

CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
March 30, 2015
CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. John Werner, Chairman

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Marcy Morgan
Mr. Michael Zamborik

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ms. Donna Zariczny	Mr. Norbert Kennerknecht	Mr. Paul Leach
Mr. Arthur Stewart	Ms. Amy Stewart	Mr. Matt Jones
Mr. Tom Knapp	Mr. Gary Weber	Ms. Sue Turner
Mr. Paul Mangione	Ms. Ruth Nelson	Ms. Ruth Huck
Ms. Mary Anne Paris	Mr. Brian Collopy	Ms. Melissa McLean
Mr. John Anderson	Mr. Rick Gignac	Mr. Josh Cotton (Times Observer)
Mr. Jim Grosch	Mr. Mike Kiehl	Members of the Public (approx.. 30)

1. Opening Activities

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:42 PM by Mr. John Werner, Chairperson. Mr. Paul Mangione and Mr. Tom Knapp filled in for absent committee members.

1.2 Public Comment
None

2. Old Business - None

3. New Business

3.1 Contract with the Achievement Center for summer usage of YEMS (2015)

Discussion:

The Achievement Center operates a summer therapeutic activities program for students and requires facilities in the Warren County area. The program is similar to what was held last year and the solicitor has reviewed the agreement. The program will run from

June 19, 2015 through August 14, 2015 and will serve students with Attention Deficit Disorder or Autism.

Action: This will be forwarded to the Board for approval at the April Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the contract with the Achievement Center for usage of building space at YEMS for their summer program.

3.2 SWIS Suite Contracts

Discussion:

SWIS system is a web-based information system that we have been using through the IU. The three main elements offered are: a) system for gathering information, b) a web-based computer application for data entry and report generation, and c) a practical process for using information for decision-making. The solicitor has reviewed the contracts.

Action: This will be forwarded to the Board for approval at the April Board meeting.

Motion: That the Board of School Directors approves the contracts with SWIS Suite to manage data collected through our School-Wide Positive Behavior Support frameworks at YEMS and YHS.

4. Informational Items

4.1 Informational Presentations

SWPBIS (School-Wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports)

- YEMS - Mr. Mineweaser and a team of teachers from Youngsville Elementary/Middle School described some of the accomplishments achieved this year with Tier 1 of the process. They developed the motto “SOAR” (Safety, Ownership, and Always Respect). They highlighted some of the positive changes that have occurred, including the dismissal procedure, hallway traffic flow and reduced voice levels. A behavioral matrix has been created with students and staff and they have begun implementing behavior management pyramid and minor behavior infractions form. The process of creating lessons from the matrix and an acknowledgement system are still in development. The plan is to unveil plans for the students at the beginning of 2015-16. Over the next 3-5 years the Tier 1 steps will be revisited and revised as they move forward in implementing Tiers 2 & 3.
- YHS – Mrs. Beers and Mrs. Mead presented information relative to how YHS is focusing on the students and having them buy into the program and framework, looking at implementing a positive climate change. They have started a ticket and reward system, assemblies, and teams of students and teachers are working together to come up with ideas. They presented a video made by students. Focus is on increasing ownership and respect of the building.

MTSS (Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports) Presentation – The support process previously was RtII (Response to Instruction and Intervention). Principals and teachers from all elementary schools presented an update on the status of the program. The goal is to proactively improve student achievement for all learners by conducting program assessments, analyzing student data and developing plans of action addressing curricular, instructional, and student variables. Common theme was that the program is really working and doing a great job, closing the gaps.

5. Other - None

6. Closing Activities

6.1 Next Meeting – Monday, April 27, 2015 at Central Office at 6:00 PM.

6.2 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM.