

## **Curriculum Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes**

**SAC:CCC**

**Date:** 4/29/09

**Members Present:** Becky Brungardt, Terry Phoenix, Ellen Marlin, Gwen Simmons, Tammy Thomas, Connie Myers, Rex Bruce, Risa Leonard Stevens

**Members not attending:** Matt Ziegler, Sally Bruce, Bernie Leverett, Cesar Pena, Andy Short, Mary Meyers, Deanna Myers

The meeting was called to order by Coordinator Risa Leonard Stevens. Risa read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were corrected and approved. Risa will make necessary changes and send to members for final approval.

Mr. Bruce reported that the budget vote was to be today, but he had no final word as of the time of our meeting. He did say that the cuts would be anywhere from \$90,000 to \$150,000. He will keep the staff updated with new information. The school day was accepted by the staff with staff arrival at 7:45 and 3:30 end time. This was approved by the Board of Education as well. Rex complimented the staff on continuing with an upbeat moral in light of new budget constraints. It is his desire that all current positions remain intact for the 2009-2010 school year. He also would like to lead the district in promoting a positive attitude. It is his desire that our staff and students keep the morale up! As we continue our efforts as a successful district, we must forge together with a collective attitude that brings out the best in students, staff and programs.

Connie Myers, Elementary principal updated the CCC on the Kansas State Math and Science Assessment results. She applauded the efforts of all 3-6<sup>th</sup> graders and their teachers. She reported that there would be changes in the daily schedule at the Elementary school for next school year. The "specials" have reviewed their schedule and it is her plan to distribute these changes to the rest of the staff before the end of school. Grand Friend's Day will be celebrated Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. Many activities are scheduled for the final month of school. It will be a busy time. Connie also announced that the

new Music teacher was offered a contract and has accepted. She will be coming for a short visit May 4<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Head will be joining us from North Carolina. She is originally from Maryland.

The Health/ P.E. Sac recommends to the CCC that a more advanced Health curriculum be incorporated into P.E. classes or applied to other content areas where applicable. Mr. Simpson has shared with Risa the materials he is currently implementing in his 7, 8, and 9<sup>th</sup> grade P.E. classes. She will research to see how these materials align to the state standards in Health. Mr. Simpson will begin assessment of students with a post test this spring and in 2009-2010 he will pre and post test students. The CCC reviewed and approved the *Independent and Family Living* outcomes along with the *Consumer and Family Resources* document provided by Mrs. Griffin. The members commended Kit on a job well done professionally.

Risa shared the updated Long Range Plan. The textbook evaluation process broadened to a 7 year cycle. The members would like for the Math Sac to review their textbook condition next year and evaluate whether it needs to be replaced promptly or make a decision to wait. Risa added that each curricular committee had been given the opportunity to review the School Improvement Plan and make suggestions for improvements, additions or deletions. The School Improvement teams from the middle, high and elementary schools will review and make final decisions for the 2009-2010 school year. She also reminded the members that the School Improvement Plan is a "teacher driven" document, developed and implemented by USD 374 educators.

In conclusion, Risa presented the CCC with a tentative calendar of curriculum meetings for next year. The members approved the changes and the new meeting time of 3:45 p.m. In an effort to keep everyone informed, a completed calendar will be sent to all staff before the close of this school year.

Meeting adjourned 4:25 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Risa Leonard Stevens

