2009 Current Fiscal Year Report: Secretary's Advisory Committee on Re-Designation of Head Start Grantees

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1. Department or Agency				2. Fiscal Year	
Department of Health and Human Services			2009		
Department of freaking and fullian dervices			3b. GSA		
3. Committee or Subcommittee			Committee		
			No.		
Secretary's Advisory Committee on			34516		
Re-Designation of Head Start Grantees			34310		
4. Is this New During	j 5. Curi	rent 6. E	Expected	7. Expected	
Fiscal Year?	Charte	er Re	newal Date	Term Date	
No	01/08/2	2008			
8a. Was Terminated	Durina	8b. Spe		8c. Actual	
FiscalYear?	-	Iermination		Term Date	
		Authori	ty		
Yes				01/08/2010	
9. Agency		10a. Leg	gislation	10b.	
Recommendation for Next Rec		-	- Ferminate?	Legislation	
FiscalYear				Pending?	
Terminate		No			
11. Establishment Au	-			s Created)	
12. Specific	13.		14.	14c.	
Establishment		ective		Presidential?	
Authority	Dat		Туре		
42 U.S.C. 9836	12/	12/2007	Continuing	No	
15. Description of Co	ommitte	e Other	Committee		
16a. Total Number of Reports 1					
16b. Report Report Tit Date					
A System of Designation Renewal of 12/01/2008 Head Start Grantees					
Number of Committe	e Repo	orts Liste	ed: 1		
17a. 1 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 1 Open					
Meetings and Dates					

Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
The meeting was to have the committee		
reach agreement on the recomendations for	10/20/2008	- 10/21/2008
the final report.		

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$1,076.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$6,249.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$7,850.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$5,662.00	\$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	\$20,837.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.05	5 0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Committee is accoplishing it's purpose through three workgin meetings that are open to the public. At the October 2008 meeting the Committee drafted the basis for the report to the Secretary which they will submit later this year. The committee completed its report and it was submitted to the Secretary in December 2008.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Advisory Committee shall consist of 7 Expert Panel members whose areas of expertise is outlined by statute. Of those members one member shall have demonstrated competency, as evidenced by training, expertise and experience in early childhood program accreditation. One Expert Panel member shall have demonstrated competency, as evidenced by training, expertise and experience in research on early childhood development. One Expert Panel member shall have demonstrated competency, as evidenced by training, expertise and experience in governance and finance of nonprofit organizations. One Expert Panel member shall have demonstrated competency, as evidenced by training, expertise and experience in delivery of services to populations of children with special needs and their families. One Expert Panel member shall have demonstrated competency, as evidenced by training, expertise and experience in assessment and evaluation of programs serving young children. One Expert Panel member shall be an employee of the Office of Head Start. One Expert Panel member shall be an executive Director of a Head Start agency.

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

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year - 1 Estimated Total Meetings - 3

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

The Advisory Committee on Re-Designation of Head Start Grantees is required to provide advice and recommendations on the development of a transparent, reliable and valid system for designation renewal.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or

partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings are open to the public.

21. Remarks

Designated Federal Officer

Frank Fuentes Deputy Director, Office of Head

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Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Brown, Patricia	02/19/2008	01/31/2010	Acting Director, Office of Head Start, Administration for Children and Families	Ex Officio Member
Daniel, Jerlean	02/19/2008	01/31/2010	Deputy Director, National Association for Education of Young Children	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Enriquez, Blanca	02/19/2008	01/31/2010	Executive Director, Head Start Program, Educaiton Service Center - Region 19	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Fantuzzo, John	02/19/2008	01/31/2010	Professor, University of Pennsylvania	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Haskins, Ron	02/19/2008	01/31/2010	Senior Fellow, Brookings Institute	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Innocenti, Mark	02/19/2008	01/31/2010	Early Intervention Research Institute	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Stewart, Craig	02/19/2008	01/31/2010	President, Apex Foundation	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 7

Narrative Description

The Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007 requires the Secretary to develop a system for designation renewal to determine if Head Start Agencies are delivering high-quality and comprehensive Head Start programs that meet the education, health, nutritional, and social needs of the children and families they serve, and meet program and financial management requirements and the program performance standards. This committee will provide recomendations on how to make those determinations.

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	\checkmark	
Advance in scientific research		
Effective grant making	\checkmark	
Improved service delivery	\checkmark	
Increased customer satisfaction		
Implementation of laws or regulatory	1	
requirements	ι	
Other		

Outcome Comments

Recommendations were included in the Committee's Report to the Secretary not yet submitted. These Recomendations are being used in the drafting of proposed regulations for the implementation of a major policy change to promote more effective grant making in the Head Start program. This change, from indefinite non-competitive grants to 5 year grants, was required by the Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007. The change will require grantees that are not providing high quality services to compete for continuation grants to improve delivery of services across Head Start programs.

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

What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

Number of Recommendations Comments

The committees included 17 recomendations with comments in the final report

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

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Proposed regulations have been drafted in response to the recomendations of the committee and submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.

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

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

As the proposed regulations have not yet been finalized within the Department we can not estimate the percentage of recomendations that will be implemented.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes 🗹 No 🗌 Not Applicable 🗌

Agency Feedback Comments

The Agency will be preparing a report to Congress as required by the Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act that outlines how the agency implemented the Committee's Recomendations on the proposed system. The Report is required to explain any areas where the Committee's recomendations were not adopted. The agency will send Committee members copies of that report to Congress.

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

The Agency will be issuing proposed regulations.

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

Grant Review Comments

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

	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	\checkmark
Online Agency Web Site	
Online Committee Web Site	
Online GSA FACA Web Site	\checkmark
Publications	
Other	

Access Comments

The Report to the Secretary is posted on the agency website at http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov