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Attachments: Readiness Assessment HANDOUT.docx

The EOC met today and adopted the attached document that lists nine characteristics of a readiness assessment for early literacy and language development. I am forwarding this document to the Board of Trustees of the Office of First Steps to get their input. Then, the EOC will amend the characteristics per the input from the Board of Trustees. The EOC will then approve the revisions and forward the information to the State Board by July 1, 2014 to be in compliance with the proviso and to get the procurement process going. Per the First Steps website, the Board of Trustees at First Steps is meeting on June 26; therefore, I've asked that the Board provide comments on the characteristics by June 27.

As you will note in the attached document, the EOC included in the CDEPP evaluation a definition of early literacy and the EOC has been working all year a P-20 initiative on reading. Therefore, we've already had lots of input on this issue.

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns. . . As you can see, the EOC wants this moving forward!

Sincerely,

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