

SIAC Meeting Minutes

School Improvement Advisory Committee

September 26, 2013

6:30pm – 8:00pm @ Lincoln Media Center

Agenda

- District good news/highlights (6:30-6:40)
 - 19 administrators, parents, teachers
 - 9 students
- Present PLC and P.D. Building plans (6:40-7:20)
 - Middle School-grade level PLCs meet weekly, content level PLCs during advisory, Block PLC
 - PD – 1:1 Google Chrome study implementation and tech.
 - Lincoln-grade level team meetings morning meetings, 40 minutes per week to work with students to work with students who need additional support
 - Common planning time for content areas 1 time per week
 - P.D. work on standards and competency based
 - Stewart-What do we want all students to learn at each grade, how do we know whether they learn it, what do we do with students after we know if they learn it.
 - High School- Wednesday morning meetings for PLC,
- Introduce disruptive students in the classroom and early dismissal incentive (Keokuk example) (7:00-7:50)
 - Table talk:

Enough staff to cover during PD, volunteers?

Scheduling concerns, maybe make advisory at end of day and students could have released time for incentive

Support for upper level classes from teachers prior to PD beginning

Nice reward for students who do well in school, not used as punishment but as an opportunity (learning opportunity or punishment)

Tardies and absences –student attendance already a problem, they won't want MORE school time.

No discipline problem students
Subs. Not a good idea, because they teach things differently than teachers
Staff with an instructor or older students
Consider transportation to support the program
Would learning opportunity benefit the students if done the same just longer.
Students being involved and leading instruction (paying students or silver chord if strong academically)
Financial concern – funding source?
Incentive to do better in class
Time it takes place would be more convenient than current Wednesday school.

Each group was asked to rate the idea of whether to continue to discuss at future meetings.
1-5 rating 1 no, 5 definitely

Academic reasons
4 5 4 4 4 4 3

Discipline/attendance/tardy reasons
2 2 1 4 1 2.5 1

The committee will discuss this Academically in the future. Discipline will not be discussed in the future.

Questions (7:50-8:00)

Future discussion topics:
Continuation of discussion of use of social media and use of technology and 1:1 update

District Wellness Plan

Legalization of backpacks in the classroom