

Instructional Leadership Council

Meeting Minutes for December 6, 2018

Attendees: Julie Barker, Stacey Beyer, Dwayne Cerbone, Cindy Chambers, Jeff Cimmerer, Heather Clayton, Kelly Coiro, Kathy Curtis, Shari Ebert (sub for K. Curtis), Maribeth Curran, Paul Cypher, Karen Grace, Anna Griebel, Jessie Keating, Matt Kwiatkowski, Marie LoRe, Jennifer Marren, Kate Milne, Amanda Moon, Betsy Parke, Pam Patton, Linda Polvino, Teresa Roets, Tish Romas, Toni Stevens-Oliver, Pat Vaughan-Brogan, Traci Wachter, Joshua Walker, Elizabeth Woods,

Chairperson: Melanie Ward Co-Chairs: Pat Brogan, Julie Barker Note Taker: Laurie Hummel

Meeting minutes approved with change for November 1, 2018

Updates:

New High School Courses; AP Computer Science and (renamed) Intro to Game Development will go to the Board of Education for final approval in January.

Constituency sharing related to ILC/ILT work:

In response to a question asked at JR ILT: ILC is working to update or set new goals. The previous goals around assessments and grading, next generation skills, and communication were looked at in June and the group decided it is time for a reset. Some goals will continue and be reframed. Some goals will inform the next goals in process.

BRMS analyzed data from PCSD Youth Risk Behavior Survey. Digesting some of the issues and determining next steps.

ILC Goal Setting Work: Members continued the work to establish the next phase of goals for ILC.

Any goals established need to be what can be done by ILC as a committee, subcommittee, or groups under ILC's sphere of influence.

The committee has referenced Committee Survey data, ILC charter, and PCSD Vision Statement. The feedback comments from members working in groups was processed by the Co-chairs and put into 5 Categories:

- 1) Next Generation Skills
- 2) Curriculum
- 3) Instruction: Formal and informal learning
- 4) Partnerships: How to build stronger partners
- 5) Systems & Structures: Getting outside of our box, transitional years, support for students

The five categories will reside under one big goal.

ILC worked in small groups to review and process the draft statements created by groups at the last meeting to develop the big goal that will anchor and frame ILC's agendas.

<u>Next Steps:</u> The ASI will consider feedback and work on a "big goals statement" for the committee reaction.

Next Generation Skills Subcommittee update:

<u>Background</u>: ILC created the NGS document a few years ago. Last year, the committee recognized the need to clarify it to be a usable document in teacher's hands. The subcommittee was created to do this work.

The NGS subcommittee presented the updated NGS document to ILC at the June meeting. The changes to the document are based on the feedback. At this stage, we are just looking at establishing clear criteria for each of the five skill areas.

Reactions: Excellent work!

<u>Next Steps:</u> Will work to develop rubrics from the commencement level and down.

Roundtable Sharing: The group shared events that are going on in their buildings for information and celebration.

- Superintendent and Teacher's Union President recently worked with the Retired Teachers Assoc. for student Scholarships. The retired teachers recognized how different education is now.
- Julie Barker shared that Mendon High School teacher Jude Dietz presented interactive writing work done with Kristin O'Dell and Matt Lindstrom to a national Learning Forward conference.
- A video of PR students using STEAM kits was shown to the Board of Education at their PRE building visit.

- Fundations has been added to the Kindergarten instructional program as a consistent resource. As a result, students are doing amazing work with phonics development, reading, and writing.
- MHS VE students had the opportunity to share their work with visitors from Israel. Israeli visitors as well as the MHS Principal and ASI were impressed.
- District PTSA had another successful Barnes & Noble Book Sale with proceeds going to visiting authors and secondary library book purchases.
- TR, MCE, CRMS are all enjoying visits from educators from Modi'in, Israel. They are meeting the students and observing the daily activities at several schools. More teachers are joining the partnership as a result. Middle School students signed a banner to take to Modi'in and Modi'in students will do the same for them. This has been a life changing experience for everyone. See this article on the PCSD website for more information:

- <u>Schools in Pittsford and Israel Partner to Develop</u> Global Citizens.
- JR gathered 3000 nonperishable foods to donate.
- Kindness Rocks at MCE have caught on at CRMS. A concert held at CRMS included music played to an inspiring video of the Kindness Rocks.
- When asked, "What is mindful?" An elementary student answered, "Being curious is mindful. It's so obvious when a teacher is curious about what they teach. It's how I want to be!"

Share with constituent groups:

- Ongoing work on ILC's next big goals.
- Next Generation Skills documents are being updated.
- 2 new High School Course proposals are going to the Board of Education.
- Celebrating the PCSD Teacher Center's 40th Year!