

District Planning Team

January 21, 2014
ROOM 113 - HIGH SCHOOL
3:30PM - 4:30PM

Roles:

Leader: John McKenna
Recorder: Karen Burgett
Facilitator: Mary Beth Scullion
Timekeeper: Brad Halgash
Observer: John Tryka
Minutes: Jeanne Kasprowicz

Members: Karen Burgett, Lisa Drmacich, Amy Edgerton, Brad Halgash, Jeanne Kasprowicz, Becky Lindner, John McKenna, James Newton, Danielle Opalinski, Kelly Saletta, Mary Beth Scullion, Ron Sesnie, John Tryka,

Absent/other commitments Jessica Lyons, Diane Misner, Cherie Zdrojewski

Minutes

1. Superintendents Report

- District Goals – Reviewed copy of goals. (Focus on instruction, community relationship, Tona 2020 and budget)
- Budget program – still many unanswered questions – working draft
- Need to get community backing for Tona 2020

2. Instruction Update

- PARCC assessments – working on 4th and 5th grade beginning
- Staff Development calendar being worked on
- Technology – piloting “the tablet” vs “I-pad” in some rooms in 6th grade to compare. Dave Mileham from BOCES is assisting in this.
- CDEP plan going to the board for approval
- Twilight Program @ BOCES – looking at the possibility of this program
- Working on modules in elementary

3. Special Education Update

- Discussed more specifics of Twilight Program – evening program
- Meeting with Riverview and will meet with Mullen regarding Integrated Co-Teaching being

housed at Mullen next year. Students need to be able to move from various levels of special ed. within one building.

- High School CSE meetings almost over. Working on Middle School and Elementary.

4. St. Francis of Assisi closing

- They may be looking at going independent but many unanswered questions
- Try to promote our district so students come into district rather than going elsewhere

5. Roundtable

Mullen

- Character Education “Leader in Me” getting audited by group leaders. May have “Lighthouse” status in May.
- “Shout-Out” program/mailbox
- Student Leadership Team – 12 students working on projects. Also doing wristbands, sell and donate (community service project).
- Teachers had training on iPads through BOCES
- Finishing I-Ready, AIMS Web, etc.
- Lock down drills being looked at and refined
- Mr. Lawson working on making parking lots safe

Fletcher

- Working on ELA/Math Modules. Working through first year, making changes, adapt for next year.
- Data Day is February 4th. Looking at strengths/weaknesses of our data.
- Training with Dave Mileham (Smart board) and Steve Graser Common Core Math training
- Intramurals – going on now
- Band/Chorus concert in December
- Broadcasters Club every morning
- Leadership Day – February 13th
- Literacy Night – sometime in March
- Enrichment – doing a board presentation next week
- Make-A-Wish continues
- Spelling Bee coming up next month
- Service dog presentation to kids
- Talent Show – postponed TBA

Riverview

- Service dog presentation
- Claudia – “Rise and Shine” program
- Service project – made ornaments for nursing home
- Working with Tim Johnson on data

- Assembly for upcoming month - focusing on Leadership
- Data binder – working on collecting data in all categories to put in school-side binder
- “Wall of Compassion” – displays any service programs
- “Parents as Partners” Synergy program

Middle/High School

- School Planning Team meets as a group
- “Staff bonding days” in effect
- Staying with 9 period day – starting to look at schedules for next year
- Progress Reports/Report Cards – piloted typing in comments to add information a teacher wants on Progress Reports. It worked well.
- “Elective Fair” for 8th graders to listen to elective teachers present and there will be an evening one with parents on January 30, 2014.
- “Student Lead” parent-teacher conferences. Hoping this will be a more effective way.
- Open House format for next year – still on table
- Going to discuss Community Service Project