



Riverview School District

Education Committee

March 3, 2014

Start 7:03

Attendance

Present:

Dr. McClure, Dr. Loeffler, Mr. Tillman, Ms. Tompa, Mr. Hackworth, Mrs. Ashbaugh, Ms. Vitti (7:10)

Dr. DiNinno, Dr. Coudriet, Ms. Nix, Mr. Shoaf, Mr. Hewitt, Mr. Zolkowski

Not Present:

Mrs. Dolan

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I. Updates-Dr. Coudriet

- Reading Series Selection Committee

Dr. Coudriet shared with the Board that our teachers have attended presentations by representatives from Scholastic, McGraw-Hill, and Harcourt Houghton Mifflin. Materials from each publisher were available for Board review. Dr. Coudriet and Mr. Shoaf shared information from the ELA Symposium they recently attended at AIU3, and indicated that we may consider



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waiting until next year to purchase a reading series, and will instead focus our efforts on professional development to refine pedagogy in elementary English/Language Arts in 2014-2015.

- Strategic Plan

Dr. Coudriet shared that the second Strategic Plan meeting was well attended, as the stakeholder groups worked together again, this time to develop Shared Beliefs for Riverview School District.

- Foreign Language Outreach Program Update

Dr. Coudriet shared a recent press release on the Foreign Language Outreach Program at the Elementary Schools. The elementary classrooms were recently visited by a French-Canadian Foreign Exchange student as part of the outreach program. Elementary students had the opportunity to learn from this native speaking student and ask him questions about his culture and language.

- Tablets in Education Grant Submission



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Dr. Coudriet and Mr. Shoaf worked together to develop a grant submission for a class set of Kindle Fires for our students at Verner Elementary School, to be used as part of the Foreign Language Outreach Program and to enhance our early learning programs.

II. Budget/Staffing- Dr. DiNinno

Dr. DiNinno discussed upcoming retirements and the budgetary implications of these resignations. We will be unlikely to replace these teachers. Mr. Tillman asked if we would be hiring a teacher at this High School to replace Mr. Hewitt. Dr. DiNinno explained that depending on the status of the acting administrators next school year, we may seek a replacement teacher, but would be seeking candidates who are also certified School Psychologists.

III. High School Scheduling Update- Ms. Nix

Ms. Nix gave an update regarding scheduling at the Jr/Sr High School. She shared that we are ahead of schedule, and all students will be scheduling themselves the week of March 10th with support from the Guidance and Technology Departments.



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IV. PSSA Update and Building Level Plans-Ms. Nix, Mr. Zolkowski, Mr. Shoaf

Each Principal shared their specific building level plans for the final weeks before we administer PSSAs. Each Principal shared that they are working with teachers to offer interventions, practice, and test-taking strategies and effort incentives for our students.

-End 8:15 pm