

## Professional Development Committee

### Notes 11/17/09

Attending: L. Gorey, Annmarie Uhl, Rosemary Pitruzzella, Mary Sculnick, Eleanor Young, Brian Culot, Juliet Gevargis, Paul Guglielmo, Jeannine Carr, Beth Lipton, Maria Kiely

#### 1. Review of Current Plan

Revised language. The team decided that the PDP goals aligned well with district goals. They noted that some of the language in the goals statements could be incorporated into the goals. This will further enhance alignment. The following volunteers will work in teams on the revision. They will send their revisions to the team members before the next meeting. We will then ask buildings to plug in their specific activities into the rubric. Goals 1 and 2 will be aligned with the 21<sup>st</sup> century and literacy goals. This will be done by: Jeannine and Juliet. Goal 3 will be aligned with the addressing diverse to learners' goals. This will be done by: Beth and Eleanor. Goal 4 will be aligned with the Respect and Responsibility goal. This will be done by Brian and Mary.

\*Lynn will email the document to the volunteers.

#### 2. Professional Development Day

- a. February ½ day: The focus will be building level work related to the various topics that we have begun, in particular: ELA, Math, RTI, Social Studies. The team agreed that some time on that day should be spent on across building work, particularly in the area of ELA – writing outcomes/research outcomes. This would be a great time to have teachers collaborate across buildings. Work will have to be done before this day to coordinate and focus the work.
- b. March Conference Day – It was determined that this day should focus on enhanced utilization of smartboard technology. George Brady will be sending out a survey. We should include question about the project that people would like to work on and we should try to elicit facilitators to work on these projects with teams. There will also need to have some basic training for new users. Teachers, teaching assistants and administrators would be part of this work.

- c. Right to Know/Sexual Harassment – Mary Sculnick will organize Right to Know and Sexual Harassment for clerical, custodial, aides and assistants. This will be done for teachers during a faculty meeting.
  - d. March Conference Day – Mary Sculnick will organize appropriate staff development for aides, clerical and custodians.
3. Superintendent Conference Day – September – Information on a potential keynote speaker was distributed. It was suggested that the district consider hosting the breakfast after the keynote speaker and having the “Jeopardy” game again for Right to Know and Sexual Harassment.
  4. Mary Sculnick reported that she is working on a system within My Learning Plan for teachers to use to keep track of their 175 hours. More information to follow.
  5. Teacher representatives on the committee – Lynn will bring this issue to DLC.

Next meeting date: March 2, 2010 Potential agenda item: Review of revised goals
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