

**Building Level Planning Team
Draft Minutes
September 20, 2007**

Members present: Sloane, Sutherland, Lancto, Gideon, Shibata, Fox, Christie, Mackie, Saxena, Davenport

1. We reviewed updates on the school newspaper, AP course audits and offerings, and the driving program. We will ask PAS if they will make copies of the driving curriculum available to parents.
2. We reviewed the current after school homework program. We will continue to monitor its attendance and effects.
3. We reviewed an assembly request for "The Fault Line." We will attempt to schedule their school performance so they would also be able to provide a concert at night. Should this be feasible, we will investigate providing either pre- or post-concert activities for students at school.
4. We reviewed the results of the electives survey administered last year. The BLPT made a formal recommendation that Psychology, Gourmet Foods, Film Studies, and Sports Medicine be proposed as additions to our program of studies. We will research the possibility of staffing and offering those courses in the 2008-2009 school year.
5. We discussed altering our full year electives to run for semesters. We will review the ramifications of this decision with the guidance department.
6. We reviewed preliminary results of the High School Survey of Student Engagement, in particular the sections dealing with how students spend their time after school. After a first review, we noted that students need support with study skills and independent work, it appears that a number of students do not spend a lot of time on homework, socializing is important to our students. Would it be possible to combine socializing, study groups, and homework assignments? We will continue to review the results of the survey at our next meeting.
7. Would it be feasible to move our meetings to the third Wednesday of the month?