



Minutes

Student Services Committee October 10, 2018

Administration Center

Mrs. Gracias called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Committee members in attendance included: Melissa Gracias, Denis Ryan, Dr. James Gay, Dr. Kim Dryier, Lisa Shulman, Edgar Palacios, Eric Olsen, Jennifer Tyrrell, Sheli Thoss, Jennifer Karalis, Donald Vacha, Nareman Taha, Robin Murphy, Kevin Purcell, Megan Krueger and Pamela Paris. Also present were Stagg Assistant Principal Abir Othman, and Board members Tony Serratore and Sue Dalton.

Dr. Gay asked for a moment of silence for a Sandburg student that passed away suddenly.

Dr. Gay introduced Ms. Pam Paris, Stagg Community Member.

Review of committee meeting minutes - No comments or corrections were offered.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

Building Improvement Plans- Dr. Dryier shared that Building Administration at the three sites spend time reviewing data and plans to improve performance of all students. Building principals shared specific objectives and data for each of their schools. Dr. Dryier stated that Student Services' focus is on the social emotional aspect of the improvement plans. Principals shared that the S4 Plan as well as District Improvement Plans are the guiding force for Building Plans. Specific building plans include:

AAS

To support students in the learning environment when success is, and is not, being met

- AAS freshmen on track program
- AAS Attendance Intervention
- Connecting through Co-curriculars
- School Safety - Say Something program expansion

CS

To improve school connectedness among and between all school community stakeholders, including staff, students, parents, alumni, and community members

- Increase co-curricular engagement of EL students
- Increase co-curricular engagement if SES students by 10%
- Increase number high-growth, low-income students by 80%
- 50% of low-income, low-growth students on SAT Suite ERW will meet growth expectations

VJA

Build a foundation for college and career ready graduates by increasing the number of students in the Class of 2020 who are able to obtain college readiness benchmarks (CRB)

- Internal professional development - SAT training, poverty training, IEP/504 training
- SAT/Kahn Academy implementation through English, math, social studies, and science
- Targeted programs for borderline students based on ECRA projections with emphasis on low SES and IEP

STUDENT SERVICE

Northern Illinois University - Dr Dryier shared that D230 partnered with NIU to strengthen the Co-teach program with an emphasis on Specially Designed Instruction (SDI), which is the heart of Special Education. She stated that two professors of Special Education will serve as consultants for the volunteer program by providing planned observations, personal and confidential feedback, and personalized professional development implementation. Personal coaching will also be offered.

Little Friends Autism Training - Dr. Dryier shared that D230 has partnered with *Little Friends* to strengthen supports and programs for all students on the Autism Spectrum. Special Education stakeholders and administrators met with a consultant where strengths, weaknesses, gaps and opportunities were identified. She stated that the consultant will develop a professional development plan based on the areas identified.

POLICIES

Dr. Dryier shared policy and administrative procedure updates; in addition, mandated annual review policies were shared for comments or corrections.

Policies

First Reading

- 5:90 Professional Personnel - Abused and Neglected Child Reporting

Second Reading

- 7:50 Students - School Admissions and Transfers

Administrative Procedures and Exhibits

- 5:90 AP Professional Personnel-Abused and Neglected Child Reporting

Annual Policy Review

- 7:170 Students - Vandalism

No comments or corrections were offered.

Other

Student handouts were distributed. Pages 1-28 will be reviewed at the November meeting.

Dr. Gay shared that in our ongoing commitment to building relationships that support students, District 230 will hold its next S4 Summit entitled *Be Empowered: Navigating the Pressures Facing Teens* on November 14 at 7 p.m. at Sandburg High School. The goal is to encourage as many parents, employers, community members, staff and anyone who cares about teens to attend this inspiring and informational event.

Dr. Gay ask the committee to assist planning committee members Brian Klene (CS), Katie Meader (AAS), Mike Murphy (VJA), Carla Erdey (District) in spreading the word about this important event. Please share the District's social media posts ([Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)), talk with adults in the community who you believe would benefit, and who would attend that evening.

Dr. Gay stated that the December meeting will be a Joint Committee meeting held on December 11th in the District office Learning Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Next meeting: *Tentative Joint Committee meeting Tuesday, December 11, 2019*