

# Riverview School District Education Committee/Student Life Minutes January 6, 2014

Attendance: D. Tompa, L. Ashbaugh, H. Dolan, M. McClure, L. Vitti, T. Tuccarello, Dr.

DiNinno, J. Shoaf, T. Nix, J. Moser, D. Zolkowski, B. Dunkle, A. Coudriet

Not in attendance: J. Hackworth, D. Kadylak, E. Tillman

### **Education Committee**

I. **Updates-**Dr. Coudriet provided updates on: Strategic Planning, the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Alumni Panel, the proposed 2014-2020 Curriculum Review Cycle and the Professional Development Committee.

The first meeting for Strategic Planning is tentatively scheduled for February 13, 2014. Dr. Coudriet asked that any Board Members interested in serving on the committee send her an email indicating their intent. Dr. Coudriet shared with the Board that the 21st Century Alumni Panel Discussion was a successful, well-intended event that will greatly assist with Strategic Planning. The 2014-2020 Curriculum Review Cycle follows the same format as the Curriculum Review Cycle currently in place. The Professional Development Committee will meet on Wednesday, January 8th, 2014 to plan sessions for the upcoming January 20th In-Service Day.

II. Foreign Language Elementary Outreach -Ms. Poth and Mr. Hedderman

Ms. Poth and Mr. Hedderman (Foreign Language Teachers) shared a detailed presentation on their plan to expand Foreign Language learning opportunities, which will soon be offered for upper elementary school students. They hope to refine their plan for Elementary Outreach and may eventually work with our younger elementary school students.

III. **Personal Finance Course Overview-**Ms. Kvortek

Ms. Kvortek shared data and research, as well as former student testimony, regarding the importance of Personal Finance proficiency for young people; this presentation reinforced the recommendation to include the Personal Finance course as a graduation requirement. This course will feature Excel skills, and can be taken by students during their 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade year.

## IV. **GPA/Class Rank-**Mr. Moser & Ms. Nix

Mr. Moser gave a comprehensive presentation detailing the way that grade point average is currently being calculated, and how this calculation might affect class rank.

# V. **High School Math/English Local Assessment**-Mr. Moser

Mr. Moser presented the High School Math and English Local Assessment. Our current Strategic Plan identifies the 4Sight as the local assessment for students who did not score proficient or advanced on the math and/or English PSSA in 11th grade. The PSSA is no longer required for 11th graders and the 4Sight is aligned to the PSSA. This local assessment was developed for students who are not proficient or advanced on the Keystone Exam in Math and/or English. This assessment will only be administered to students graduating in 2014, 2015 and 2016. Starting in 2017, students are required to pass the Keystone as a graduation requirement. Our local assessment would be administered during the school day after the student has participated in an enrichment opportunity.

#### VI. Planned Courses-Ms. Nix

Ms. Nix reviewed the proposed changes and additions to the 2014-2015 Plan of Studies. Changes included: Rewording of Reading 7 and 8; Changing the title of Early American Pre-AP to Honors Early American, Add AP Statistics; Personal Finance becomes a 1.0 graduation requirement to be taken grades 9-12.

#### **Student Life**

## I. Update on Volleyball

Mr. Moser reported that final candidate has been determined for the Volleyball Head Coach Position. The last step in the Head Football Coach hiring process will be this week. The final three candidates will meet with select member of the Board, as well as with Mr. Moser, Mr. Kariotis, and Dr. DiNinno.

#### II. Procedures and Timeline

Mr. Moser reported that the new procedures and timeline for the musical were presented. A question was raised about the Producer position, which remains unfilled.

## III. Options available to a male who would like to play Volleyball

Mr. Moser discussed the options for this student with regard to playing Volleyball. The student can play for Riverview, back row only, girls team, or Riverview can ask another team to accept him. Riverview does not have a boys Volleyball team. If they accept, Riverview is obligated to pay an amount equal to his percentage in the team.

# IV. Quarterly Athletic and Student Reports

Mr. Moser presented quarterly reports for student activities and athletics. The music trip was discussed; students will leave the afternoon of Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, and will arrive in Chicago at about 11:00 pm. The group will stay overnight Thursday, Friday, and Saturday and will return on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.