

Site Based Management Team Minutes

Monday, November 10, 2014

Call to Order

Those in attendance: Brittany Stowell, Jill Messer, Vanessa Falbo, Alli Sanderson, Tracy Strickland, Joyce Nash, Angela Duncan, Sam Quinn, Louis Werder, Sherry Edwards, Jackie English, Dr. Jonathan Tyson, May Mulford, Stacey Butera, Lisa Thomas, Steve Kelly, and Carrie Kirkpatrick

Approval of Minutes

CCEP & School Size was voted primarily towards Direction & Priority

Minutes approved

Departmental Updates

- Fine Arts – Theatre Conference – one of the favorite shows there. Band done with marching, art – hospice projects. Play & concert in December – Scrub
- English – ACT practice in October – Bench mark testing – remediation, tutoring, yearbooks are still on sale,
- EC – English 1, 2 math classes, December head count, IEPs by December
- Math – Benchmarks, tutoring
- CTE – Blair – to KY for FFA convention, Blood Drive Thursday for Health Occupations, Benchmarks complete
- SS – Benchmark testing, AP US History to Williamsburg. Pitoniak for a debate at UNCC
- World Languages – Nicholson went to a meeting in October Benchmarks finished. Day of the Dead displays with Level 1, 2 students, tutoring
- ROTC – Drill season wrapping up. Drill practices Tuesday & Thursday. Adding a homework club on those two days. Honors proposal submitted. ASVAB testing today
- Guidance – PLAN results are coming out for sophomores. Discussing another way for seniors to report college acceptances. CFNC free college app week.

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Driver's Education

This topic has been on the chopping block for the last 2 years. Next year will go to \$65. \$300/per student to allow students to take course. That's \$750,000 short in funds for Union County alone. Options for Drivers Ed: Drivers Ed will be offered in all schools. Drivers Ed needs to be at the school level based on Feedback – 30 hours classroom time/6 hours' drive time
High pass rate

Examples of parents seeking alternative classes: After school was not flexible for one parent - - went through a private group for child to take the course. Summer time had to be taken for another because of sports.

A positive about having a class setting: Teachers teach other material that is not in the book.
Concerns if class is offered online: that parents or someone else will take the test for the student.
Piedmont is looking at possibly putting a pilot program together for students here on campus.
An option: to block the program online until after 3:30 to prevent students from working on it during school time with the possibility to take the final test in a classroom. Make it a 6 weeks course. 30 hours required.

Cost to add teachers with the \$750,000 back into the classroom

Attendance

- Worst attendance seen in years
- Teachers are being accountable for students, yet grades are affected by absenteeism
- Chronic absenteeism needs to be addressed county wide
- Consistency needs to be in place
- Hold students accountable
- Lazy, when exam exemptions came into place – BOE makes these rules
- From the state level, they have put it back on the LEA
- 112-14 students last year were affected due to attendance
- Standard six is making teachers accountable for scores.
- Concern where students can catch up in order to move forward. Time in the classroom is spent going back over work for those who are absent in order to move forward.
- If students don't make it to class, students don't want to stay after school to take the quiz/tests either.
- If students sit with a teacher for recovery for an hour vs. hour and a half of just sitting there.
- Students go to a particular teacher and not the teacher that they are assigned to because of absences.
- Recovery is limited to 8 class periods.
- Would exam exemptions be beneficial to get students to stay in school?
- What about rewarding the students who are consistent in attendance? Participation grade?

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BBO Grant Winners

Mrs. Quinn & Hyatt

Quinn – Read 180 books and math books

Hyatt – Kits for Science Olympiad – competition in March

Open Forum

Stowell – Wednesday during homeroom will get their proofs back and club pictures

BETA Club – Proposal – Food Drive next week cans to deliver to homeless shelter

Motion approved

Next Meeting – December 8

Thanksgiving Break – November 26 – 30

Free 4th Block – November 25

Senior Citizens Breakfast – December 9

Adjournment

4:34pm