



Social Services Working Group

Tuesday, November 20, 2018

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The UNC School of Government, Room 2401

Meeting Objectives:

- Edit draft report related to regional administration
- Review revisions to recommendations related to inter-county collaboration

Preparation:

- Review draft report for regional administration
- Review final recommendations related to inter-county collaboration

Agenda

10:00 Convene

- Welcome by the Co-Chairs (Sen. Barringer and Rep. Stevens)
- Review and clarify the plan for today's meeting (Henderson/SSWG)
- Adopt/revise minutes from 11/8 meeting (SSWG)

10:15 Regional Administration

- Review draft RA section of the Stage Two report (Wall)
- Small group discussion (SSWG)
 - Does the draft reflect the SSWG's discussion?
 - Key question: "What does the SSWG want the NCGA to know about the potential benefits and challenges related to a mandatory system of regional administration?"
 - What needs to be added or changed?

11:45 Break for Lunch

12:15 Regional Administration

(Henderson/SSWG)

- Report out from small groups
- Large group discussion of revisions

1:30 Break

1:45 Inter-County Collaboration

- Review proposed revisions to draft ICC section of the Stage Two report (Wall)
- Large group discussion
 - Do the revisions reflect the SSWG’s discussion?
 - What needs to be added or changed?

3:45 Closing comments

(Henderson/SSWG)

- The next in-person SSWG meeting will be December 11th
 - Review and revise draft report

4:00 Adjourn

GUIDELINES FOR PRODUCTIVE MEETINGS

The following ground rules were discussed and adopted by the Work Group at its first meeting:

- **Participate fully.** It is acceptable to disagree. Everyone should have the opportunity to state his or her own views, regardless of rank or other differences.
- **Work on the problem.** Put other issues aside, including personalities, offices, or other differences. Show respect for each other.
- **Focus on interests, not positions.** Explain why you favor a particular course of action. Invite questions so you can explain your reasons fully. Balance advocacy and inquiry.
- **Share all relevant information.** Be specific. Agree on what important words mean. Discuss “undiscussable” issues.
- **Stay focused.** Discuss a topic long enough for everybody to be clear about it.
- **Decide how the group will make decisions.** Strive for consensus.

Adapted from *The Skilled Facilitator: Practical Wisdom for Developing Effective Groups* by Roger Schwarz