

Standards Based Reporting Implementation Team Meeting

November 17, 2008

5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Snaedis Valsdottir, Gary Chapin, Dylan Sirois, Don Ferrara, Don Siviski, Michaela Loisel, Sarah McNaughton, John Stivers, Eric Perry, Kendra Guiou, Libby Ladner, Rob Kennedy, Pamela MacDonald, Brittany McNaughton, Pam Longfellow, Betsy Sweet

AGENDA:

1. Interviews with Don and Michaela
2. Report out from DCLT
 - Gradebook to Report Card
 - Training Done
3. Communication Plan
4. Other {including Pamela's grid about work to complete}
5. Create next agenda

Call to order at 5:30p.m.

Gary reviewed SBRIT norms

1. Don Siviski spoke

Thank you for our committees work on policies

Policies posted in many places

Policy and Personnel will make decision about editing policies- beginning in December

Ad Hoc – we are volunteers; be kind to yourself; doing good work

ES has spent 7 years working on their report card- continue to revise

At some point school board would like a status report from committee

Asked us...How is it going? How can he and Michaela help us? Process?

Concerns:

Revising as we go at high school level...stakes are higher

Hire full time resource(s)- many unanswered questions; is anyone looking at research being done?

Schools who were doing this have gone back to more traditional reporting

Interventions for getting students from a 3 to a 4

Communication with parents

How to differentiate within meeting the standard band of 3? “Barely” meeting vs “really” meeting; desire and drive to achieve is being torn out of students; Are higher achievers being pushed to achieve?

This is hard work

Rubrics need to be revised to be sure the work reflects teachers' expectation

Kids need to have same judgments placed upon them – DCLT is working on this

3 to a 4 – DCLT is working on this

Currently feel mission vagueness

Policy changes with us knowing; sent to school board for 1st reading without us knowing

Where are other members of our team? Missing parents, MS students, ES teacher(s); who is responsible for contacting them?

Lack of communication

Valuable discussions which allows us to be closer to answering some questions; can't solve all the problems

Confusion – where are we going?

Improvement of the process- Need leadership component (some one to take blame; some one

who knows process and shares process, someone to answer questions directly, etc.)
Report out from administration, regarding decisions, to our team would be helpful
Do students understand what we are striving for? Applies to parent and teachers as well?

Discussion:

Discussion of opportunities to achieve a 4

Every rubric has a four

Policy appears to have been changed regarding interventions for 2 to a 3 and 3 to a 4

2. Report out from DCLT & workshop

Gary:

Teachers looked at groups of numbers for grade book to report card grades

Teachers liked idea of professional judgment in grade book to report card instead of algorithm/
computer program

PE/Wellness update: Curriculum changed

Don F:

Handed out list of time spent (scheduled training time) for rubrics, etc.

3. Communication Plan

Reviewed Draft Memo created by Pamela, Betsy and Sarah

Include work ethic and behavior rubrics with this information; right now rubric is with
administration where they will make the final decision

What is process for posting policies?

Who sends and when? Clock is ticking...

What is the next step? Don, Steve or Blayne will take this letter to admin team on 11/18 {we
would like to know of changes to letter through email or if letter is not being sent}

Should there be an additional public forum for these policies?

Email to staff regarding policies- Rob Kennedy will do

4. Other

Pamela handed out draft grid

Meeting adjourned 7:10 p.m.

Next Meeting

December 1, 2008

3:30-5:00 p.m.

Room 107 Hall-Dale High School

Ideas for next meeting's agenda

Look at grid draft developed by Pamela, Betsy, Sarah

Revisit work ethic and behavior standard?

Communication plan

Strategy for getting full time person to work on this

Reminder:

Prior to December 10th (next meeting of Policy and Personnel committee)- send comments to
committee on policies to Don Siviski at Superintendent's office