

CPS Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2017

The Transformation Center is exploring Zoom for people to sign in to the meeting from a distance. Zoom allows 2-way visuals as well as screen sharing, and makes it easier for people online or on the phone to indicate they want to speak.

Old Business

The notes from last meeting were sent by email to the Oversight Committee and the Training Team, with edits made based on email input. The revised notes and minutes were approved.

Expanding the Oversight Committee: The Committee discussed the process for getting nominations of interested people. Discussion will continue at the next meeting, with the intent of issuing an invitation for nominations.

Program Update

An evaluation report from the Worcester class provide a summary of responses.

- The summary showed that the experience of community was what most trainees liked (41%) and that most people indicated that the most difficult thing was the format (54%), such as the length of the day or the homework, and many felt overwhelmed (31%) by the amount of information.
- The ratings on the trainers were positive—18 out of 27 strongly agreed and 6/27 agreed that “trainers were able to teach the material in a way that was clear and understandable” (total positive = 24/27 or 89%).
- One person rated “strongly disagree” on the item “class environment felt safe.”
- The ratings on the modules (e.g., useful, not useful, irrelevant) showed a variety of ratings.
 - Most “useful” ratings were for the Code of Ethics (25 rated “very useful”), Environment Matters (24), and Human Experience Language (24).
 - The lowest were for PICBBA (only 11 rated “very useful”), Learning to Learn (optional; 12), and The Shoulders on which We Stand (14).

Exams are being graded now. Results are likely to go out in two weeks from today (12/28).

Applications have been reviewed and 36 people have been accepted to the January 25 class. Some select individuals were offered a five-month pilot internship program with regular class meetings twice/month.

The January class will use a Moodle platform for homework, a back-up of content, quizzes on module content, and anonymous feedback. Other planned changes were described.

Justin also has changed the scoring system. In the past, the homework grades were factored into the final score along with the exam results. The homework assignments will now be emphasized more as an eligibility for the exam, not as part of the final passing score.

The remainder of the meeting summarized and discussed the previous meeting.

NEXT MEETING: January 11, 2018