

CENTERVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Teacher Quality Committee
November 18, 2015

Minute taker: Haley Bishop

Committee Members present: Roger Raum, Greg Fisher, Bruce Karpen, Terri Schofield, Dianne Fatka, Rhonda Raskie, Mary Ann Sivetts, Julie Caraccio, Jolynn Kruzich, Haley Bishop, Liz Logsdon, Camie Hill.

Absent: Tony Ryan and Laura Conrad.

The meeting was called to order at 4pm by Rhonda Raskie in the absence of Tony Ryan.

Motion to approve the meeting agenda by Julie Caraccio was seconded by Jolynn Kruzich.

Motion to approve the minutes from October 21 meeting made by Liz Logsdon, seconded by Roger Raum.

The first item under old business was reviewing feedback from PLC teams on topic suggestions for the Teacher Quality day scheduled for April 13th. Rhonda distributed a results summary handout showing staff comments and votes for topics. The top overall choices were: motivational speaker, Google, visit other schools, invite businesses, and teacher webpage training. The top choices from elementary teachers were: motivational speaker, webpage training, Google, and science standards. Top choices from secondary teachers were: invite businesses, visit other schools, Google, and Smarter Balance.

A discussion followed about the top choices. Larry from UNI and Aaron Thomas were mentioned on the teacher feedback form as possible motivational speakers. Julie thought that Larry was no longer affiliated with UNI. Thomas has an \$1800 speaking engagement cost, but the district may be able to split this with a neighboring district to save money. It was brought up that maybe a speaker could be saved for a teacher contract day instead of a TQ day. Jolynn mentioned that Tyler Morgan would be willing to facilitate a Google session, but would like for him to have the option of only presenting for one or two sessions, not the entire day. Camie mentioned that Tyler should receive additional compensation for his time to prepare, and suggested project work pay of \$20/hour. Roger brought up the idea to have staff submit a proposal if they want to visit another district. Other items discussed included the availability of the Daily 5 training, Capturing Kids' Hearts, and Drum Café.

It was decided that six topics will be researched to check availability of presenters or materials for sessions. This information will be shared at the next meeting. Rhonda will contact Tod Faris about a possible panel discussion with community business leaders about workforce skills. Jolynn will connect with Tyler Morgan about Google applications. Bruce will contact Emily Felkner about webpage training. Greg will check with Rosemary or Tammy at the AEA for information about science standards. Dianne will ask Jane Trotter about iPad apps/an update from a previous session, and also check for any new research on small group reading. Terri will contact Mike Stiemsma from the AEA about Smarter Balance.

The final item on old business was an update on English Language Module Training from Rhonda. She clarified information that was received at the October 21 meeting. Only teachers that have EL students will need to complete the training, not all staff. Cathy Hudson communicates with those that have a current EL student in class.

No new business was discussed.

Financial update: Balance as of 10/20 is \$60,809.80. The Teacher Quality day will use about half of this money.

The next meeting was set for December 16 at 4pm with Bruce Karpen as the minute taker.

A motion to pay committee members for one hour was made by Greg Fisher and seconded by Dianne Fatka.

Motion to adjourn at 5pm made by Roger Raum, seconded by Camie Hill.