

Instructional Leadership Council

Meeting Minutes for May 6, 2021

Attendees: Julie Barker, Jessica Bonadio, Angela Carpin, Tracy Castleberry, Dwayne Cerbone, Kathy Curtis, Jeff Cimmerer, Heather Clayton, Maribeth Curran, Liesa Erlich, Monica Gebell, Amanda Kirkebye, Matt Kwiatkowski, Terese Manfredi-Hill, ~~Esther Marino~~, Jennifer Marren, Lenore McPherson, Kate Milne, Teresa Roets, Tish Romas, Toni Stevens-Oliver, Patricia Vaughan-Brogan, Joshua Walker, Jing Wang, Melanie Ward, Elizabeth Woods

Chairperson: Melanie Ward

Co-Chair: Julie Barker

Note Taker: Laurie Hummel

This meeting was held in an online format through the Zoom video conferencing App and Microsoft Teams.

Approval of April 8, 2021 minutes: Committee approved.

Sharing from Constituent groups:

BRMS/CRMS: ILT is looking at data from Generation Ready and the School Culture survey to craft goals around equity/cultural proficiency for next school year.

CRMS: Community circles are moving forward with our sister school in Modi'in, Israel. Groups of students coming together to engage in community partnership.

The BRMS Morning Show is reading the book, *Watercress* by Andrea Wang to all students in celebration of Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month. The book is about the struggles of fitting in and understanding the power of our cultural heritage.

PR: is celebrating Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month with classroom activities. In library, 4th and 5th graders are participating in Booktalks and K-3 are studying Asian American and Pacific Island authors.

MHS and SHS are celebrating Asian American culture. Daily announcements daily feature an entrepreneur or someone famous of Asian heritage.

PTSA is hosting an East Asian American Diversity Panel on May 27th via Zoom. Three Pittsford Parents are presenters, sharing their experiences.

Meet the candidate night is May 6th via Zoom. You can find a video of the event on the PTSA website.

PTSA has a [Diversity and Inclusion page](#) on their website. There is a new post every week. The page is rich in information, books, and resources for

cultural learning. This is an ongoing project by the community for the community. Feedback is welcome.

AC did a gallery walk on Superintendent's Conference Day with discussion on anticipating gaps for next school year. Working together in small groups focusing on strong Tier 1 instruction, teaching the essential academics and preparing now rather than react in fall.

MCE did a gallery walk on Superintendent's Conference Day, discussing questions and concerns related to kids coming back to school and the need for services, retaining some of the practices and new learning from this year and the new school population changes with the redistricting. The SEL committee talked about how to integrate culturally responsive teaching.

SHS is working on Social Emotional needs preparing for next year.

SEAC is diving into the data around the increase in special education referrals, looking at overall trends and discussing support at the Tier 1 level.

Elementary Standards Leaders are working on Professional Development offerings for the summer and next year that meet the needs expressed in feedback from previous meetings.

Secondary Standards Leaders are planning curriculum writing and roadmapping work across disciplines. ELA and Science departments have been modernizing offerings.

Graduate Survey Presentation - continued: The committee looked at highlights of 5 years' worth of

historical data related to curriculum and discussed implications for the work done at ILC meetings.

The survey came out of questions about how we know that our program is best meeting the needs of our students. How well are our graduates prepared?

The Graduate Survey is sent to the students three times. As seniors prior to high school graduation (during school), again at 18 months after graduation and a third time five years after graduation.

This discussion continued from the previous meeting to finish looking at the data. We now have 5 years of data from the same cohort of graduates for all three parts of the survey.

Data discussion highlights:

- Important to purposely embed life skills into our program.
- Triangulate data from this survey with other data sources.
- Pull together a sharable summary of the data.
- Start thinking about ILC goals with the data in mind.

Elementary Instructional Committee Communication Guide:

Improving the communications from District committees to buildings was an agenda item initiated by EAC PDTA building representatives and discussed at the March EAC meeting. The [Elementary Instructional Committee Communication Guide](#) was created to clarify the District level committees' responsibilities and representation, as well as, where to go with questions and concerns.

The committee gave positive feedback and a suggestion to list all the elementary standards leaders' names on the guide. The document is on the website and being shared in the elementary buildings.

Round Table:

Varsity Unified Basketball: Students with and without disabilities play together on unified teams that compete with other unified teams across Section V. The diversity enriches the experience in Pittsford. Unified sports is starting practices and games. Find the [schedule](#) on the PCSD website.

CRMS is reading "Dictionary for a Better World: Poems, Quotes, and Anecdotes from A to Z" with themes of diversity and inclusiveness. Cultural Arts is funding the author visit via Zoom this Month.

Art Standards is working on using Cultural Arts funds to refresh murals in the schools and getting input from students and staff. Hoping to connect remote students to the project to increase their sense of belonging.

PDTA is pulling together the retirement and 20-year celebration for 2 years' worth of staff.

ASI: The next and final ILC meeting of the school year is June 3rd. We are coming to the end of an unprecedented year, still standing and supporting each other.

Share with Constituency Groups:

- Elementary Instructional Committee Communication Guidelines document.
- ILC is looking at Graduate Survey data. More information is coming.

Next Meeting: June 3, 2021, 3:30 – 5:00 via Zoom
Some [ILC Membership](#) terms are up for renewal.