

Central Nine Career Center Superintendents' Meeting

Executive Director's Conference Room
Monday, November 11, 2013
12:00pm - 1:00pm

Present: Dr. Paul Kaiser, Beech Grove Community School Corporation Superintendent; Dr. Flora Reichenadter, Franklin Township Superintendent; Mrs. Cindy Payton, Business Manager; Dr. Kent DeKoninck, Superintendent, Greenwood Community School Corporation; Dr. Patrick Spray, Clark Pleasant Community School Corporation, Superintendent; Mrs. Nicole Otte, Curriculum Director, Central Nine Career Center; Dr. David Clendening, Franklin Community School Corporation; Dr. Tom Little, MSD Perry Township Superintendent

Absent: Dr. Stephen Hagen, Executive Director Central Nine Career Center; Mr. Rich Arkanoff, Center Grove Community School Corporation Superintendent; Dr. Becky Courtney-Knight, Nineveh Hensley Jackson United School Corporation Interim Superintendent

1 Call Meeting To Order

Nicole Otte & Cindy Payton

Minutes

Mr. Andy Cline attended in place of Dr. Becky Courtney-Knight (Nineveh Hensley Jackson).

Mr. Bill Maschmeyer, Governing Board President, and Dr. David Edds, former Greenwood Superintendent were also in attendance.

Lunch was served by students in Culinary Arts:

- Bibb Lettuce Bowls with Sesame-soy noodles and Grilled Chicken
- Hoisin Steak Wrap with Asian Pickled Slaw

The group asked to give their thanks to the Culinary Arts students and instructor for a delicious meal.

2 Review of Board Agenda & Packet

Nicole Otte & Cindy Payton

2.1 Agenda

Minutes

Nicole reviewed the proposed C9 Calendar for 2014-15, which included a 2 week Fall Break to coincide with more of our Sending Schools calendars. Dr. Kaiser shared what a positive impact the 2 week Fall Break has had including Parent/Teacher Conferences, camps, etc. It was also noted that in some school corporations that Teacher attendance has improved. Nicole added that during the joint Principal/Counselor/Curriculum Director meeting last week that there was a suggestion to offer a recruitment/educational camp here at C9 next year. The idea will be researched.

Nicole shared that the administration and teachers have come to agreement on updates to the Staff Performance Evaluation Program.

Nicole shared the Overnight Robotics Field Trip (Lock Tight Night started at Indian Creek High School). Students arrive at 7:00 pm and receive a challenge to build a robot at 8:00 pm. The students work all night to build the robot, and then start competing at 8:00 am. Engineering teams also compete with and against the students. The event is over by 4:00 pm, and there are accommodations for teachers to rest.

Nicole shared that the Adult Education program was looking to hire staff through Diverse Staffing, and seeking approval for Job Title and Pay Rate changes. Dr. Little asked about the reason for the title changes, and Cindy shared that it was due to the title change in the new state test (formerly GED).

Cindy gave an update on the CERT building, and that we have moved forward with Wilds Restoration for making repairs. There was some reservation from a board member about the substantially lower quote from Wilds Restoration. Therefore, we will present an option to the board of having SME inspect the work while repairs are being made.

Cindy reviewed the Educational Services Center process, as it was pushed back to the November board meeting. Dr. Edds asked about how we used ESC, and Cindy reminded him about how they helped us look at the billing to each of our sending schools. Tim Armstrong started some of the initial work earlier in the year, but our board suggested we postpone the work until Dr. Hagen's return. It was discussed to follow a similar format as had been done in the past, inviting board members, superintendents, and business managers for a future work session with ESC (extended lunch meeting). The group was in agreement that February would be a good time to plan for this.

3 Other Topics

Minutes

Dr. Kaiser added that all beginning Agriculture have been reported to going down to \$250 for CTE funding.

Nicole discussed the DOE Funding and Credits issue with the Superintendents. She shared that in 2009-10, schools started receiving more CTE dollars from the State (DWD) due to the Block schedule where students were given two credits per block for the same course (4 credits per semester). DOE has since started overseeing the reports, and we were contacted that we were reporting too many credits on our students (max 3 credits per semester). We were told by State Director of CTE, Peggy Wild, that we can go ahead and report as planned for this year, but we will need to make changes for next year. Nicole already has plans in the works for coming up with a solution. She plans on meeting with teachers and finding other courses that would fit with our current programs to get students up to the 4 credits for funding.

Dr. Clendening asked if we would be able to get written documentation. Dr. Edds stated that he could follow up with phone calls.

Bill brought the superintendents up to speed on Dr. Hagen's medical leave since July. A couple of times it looked as if he might be cleared to return to work. Dr. Hagen was recently cleared by his doctor, and was scheduled for a Fitness for Duty exam on November 8, as requested by our board (it had been delayed because of the need of Medical Records). The board is concerned with several issues, but we do need to move forward. Cindy and Nicole have been doing a good job handling all of the issues that have arisen, as well as communicating with board members and Superintendents. However, there is a concern, because Cindy has an audit coming up, and Nicole has teacher evaluations, that they will be spread too thin. To assist with the work load, the board will propose at the Thursday board meeting that an Interim Director be hired. There will be a public hearing on the Interim Director Contract. They will publish the contract and addendum with this month's agenda, and meet again later in the month to bring it to a board vote.

4 Next Meeting

Monday, December 9, 2013 at 12:00 p.m.

5 Calendar Items

Thanksgiving Vacation - November 27-29, 2013

Open House - December 5, 2013