**Number of Committee Meetings Listed:** 2

| | Current FY | Next FY |
|---|---|---|
| **18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **18d. Total** | $0.00 | $0.00 |
| **19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)** | 0.00 | 0.00 |

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The committee accomplished its purpose by participating in a Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting. For the meeting, the RAC reviewed educational data from the region and public comments received and deliberated and made recommendations about the critical education needs of the region and discussed how those needs can most effectively be addressed through technical assistance activities.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The membership was balanced per the Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002. The member composition is mandated by Title II, Sec. 203 of the ETAA of 2002, §9605.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

One open RAC meeting was held. The meeting focused on reviewing and deliberating on the educational data and needs assessment for the region.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The Regional Advisory Committees are authorized by the Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002 (ETAA) (Pub. L. 107-279; 20 U.S.C. 9605); 5 U.S.C. 301; Pub. L. 95–521, Ethics in Government Act of 1978; Pub. L. 101–194, Ethics Reform Act of 1989, as amended; and Executive Orders 12674, 12565, and 11222, as amended. The Regional Advisory Committees are also governed by the provisions of 5 U.S.C. Chapter 10 (Federal Advisory Committees).

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

N/A

## 21. Remarks

The objective of the Committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Education (Secretary) regarding the educational needs of one of the ten regions served by the Regional Educational Laboratories (RELs) for input regarding technical assistance activities described in Section 203 of the Educational Technical Assistance Act (ETAA) and how those needs would be most effectively addressed.

## Designated Federal Officer

Sarah Zevin Education Program Specialist

| Committee Members | Start | End | Occupation | Member Designation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Benigni, Mark | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Meriden Public Schools Superintendent of Schools, Meriden, Connecticut, | Representative Member |
| Bordonaro, Anne | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Division Director, Federal & Education Support Programs, VT Agency of Education (AOE)" | Representative Member |
| Brown, Karen | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Dean and Professor School of Education University of the Virgin Islands | Representative Member |
| Chuta, Daniel | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Deputy Commissioner of Education, Maine Department of Education | Representative Member |
| Colterman, Danielle | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | St. Lawrence Central Elementary School - Principal | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Goldenberg, Lauren | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | New York City Department of Education, Senior Director, Research & Evaluation | Representative Member |
| Kielma, Carolyn | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Practicing Educator - SGE | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Lambert, Ed | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Executive Director, Massachusetts Business Alliance for Education (MBAE) | Representative Member |
| Little, David | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Executive Director Rural Schools Association of New York State, Inc | Representative Member |
| Lloyd, Charles | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | President of White Mountains Community College | Representative Member |
| McGowan, Kevin | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Superintendent of Schools, Brighton Central School District | Representative Member |
| Powers, Robert | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | K-12 Social Studies Coordinator, Plymouth School District | Special Government Employee (SGE) Member |
| Roldan, Kelvin | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | Albizu University, San Juan, PR -current President | Representative Member |
| Soto, Nelson | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | IHE | Representative Member |
| Thompson-Bennett, Donna | 07/01/2023 | 01/31/2024 | National Parent Leadership Institute (NPLI) Executive Director | Representative Member |

**Number of Committee Members Listed:** 15

**Narrative Description**

A strategic initiative of the Agency is improving direct and Department-funded technical assistance. The work of this and the nine other Regional Advisory Committees provides current information about technical assistance needs and how they can best be met.

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

| | Checked if Applies |
|---|---|
| Improvements to health or safety | ☐ |
| Trust in government | ☐ |
| Major policy changes | ☐ |
| Advance in scientific research | ☐ |
| Effective grant making | ✓ |
| Improved service delivery | ✓ |
| Increased customer satisfaction | ✓ |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | ☐ |
| Other | ☐ |

**Outcome Comments**

N/A

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

| | Checked if Applies |
|---|---|
| None | ✓ |
| Unable to Determine | ☐ |
| Under $100,000 | ☐ |
| $100,000 - $500,000 | ☐ |
| $500,001 - $1,000,000 | ☐ |
| $1,000,001 - $5,000,000 | ☐ |
| $5,000,001 - $10,000,000 | ☐ |
| Over $10,000,000 | ☐ |
| Cost Savings Other | ☐ |

**Cost Savings Comments**

N/A

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**
0

**Number of Recommendations Comments**
The recommendations will be uploaded in FY 2024.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**
0%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**
0.00%

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**
0%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**
0.00%

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**
Yes ☐ No ☑ Not Applicable ☐

**Agency Feedback Comments**
N/A

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

| | Checked if Applies |
|---|---|
| Reorganized Priorities | ☐ |
| Reallocated resources | ☐ |
| Issued new regulation | ☐ |
| Proposed legislation | ☐ |
| Approved grants or other payments | ☐ |
| Other | ☐ |

**Action Comments**
N/A

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**
No

**Grant Review Comments**
N/A

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

| | Checked if Applies |
|---|---|
| Contact DFO | ☐ |
| Online Agency Web Site | ☑ |
| Online Committee Web Site | ☑ |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site | ☑ |
| Publications | ☐ |
| Other | ☐ |

**Access Comments**
N/A