



SCHOOL DISTRICT U-46

INSTRUCTIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 21, 2011

8:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

ESC, ROOM 240

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Attendance

Members: Celia Banks, Barb Bettis, Jan Booth, Susan Collins, Terri DeDecker, Heather Fodor, Kim Hancock, Dan Hoffman, Doug Johnson, Patricia Makishima, Wendy Molof, Sahar Nammari, Lisa Olsem, Lavonne Smiley, Nan Strohmaier, Katie Thomson, Pamela Tonyan, Lisa Whitmer, Renee Zabel
Absent: Lori Brandes, Suzanne Colombe, Maryellyn Friel, Denise Lockwald, Jennifer McDonnell,

Rosa Syphers

Observers:

Guests:

Presenters: Carol DePue, Melanie Meidel

The Instructional Council minutes from March 17, 2011 were reviewed, a correction was made on page three. A motion by Katie Thomson to approve minutes as corrected, Lisa Whitmer seconded, motion to approve carried.

Review Proposed I.C. 2011-2012 Calendar

Lynn Glaser

I. Initial Presentations

- A. Gateway to Technology - Carol DePue, Joe Sieczkowski, Dustin Covarrubias, Melissa Garden, and Stephen Buchs presenting. To meet the need for integrated, rigorous/relevant curriculum aligned to STEM Science, Technology, Engineering, Math standards, a committee of teachers and administrators recommends a proposal to expand Project Lead the Way adoption to Abbott, Eastview, Ellis, Kenyon Woods, Kimball, and Larsen Middle Schools curriculum by implementing **Gateway to Technology**, a 6-unit middle school program, over the next two years. (The GTT Program is currently implemented at Canton and Tefft Middle Schools). All Project Lead the Way teachers are required to successfully complete a 2-week intensive training for each course they teach. The differentiated curriculum enables all students to develop/strengthen science, technology and math skills in preparation for post secondary education.

Two students from Tefft Middle School presented a demonstration of the projects that they have been working on during this rotation.

This proposal will be moved to action at the May 19 meeting.

- B. Business Curriculum Revisions - Carol DePue, Sue Rucks, Lynda Petri, Dave Nickoley, and Barb Thomas presenting. This proposal, part 1 of 2, will provide an update of Business curriculum revisions and request approval to replace current course sequences, titles and descriptions with revised rigorous Business curriculum offerings that prepare all students for post-secondary education and future careers.

Full implementation of the revised curriculum would take place in the 2012-2013 school year. The revised curriculum will be offered at all high schools and would replace the current curriculum in an effort to insure literacy, math and technology skill development for success as a global citizen. The committee will present the revised curriculum and recommended resource adoptions during the 2011-2012 school year.

This proposal will be moved to action at the May 19 meeting.

- C. Family and Consumer Science Curriculum Revisions - Carol DePue, Sue Rucks, Sara Palmer, Julie Innis, Mary Moschini, Meghan Kubek and Ann Hannick presenting. This proposal, part 1 of 2, will provide an update of Family and Consumer Science curriculum revisions and request approval to replace current course sequences, titles and descriptions with revised rigorous FACS curriculum offerings that prepare all students for post-secondary education and future careers.

Full implementation of the revised curriculum would take place in the 2012-2013 school year. The revised curriculum will be offered at all high schools and would replace the current curriculum in an effort to insure literacy, math and technology skill development for success as a global citizen. The committee will present the revised curriculum and recommended resource adoptions during the 2011-2012 school year.

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- D. Honors Based Curriculum for SEHS BEACON Academy - Melanie Meidel, Ben Erickson, Lisa Olsem and student Aida Palma presenting. The South Elgin High School BEACON Academy instructional staff recommends the adoption of this proposal for the Junior and Senior academy course curriculum and the associated course contents to be considered “honors based” credit.

Junior Year: (2 Credit Hours)

SEH001600	BEACON Post Production (Editing Skills)
SEH001700	BEACON Production Engineering (Pre/Post Engineering)

Senior Year: (2 Credit Hours)

SEH002000	BEACON Post Production (Advanced Editing Skills)
SEH002100	BEACON Production Engineering (Advanced Engineering)

The proposed curriculum offers honors level credits within a discovery-engaged student learning course content, aligned closely with that of trade school/ college/university program(s). Students will participate in job shadowing, work on internship/apprenticeship teams, and participate in student organizations to create partnerships within the district community and business sectors. There is an opportunity for industry certification (if students elect to take the third party administered exam) within the proposed curriculum.

This proposal will be moved to action at the May 19 meeting.

II. Action Items

None

III. Information Items

- A. TetraData DASH Update - Laura Hill presenting. A power point demonstration showing the different aspects of our data warehouse “DASH” component. Ms. Hill showed and explained the different types of information available to teachers and correlation to the Destination 2015 goals. Ms. Hill provided information regarding the Phase II training plan at which time on demand training in the use of DASH will be provided to 13 schools during May and early June. Phase III, involving remaining schools, will occur in the fall.

- B. Summer School Update – Dr. Kelvin Lane presenting. Dr. Lane shared that the focus for summer school this year would be PreK – 2. Currently 17 schools are eligible to participate. Sites for summer school will be: Channing, Hillcrest, Lords Park and Oakhill. So far 1,600 students have been identified. Younger students were targeted this year to work on getting them to reading at grade level. The students that were on the waiting list for PreK will be eligible to attend summer school. The program will run four day a week from 8:00 a.m. to noon beginning June 15.

- C. PBIS Update – Laurie Summers, Pam Horn and Tim Cordina presenting. Presenters explained the different tiers of PBIS. They also stressed that PBIS is not a consequence system, it is a behavior program.

- D. Elementary Report Card Update - Lynn Glaser and Mary Wojtczak presenting. Presenters provided the information shared at the CAC meeting on April 14. Next steps will include the development of a 2011-2012 plan for implementation, a survey to collect feedback from teachers and parents after the first grading period, a website for teachers containing grade level content area descriptors and a FAQ page.

IV. Dialogue Topic

V. Other