



Program Evaluation Committee

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Minutes Approved

District Office Board Room

In attendance:

Members: Andi Story, Destiny Sargeant, Ed Flanagan

Staff: Laury Scandling, Linda Frame, Phil Loseby, John Wahl, Tom Milliron, Angie Lunda, Patty Newman, Kelly Harvey, Barb Mecum, Kathy Nielson, Susan Arnold

Public: Margo Waring

Convened by chairwoman Andi Story, 12:01 p.m.

Public Testimony: None

Approval of Agenda: Approved

Approval of Minutes: One change requested in the November 12 minutes. Vote delayed to accommodate arrival of Ed Flanagan and approved at end of meeting.

Literacy Audit Proposal Review

Ms. Scandling briefs the committee on the work of the Literacy Audit Proposal Review Committee. (See attached memo.) She describes that the committee had a consensus both on the points in the memo. The review committee recommends an \$80,000 appropriation to support selection of a contractor. Ms. Story asks a number of questions about the expectations of the contractors and the timing of contractor delivery of the audit. Ms. Scandling shares the criteria used by the committee to evaluate the submissions. The committee agrees to schedule the expenditure as an agenda item at a special board meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2009. She clarifies that if the appropriation is approved, there will be an RFP process triggered because the expenditure will be greater than \$50,000.

Math Data Review

Mr. Loseby provides an overview of mathematics data for cohorts over three years at elementary and middle school grade spans, as well as in school comparisons at the middle school. He discusses the predictive value of students who are not proficient in math at grades four and five, in terms of not passing the math portion of the HSGQE. He addresses data at the "strand" level and reports that there should be a concern about all strands. Mr. Flanagan asks if the grade dip we observe between grades five and six is observed between grades six and seven in districts that have a junior high model. Mr. Loseby references MAP (Measured Academic Progress) as the other key data source, but only an initial administration has occurred and the second administration will not be completed until after the committee's Feb. 11, 2010, meeting.

Feb. 11 Agenda and Work Plan

Ms. Story references the need to look at and revise the curricular review process, as the current planning calendar is out of data and shows that World Language is the next curricular area for review. Ms. Scandling shares that this program review is, de facto, the beginning of an elementary math curriculum review.

Adjourned: 1:05 pm

Next Meeting: January 14, 2010