Central Nine Career Center
Notes to Governing Board
Superintendents' Advisory meeting
September 6, 2011; 1:15 PM

Dr. Edds, Dr. Little, Dr. Prusiecki, Dr. Bourke, Mr. Arkanoff, Dr. Clendening, Mr. Wagoner and Dr. Hagen were in attendance.

A review of the Board agenda took place.

In other business:

The potential of a balanced calendar continues to be a monthly discussion topic. Perry conducted internal survey with a 68% result in favor. They are conducting 2 community forums this month. Franklin Township plans to follow the same pattern to solicit input. Beech Grove is considering only the balanced calendar option and expects to decide soon. Central Nine plans to discuss this option again in October between teachers and administration. All other school leaders are still open for consideration of options.

Dr. Hagen noted the enrollment information and reminded the group of the Board's goal to maximize capacity by 2012-13. We are currently at 87.6% of capacity for the programs that are being staffed. Along these lines, Dr. Hagen indicated that he is drilling down in the enrollment trends by program, counselor and school as related to the performance indicators that are being evaluated to qualify for funding (State and Federal).

Dr. Hagen mentioned that we are preparing a 20' trailer that will have high tech graphics and contain hands-on equipment that will be an attraction to potential students. The plan is to travel around and promote Central Nine, especially with 8th, 9th, and 10th graders. All superintendents supported this initiative. Dr. Edds recommended including the private schools in order to encourage these families to consider these options as well.

Count day information has been sent to all district data contacts.

Informal discussion occurred about the new State influences around teacher contracts, discussion, evaluation, etc.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 10th at 1:15 PM.

Following the meeting, one superintendent inquired about virtual academic options in order to help curtail any exodus of students to current competitors (virtual, charter, voucher, etc.) especially if C-9 goes to a balanced calendar. Another superintendent inquired about current IDOE stance on the value of CTE. These topics will be included in next month's meeting, if not before.