



OUR MISSION IS STUDENT SUCCESS...ACADEMIC, ARTISTIC, AND HUMANISTIC

SCHOOL BASED PLANNING TEAM

Present: K. Nicastro, M. Gamzon, L. Kasdin, A. Tirre , S. Rudy, J. Feinberg, E. Wilson, J. Aspenleiter, Ellen Folts, N. Somerszaul-Rivera (parent alternate), Anne Punzi (parent alternate), D. Carter, Martin Presberg, Matan Presberg (student), M. Vazquez-Simmons, D. Parker

Absent: P. Pittinaro, Meghan Koch, M. Fusco, M. Mueller

Guests:

DATE: Nov. 20, 2013

PLACE: Rm. 178

TIME: 4:15

FACILITATOR: Susan Rudy

TIMEKEEPER: J. Aspenleiter

SECRETARY: M. Gamzon

Thank you snacks—Carter/Presberg

Next snacks: K. Nicastro

TOPIC	PERSON	DISCUSSION/ DESIRED OUTCOME	TIME
Approval of agenda and set times	S. Rudy	Motion seconded and approved	4:20-4:22
Saturday Detention	J. Aspenleiter	Mr. Donko-Hanson put in a proposal regarding Saturday detention as an <b>alternative to suspension</b> Steps: Lunch detention, after school detention, then Saturday detention (3 hrs.) 9 am-12 pm Students dropped off or take public transportation Last Saturday—23 students assigned/14 showed Wait 15 minutes for students, take attendance, rules established, go upstairs to classroom and begin work Work is returned to teachers, missing students' work is returned to ISS, phone calls made to home regarding Saturday absence, these absent students given 2 days of ISS Computer access available What prompts Saturday detention? Excessive tardiness, skipping, failure to report to teacher requested detention, other behavior issues and violation of school rules	4:22-4:40

<p>Saturday School</p>	<p>K. Nicastro</p>	<p>No Saturday School, just SAS on Tuesday and Thursday  SAS funded from 3-4 pm for students  Fallsview provides SAT prep 3-5 on Mondays or Wed. for Juniors—starts in January, will go until April  ELA , Math ,for 7 and 8 until exam  Global II  Currently 48 students enrolled in the program  Regents Prep tutoring Dec. 10-Jan. 23  students must register and attendance taken for all SAS programs  If funding is still available, May-June Prep classes could be offered again, possibly AP Prep  Algebra I has most students enrolled  Funding was cut this year, funding depends on free and reduced lunch forms being returned and last year’s attendance  Eligible 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders: anyone not currently involved in a RAMP UP program and who has not met the cut score for the state---  Students in Hillside can also be in this program  Mr. Mergler supervises program</p>	<p>4:40-4:45</p>
<p>Information sharing: Student IEP’s and 504 Plans</p>	<p>K. Nicastro</p>	<p><b>All teachers can access plans through Power School, administrators have access through IEP Direct  Plans sent to teachers and acknowledged by receipt that the plans have been read  Sent from downtown and then sent to school  For 7<sup>th</sup> grade students cum’s are reviewed for information  9<sup>th</sup> grade admissions cum’s are reviewed, too, for information on 504 plans  On Tuesday, the specialist on autism comes to the school and works with strategies and plans, also PDs are offered throughout the year  Case managers for students, usually they have 10 students, Disseminate information</b></p>	<p>4:45-4:55</p>

<p><b>Common Core Standards/English</b></p>	<p>K. Donko-Hanson</p>	<p><b>Attach or add notes from C. Belair into minutes</b></p> <p><b>Information on engageny</b>  <b>PD offered for RAMP UP</b>  <b>PD offered for Module 2</b>  <b>Common Core modules focus on building literacy and fluency, skill development</b>  <b>2005 standards Regents exam will be taken in Jan. 2014</b>  <b>10<sup>th</sup> grade will take the 2005 Regents in June 2014</b>  <b>11<sup>th</sup> grade will take the new Common Core Regents assessment in June 2014</b>  <b>Retests needed if student does not score 80 or higher</b>  <b>Highest score will go on transcript</b>  <b>Rigor is important, materials can be modified as long as standards maintain, can adapt</b>  <b>All the Odell units should be available in January</b>  <b>More discussion regarding Common Core and Odell units at SOTA</b>  <b>When will literature (novels) be introduced into curriculum?</b>  <b>Are the Odell units focusing on skills versus content?</b>  <b>In June, will we see an improvement in how our students do after this first year of Common Core?</b></p>	<p>5:00-5:30</p>
<p><b>Principal's Update</b></p>	<p>K. Nicastro</p>	<p><b>Scheduling timeline received—course request sheets will be added soon</b>  <b>December—counselors will put requests into planning calendar</b>  <b>January—the allotment of courses and sections</b>  <b>Feb.—based on course requests --staff allotment</b>  <b>Mar—schedule will be structured</b>  <b>April—continuation of process, preliminary schedule</b>  <b>May—final schedule based on requests, master schedule built</b>  <b>June—student schedules loaded based on course requests</b>  <b>Counselors meeting tomorrow—is this timeline too early for accurate scheduling</b></p>	<p>5:30—5:46</p>

		<p><b>No Expo for the RCSD in January as a recruitment tool--</b>  <b>A. Tirre expects same numbers for SOTA auditions</b>  <b>District not offering art at grade 7, music at grade 8</b>  <b>4 marking periods—K. Nicastro and A. Tirre provided a different plan</b>  <b>Monday night 11/25 National Honor Induction/Top 25</b>  <b>Testing times will be reduced for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades,</b>  <b>Math test length reduction, ELA times remain the same</b></p>	
<p><b>New Business</b>  <b>Approaches to state report and communication</b></p>	<p>Parents  D. Carter</p>	<p><b>Improving Communications:</b>  <b>Exploring more channels</b>  <b>Paper survey, robo calls, website (update?), SOTA handbook</b>  <b>7<sup>th</sup> grade parents feel “ignored” and need more information</b>  <b>Perhaps more written materials, announcements at performances and sporting events</b>  <b>Email blast? Update email lists</b>  <b>Monthly Newsletter—electronic versus printed? PTA update to parents</b>  <b>ACTION ITEM: Form a committee to look into improving communication approaches and strategies</b></p>	<p>5:46</p>
<p><b>Approval of today’s minutes</b>  <b>Motion to adjourn</b></p>		<p><b>Minutes not approved, will be sent out as unapproved until next meeting.</b>  <b>(Minutes approved on 12/11)</b>    <b>Motion to adjourn seconded and approved</b></p>	<p>6:06</p>

NEXT MEETING: 12/11

FUTURE MEETINGS: 1/15, 2/12, 3/19, 4/9, 5/21, 6/11

Minutes to be emailed to SBPT, SOTA, and posted on sotarochester.org after approval.