

CDEP MEETING MINUTES

MAY 26, 2005

8:30am – 12: 00pm

District Community Room

MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas Blass

Anthony Celenza

Maureen Cunningham

Jane Ebaugh

Sal Guido

Marvin Kreps

Vincent Nugent

Joseph Phelan

Edward Sullivan

Dean Vallas

Ernie Welch

Katherine Younger

Marla Ulrich

MEMBERS ABSENT

Victor Britton

Nancy Ebel

Linda Krausz

Ed Ostapczuk

Laura Sagan

Pat Sexton

Julie Turpin

Mary Winkler

Student Support Services Vertical Team recommendations were presented to accommodate Isabelle DeFraia's schedule

Overview of agenda by Marvin Kreps

GOALS FOR THE MEETING:

Consideration of the Vertical Team Recommendations and set agendas for '05/'06 Superintendent Conference Days

Gratitude was expressed to all who participated in Vertical Teams. Some 50+ people have served on various committees throughout the year and have produced valuable recommendations that stem from careful analysis of the K-12 program.

Implementation discussions regarding the Vertical Team Recommendations

How to proceed efficiently?

Ernie Welch suggested that the team go through all plans, if there are any problems, table the recommendation.

Any recommendations that are unanimously agreed upon should be accepted.

Joe Phelan agreed that the process should be expedited.

Dean Vallas suggested that practical ideas and philosophical ideas are embedded in the Vertical Team recommendations; as the CDEP Committee considers them; let's attempt to identify the differences so we have a view of what the issues are.

Tony Celenza raised the question regarding the CDEP Committee role in implementing the Vertical Teams recommendations. A general discussion ensued

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES RECOMMENDATIONS

Izzy DeFraia presented these and answered questions

Refer to Vertical Team recommendations to see the list of recommendations.

Tony Celenza questions overall reflection of High School and Middle School needs in these recommendations

Does acceptance preclude other initiatives?

Thanks to Issy for presenting the Students Support Services Vertical Team Recommendations

AIS RECOMMENDATIONS

#2 is too complex in terms of staffing and merits further consideration regarding the allocation of current staff, and how best to add new faculty to support the District students as they strive to meet state standards

Committee proceeded to quickly examine rest of plans; allowing Marvin to proceed with all, and develop implementation plans to be presented to the CDEP Committee and the BOE in draft form.

It became apparent that the recommendations contain clear actionable goals and other matters that will need further study and analysis prior to inclusion in the CDEP

Dr. Sullivan volunteered to participate in examining the Chancellor Master schedule to determine if adequate time is available in the Master schedule to meet the instructional requirements for Science and Social Studies.

THE MENTORING COMMITTEE

Minutes were presented and accepted by the CDEP Team. Marvin will amend the Mentoring Plan to include the Committees recommendations and submit to Joe Phelan and Ernie Welch for their approval.

SUPERINTENDENT CONFERENCE DAYS 2005/2006

Mandated training of RTK/ Blood Borne Pathogens and Sexual Harassment are a priority

Local scoring of SED assessments was discussed.

Of particular importance to the team is the issue of using conference days as time to score and analyze the tests. It was decided that for 2005-2006, the District will not use conference days for scoring. A strategy will be developed in the fall to accommodate the increased testing schedule due to NCLB requirements.

Tony Celenza suggested that the District should not be using conference day for scoring. Instead, have them scored and use conference time to analyze them.

New administration in High School/ Middle School should have time to meet with staff on September 6, 2005 , or on another conference day.

Vinny Nugent suggested that the District consider recruiting retirees to do scoring. Also, suggested that the District plan to have a Vendor Day and invite other Districts to participate. This would allow faculty the opportunity to become familiar with research based best practice materials in all disciplines. Marvin agreed to look into the possibilities.

Discussion of allocation of Superintendent's Conference Days resulted in the following schedule:

SEPTEMBER 6, 2005

Regular opening day schedule with time for faculty to meet and prepare for the first day of school.

OCTOBER 3, 2005

Morning Schedule to include: RTK/Blood Borne pathogens and /Sexual Harassment

Afternoon Schedule to Include: Building Specific Activities

NOVEMBER 1, 2005

CDEP related activities that implement the Vertical Team recommendations

AED Training for interested faculty

Curriculum vendors displaying research based best practice materials

FEBRUARY 17, 2005

Entire day allocated to Student Support Services Vertical Team Recommendations for K-12 Social-Emotional Development Programs