

Porter Ridge High School

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Site Based Meeting Minutes

August 10, 2010 6:30pm Media Center

- Introduction – Began 6:30 pm
 - Present – Sam Basden, April Dawkins, Sarah Brandenburg, Kelly Crowell, Steve Jackson, Brooke Stegall, Rebecca Manning, Trey Staviski, Susan Forgione, Donna Wilber
 - Absent – Gabriela Grello, Matt Doll, Renea Steeb, Tom Wheeler, and Shannon Dill

- PRHS Student Services
 - Mr. Basden reported that projected enrollment for the upcoming year was 1550, but at this point our actual enrollment is about 1470.
 - Student schedules were mailed out on August 9th.
 - Student drop and add procedures are changing to an online format for this year. A form will be placed on the school homepage allowing students to enter schedule change requests. The form creates a spreadsheet in Google Docs that our counselors can then access and process requests.
 - Also, our guidance department is being restructured. Three guidance counselors will be dividing up the enter student body. A fourth counselor will act as the drop-out prevention counselor and also work at PR Middle School.

- PRHS Instruction
 - Mr. Basden provided an update on staffing providing an overview of staffing changes over the past four years. Currently, the Science, English, Social Studies, World Languages, Fine Arts, and Media Departments have no new staff members. However, Science, English, and Media have lost positions for the upcoming year. The CTE department is down by 3 ½ positions with several transfers coming from other UCPS schools. The PE and EC departments have new members replacing members who left for various reasons. The Math department has a new member but is still down one position.
 - PRHS will be piloting a new program for OCS (EC) students this year through NC Virtual Public School. One of new staff members, Truda Weaver, will be leading this endeavor.
 - Mr. Basden presented a report on the results from our End-of-Course testing. For the first time since PRHS opened, we achieved AYP (17 or 17 goals met). However, despite having increased our scores in all subject areas, we receive no recognition through the NC ABC's program. This is a result of Drop-out rate and the complicated formula used by NCDPI to determine growth. All scores are available for review on the PRHS Faculty and Staff Moodle page.

- Site Base/CLT
 - School Improvement Plan – Mr. Basden and April Dawkins will be meeting to add Correlate input to the new goals and objectives
 - April Dawkins agreed to remain the interim chairperson of the site-based team until January. At that time an election for a new chairperson will need to be held. She also reminded the committee of the new for new parent and student representatives and a replacement for Ms. Meiners from the math department.

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- New Business
 - Steve Jackson made a motion to designate the first two optional workdays of each school year as required for Porter Ridge High School. The motion was seconded by Trey Staviski. The motion passed unanimously.

- Special Programs/Upcoming Events
 - Athletics
 - The fall sports have begun.
 - Fall Sports Parents Night – August 11
 - Fall Sports Extravaganza – August 13
 - Clay shootout – August 14
 - Middle School Jamboree – August 21
 - Band
 - Parents Meeting – August 17 @ 6 pm
 - Showcase – August 17 @ 7 pm
 - Open House for Incoming Students
 - August 23rd from 6 to 8 pm
 - Student council members will be on campus on the 20th & 23rd for tours

- Conclusion
 - Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.
 - Next meeting – September 14, 2010 @ 6:30 pm