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Meeting: Evaluation and Research Committee	
Date: November 8, 2019	9:00 AM – 11:30 AM
	Oakland Airport Hilton
Attendees	Attendees: Kimberly Mayer, E. Maxwell Davis, Marissa O’Neil, Kari Beuerman, Mekada Graham, Sara Mullen
Agenda/Topics	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Approval of Meeting Agenda • Approval of Meeting Minutes of 4-23-19 • Updates: Reorganization of CalSWEC Central Evaluation & Research staff • MHA Retrospective study • Title IV-E Retrospective study • Data request re: SERVE prop
Discussion	
	Objective for today: What would we like this committee to accomplish/work on? (any particular projects?)
Major Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of April meeting minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Looking at and revising Committee Charter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Main edits are to statement of purpose for Evaluation & Research Committee. ○ Subcommittee title changed to Evaluation and Research ○ Committee had agreed to meet virtually in between in-person meetings (weren’t able to this summer/fall; will plan for the future). ○ Motion to approve April minutes: Sara Mullen, motion was seconded and approved. • Reorganization of CalSWEC Central Evaluation & Research Staff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Evaluation & research director position will not be filled for the time being. ○ Remaining evaluation & research staff members have been absorbed into program units and are working under the supervision of program directors rather than as part of a separate evaluation & research unit. ○ Changes reflect CalSWEC’s current movement from more focus on research to more focus on evaluation, related to deliverables specific by CDSS and other funders. • Evaluation Project Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Retrospective Survey on MHA Stipend Program:

- Surveyed 2300 participants; 1100 complete surveys.
- Preliminary analyses of first 500 responses presented at SSWR in January 2019.
- White paper based on full analysis to be prepared in early 2020 and presented to Advisory Board.
- Retrospective study on Title IV-E Program
 - Surveyed 5500 individuals – 1700 completed surveys.
 - Currently analyzing – presenting preliminary results at local meetings.
 - Should have summary report ready by end of November 2019.
- SERVE Proposal
 - Ongoing interest in serving Native American communities through the Title IV-E program.
 - Discussed focused on lack of available funding for this project at this time.

Open Discussion:

- Marissa: Concern about opportunities for research that aren't being pursued due to funding/time limitations .
 - a. Could we leverage University partners/grad students to get the work done? (e.g., SERVE)
 - b. Would like to see SERVE proposal and see about Humboldt State's interest in taking it on.
- Sara: How can this committee serve as a space/mechanism for identifying evaluation and research needs and thinking through how to resource these projects?
- Maxwell: Goal has been for this committee to facilitate connections between CalSWEC stakeholders with complementary needs, interests, and expertise in evaluation and research; how can we accomplish this?
- Interested in county retention info – are there any counties with high retention rates? If so, what is contributing?
- Plan to meet in between in-person meetings:
 - a. Advisory Board Zoom meeting scheduled for January.
 - b. Goal is for committee to meet after January meeting, but prior to April in-person meeting.
 - c. Plan to connect via webinar/phone meeting in February
 - d. Committee co-chairs will take responsibility for organizing this and request support from CalSWEC staff as required.

Conclusions

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline