

Minutes IC Meeting March 12, 2020

Meeting attendance: Annette Acevedo, Kyle Bunker, Jen Bury, Jamie Crosen, Jesus Diaz Pena, Carl Draeger, Caitlyn Druger, Melissa El-Helo, Elisabet Garcia, Darlene Guyett, Cynthia Hernandez, Lisa Jackson, Ramiro Juarez, Joyce Juenger, Dawn McCusker, Jen Menke, Jen Misek, Craig Pflueger, Brittany Priest, Kim Rudden, Don Selusnik, Farrah Stephen, Darlynn Terry, Isabel Torres

Absent: Kinasha Brown, Sandra Citron, Donald Donner, Corina Garcia, Martha Renteria, Lori Rosengarten

Guests/Observers:

February Minutes: Motion to approve February minutes. Approved. 18 approve, none opposed, 3 abstained

Action Item:

HS Science Electives - Approved

- Motion to approve HS Science Electives.

Discussion:

- Council is approving Spanish resources and the Science electives resources, frameworks and assessments.
- 20 approved, none opposed, 1 abstained

Secondary Student Wellness - Approved

- Motion to approve.

Discussion:

- None

21 approved, none opposed, none abstained

Initial Presentations

ES Cross Cat Resource Proposal

- Council viewed PowerPoint presentation.

Questions:

- Some resource teachers travel, where will these resources be housed?
 - Each resource teacher will receive the kits.
- Will this be available before school starts?
 - Teachers will receive this on our DCD day, it will not be available for teachers over the summer.
- Can PD be offered over the summer even if we don't have the materials?
 - Many teachers switch positions, it would be difficult to provide PD for that reason. We could provide an overview of what it will look like at toward the end of the school year.

- Will there be training for paraeducators?
 - No. They will not be getting formal training, but teachers can train and model for them.
- If a cross cat teacher is absent, could gen ed teachers get trained, so they can assist as well?
 - These resources are for Special Education only.
- Is this replacing or supplementing Reading mastery?
 - It is not replacing or supplementing. These new resources are addressing reading comprehension.
- How might 1st and 2nd graders be impacted by this new resource, given the reading levels of the texts provided?
 - If a student is closer to a non-reader, they would not be using this resource.
- Are there any materials we are asking teachers to get rid of/pack up in order to move forward with these?
 - No.
- By October 1st how much PD will teachers have been offered and is it mandatory?
 - Teachers will be expected to attend on DCD. August will be a half day and there will be optional PD on PPD.
- Will ELL special education teachers who travel to several buildings also have access to this resource?
 - No. ELL itinerants are not part of the group that will receive this resource.
- What does the research on the resource indicate regarding the frequency of use for it to be effective?
 - A minimum of 2 days a week would be appropriate, if they are not that far behind.
- Are ED classroom excluded?
 - They are included.

Discussion:

- Concern that paraeducators and all the other people involved with the students should be trained, more than having just the teacher train them.

Informational Updates

Outside SEL Curriculum

- Council reviewed outside curriculum.
- Questions will be sent to the provider.

Technology Plan – LMS Update

- Council viewed PowerPoint presentation.

Questions:

- I love that Elementary science has started virtual meetings for PD. I would love for there to be more PD specifically on technology.
 - We are trying to have more of these.
- Will/can we write a class that teach the technology aspects? When a computer doesn't respond to command right away, don't just shut it off. A typing class? Need digital literacy which is different than citizenship?
 - There will be a tech class coming forward regarding technology for MS.
- In the operational plan, is there a mention of mounting projectors in all elementary schools?

- No. They are not mounting them replacing with the large screen formats. They can be mounted or on a stand.

Secondary Update

- Council viewed PowerPoint presentation.

Questions:

- Where does ESL fall within the new admin restructuring?
 - Humanities.
- How many Deans at non-title schools?
 - There are 3 at SEHS, because of the school size.
- What will happen to current divisionals? Will they have to apply for these AP positions?
 - Yes.
- Does this mean that there will be one AP in every school?
 - There will be at least 11 administrators at each site.
- How are ETA members be made aware of who oversees them?
 - During the first week of school.
- Will there be a similar administration structure at the Middle School level?
 - No. Not like this.
- What training and by whom will be provided for the AP's running annual review meetings?
 - Leatrice and her team will provide the training.

Student Wellness Update

- Council viewed PowerPoint presentation.

Questions:

- Can students use their own fitness tracker if they already own one?
 - They have to use ours, because it is linked to polar coach.
- What was the cause of the lower grades?
 - They students didn't do the physical activity.
- Did you survey the students?
 - Yes. We are going to change the rubrics.
- Grade distribution, how did it compare to the traditional PE?
 - It was about the same.
- Is there a plan to educate parents on this?
 - We do not have a parent info session. We do have information that goes out to parents.

Legal Update

- Council received an update on ISBE school codes.

Questions:

- Is there a hard copy of the IL school code?
 - Yes, but it is update daily.
- Who writes statutes?
 - Legislatures, lawmakers a number of people.
- Do we have an assigned person that goes out and lobbies for us?
 - Tony Sanders is our greatest advocate.

Other

Steering Committee Election

- The following members were elected to be members of the IC Steering Committee
 - Elisabet Garcia
 - Darlene Guyett
 - Don Selusnik
 - Cynthia Hernandez
 - Lisa Jackson
 - Isabel Torres
 - Caitlyn Drueger
 - Kyle Bunker

Summary Statements

- The Instructional Council approved proposals for Secondary Science and Secondary Student Wellness
- The Instructional Council heard a proposal for Elementary Cross Categorical Resources
- The Instructional Council reviewed an outside SEL Curriculum and sent feedback and questions to the provider
- The Instructional Council received an update on the District Technology plan including the identified Learning Management System
- The Instructional Council received a Legal Update
- The Instructional Council received an update on Secondary Student Wellness
- The Instructional Council received an update on 60 x 25 and the new administrative structure at High Schools
- The Instructional Council voted on their Steering Committee for the 20-21 school year, the following members were elected: Elisabet Garcia, Darlene Guyett, Don Selusnik, Kyle Bunker, Cynthia Hernandez, Lisa Jackson, Isabel Torres, and Caitlyn Drueger