

Admissions and Education Workgroup Meeting Summary

August 23, 2021

Attendees:

Workgroup Members: Linda Odermott, Brian Cox, Maxine Tuan,

Regulation Workgroup: Sue Gerhardt

OSB Staff: Susan Grabe, Matt Shields,

Advisory Members: Aubrey Baldwin, Constance Green, Crystal Sullivan, Terry Wright

Discussion

- Community Colleges interest in offering (non-credit) track for education waiver applicants and renewing CLEs - Connie Green w/ Blue Mountain
 - Connie to facilitate outreach to all the community colleges
 - Create a subcommittee to work on this piece
 - Would need to ensure they meet the OSB admissions and MCLE guidelines for approval
 - PCC and UCC to lead and mentor other community colleges
 - Workforce trainings and competencies to be identified (through the list of education guidelines and topics)
- Reviewed Supreme Court questions and concerns re Attorney Certification
 - Not clear what the question or concern is
 - Linda to reach out the Jason Specht to get insight on this issue
 - Will provide a report back to the team, once we have more clarity
- Revisit "Vastly Experienced" Recommendation included in report to the OR Supreme Court
 - Revisited past discussion on the language in the report, which was discussed in advance of submission to the Oregon Supreme Court
 - Discussed other jurisdictions Sandbox proposals and how they fit into the current language
 - Utah already approved the Sisters of the Holy Cross to assist with Debt Collections and a Domestic Violence Crisis Center to provide legal advice to domestic violence victims as part of the Sandbox
 - Recommendation addressed meeting the needs of the community where the individuals are
 - Felt that it was a disservice not to bring this up as part of this program, but defer to the OR Supreme Court to decide if they wish to pursue it
 - Report contained recommendation that Vastly Experienced be included in Phase II, if the Supreme Court decided it was in support
 - Concern about inclusion of hairstylists and barbers
 - noted that in black and brown communities, this is where many seek counsel
 - is this group a better target for education not inclusion in this program?
 - Change name to Trusted Community Advisors
 - Move Barbers and Hairdressers from top of list – will receive pushback for including them in the list
 - Separate out the Vastly Experienced and the Trusted Community Advisors; Brian to provide the language specific to the Vastly Experienced applications

- Are we making this too complicated?
 - Take the discussion to the full PLIC and revisit
- Form-driven tiered licensure discussion as requested by PLIC
 - No legal advice (assist with form selection and completion only)
 - 1500 hours as a baseline
 - Are we making this too complicated by having so many options? simple is better
 - Goal to ensure the program gets off the ground
 - Enforcement and complaint process will be challenging by adding them to the program
 - Document preparer discussion tabled and will revisit next month.
- Revisit discussion on metrics for success
- Discussion on outreach to Court Facilitators/Trial Court Administrators - Bryan Marsh
- Discussion on outreach to Military/Veterans Section - Ross Neher
- Review updated "restricted actions" updated from Regulation Workgroup's reports
 - Because Sue is in attendance, asked her to Request clearer delineation between actions that are permitted and actions that are restricted (a chart?)
 - Send redlines of Regulation Workgroup on permitted actions and education requirements for family law and landlord/tenant as well as the restricted actions for both
 - Brian to work with the Regulation Workgroup to consolidate his recommendations for the landlord/tenant permitted and restricted scope of work

Action Items

- Brian to send over his proposed draft language related to the Vastly Experienced Professionals by September 13
- Linda to connect with Brian Marsh re the Court Facilitators and Trial Court Administrators in advance of the next PLIC meeting
- Linda to connect with the Oregon Supreme Court liaison to address concerns regarding attorney certification of the applicants in advance of the next PLIC meeting
- Provide redlines of approved and prohibited scope, incorporating regulations recommendations
- Brian to follow up with Regulation Committee to ensure consolidation of his recommendations in the landlord/tenant arena
- Linda to coordinate with Connie Green and the local community colleges about a subcommittee of the colleges to coordinate on the education waiver's courses for out of state applicants and CLE for renewals
- Linda to work with Kellie to schedule Admissions workgroup breakout meetings
 - September 27
 - October 25
 - November 22