

PEF Labor Management Meeting

**May 9, 2007
One Commerce Plaza, Training Room A
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

Agenda

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The use of Federal Liaison Statewide
Caseload Projections/Status of New Hires
Equalization of caseloads statewide
Promotional Exams
Status of OT Opportunitis in the near future
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Discussion: Updates of pilot project in Boston. How will this affect New York?

Deputy Commissioner Toal stated that SSA has shared limited information regarding the pilot project. It is anticipated that QDD (Quick Determination) will be implemented in New York within a year. It is anticipated that QDD adjudication will be an Analyst 2 assignment. Labor indicated that there is a statewide problem with electronic distribution of mail and incoming faxes. Labor agreed to report instances as they occur. Mr. Romero advised that systems has visited each PC and has compiled a top 20 problem list as presented by users. He suggests that users communicate problem areas to the local ACP coordinators. Mr. Romero indicated that he would make SAC minutes available to Labor.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

The use of Federal Liaison Statewide

Discussion: Role? End Date? Will the program expand so that Analyst can participate at DO?

Deputy Commissioner Toal indicated that the 2 liasons in PC3 are Ms. Philips who is conducting a study of field office training and Mr. Lacey who is the Federal eDib coordinator. Both assignments will be completed at the end of June.

There is no plan to expand the program to include analyst participation at the DO.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Caseload Projections/Status of New Hires

Discussion: Deputy Commissioner Toal indicated that the caseload projection this year is 15,000 CDR's and 145,000 initials with a total of 165,000 total single count.

She indicated that there will be no new hires based on SSA evaluation of NYS production levels. Handouts were distributed indicating that NYS PPE is now lower than NJ . NJ received new hires based on their production figures.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Equalization of caseloads statewide

Discussion: Field office output is evaluated by DDD management every 4-6 months to ensure equitable distribution to PC's. Intake is equalized to analysts statewide. Federal projection is not changing.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Promotional Exams

Discussion: **Plans for the future?**

Gilda Hernandez of BHR indicated that even though the battery has been suspended, it does not affect any current list. Battery test scores at present will not be used for any future list. Existing lists will stand until their expiration date of 2009.

DDD will continue to use existing lists for promotional appointments as needed.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Status of OT Opportunitites in the near future

Discussion: There will be no OT opportunities in the near future.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

VRWS

Discussion: **PEF would like DDD to offer VRWS to employees**

Deputy Commissioner Toal indicated that this topic was presented at the statewide OTDA Labor Management meeting and is pending review at the Department level.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Headsets – Status of obtaining money

Discussion: Deputy Commissioner Toal indicated that this topic was presented at the statewide OTDA Labor Management meeting and is pending review at the Department level. However, she requested that PEF canvass their members to determine the number of DA2's who would be interested in using a wired headset. PEF may survey their members via e-mail. This information is to be submitted to Bob Morris by May 25th.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

OT Waiver for 23 & above

Discussion: **specifically the current status of Grade 23 and above and OT and recall in systems**

Deputy Commissioner indicated that this agenda item has been presented at the Statewide OTDA Labor Management meeting and is pending review at the Departmental level.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Parking at One Commerce Plaza

Discussion: This agenda item has been presented at a Statewide OTDA Labor Management Meeting and is pending review at the Departmental level.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Program Managers participation in labor management meetings

Discussion: Deputy Commissioner Toal indicated that if there is a specific issue that needs to be addressed by a Program Manager, they can be contacted over the speaker phone during the course of the meeting. It is also noted that a processing center issue presented to the Divisional level would have been addressed at the local level and have been unresolved. Accordingly, input by the program manager regarding the issue would have already been reported in the local minutes.

Conclusions:

Action items:

Person responsible:

Deadline:

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