

SIT Meeting  
December 10, 2013

Present: Emily Gill, Teresa Edwards, Katie Caughill, Ben Graham, Rodney Smith, Kim Moffatt, Jean Blackburn, Samantha Sircey, Cyndi Mackiernan, Jeanie Graeme, Natalie Ball, Curtis Cagle, Thomas Williams

1. PBIS report – Ben Graham

PBIS is being adopted in all of Buncombe County Schools. We now have a NBHS committee that is looking at various issues, including attendance data/issues foremost. PBIS at NBHS is promoting responsibility, integrity, determination, and excellence in our schools (PRIDE).

The team is looking at promoting PRIDE through t-shirts and banners advertising successful students around Weaverville to tie this promotion/recognition to our community. There will also be a student survey regarding the idea in HQ.

Suggestion from Ms. Sircey: make the slogan relatable/personal to the students. Also, a marketing student could promote this in the community for a project.

2. Report from departments about student clubs and coaching assignments. Is the information correct? Are all clubs listed? Have some clubs disbanded?  
Results given to Emily Gill to give to Nan Forgie

3. Departments on the cheating issue. Are they seeing more cheating among students? Should we attempt a cheating campaign? Clarify the issue with students?

*History/Ben Graham* - hasn't seen an increase in cheating; does not feel that a change in policy is in order. The department felt that individual departments should have the freedom to make their own regulations regarding the issue. They feel the issue is taken seriously and the problem is dealt with by administration.

*Special Ed and Math/Kim Moffat* - feel the policy is effective. Work on students really understanding what is defined as cheating

*Media Center /Cyndi Mackiernan* - feels that students do not understand what cheating is: example of students plagiarizing a plagiarism paper!!!

*Summary of discussion so far/Emily Gill* – these are all problems: collaboration, misunderstanding of what cheating is, different class setting, technology

*Coach Cagle* – not much cheating in the PE classes...

*CTE/Teresa-* testing has been minimalized in CTE due to the frequency, emphasis on re-teaching/retesting, etc.

*English/Katie Caughill* – do we need to have *departmental* policies on cheating issues

*Fine Arts/Jeannie* – mostly collaborative work in Fine Arts, so it's hard to define

Homework:

Emily: Give results on student clubs to Nan  
Assignments for the midterm report – due Jan 28