

Teacher Quality Committee
December 16, 2015 @ 4 PM @ Administration Building
Meeting Minutes

The Teacher Quality Committee met on December 16, at 4:00PM in the Administration Building. Present were Haley Bishop, Julie Caraccio, Laura Conrad, Greg Fisher, Camie Hill, Bruce Karpen, Jolynn Kruzich, Liz Logsdon, Rhonda Raskie, Roger Raum, Terri Schofield, and Mary Ann Sivetts. Absent were Dianne Fatka and Tony Ryan.

Raskie called the meeting to order at 4 PM. Under Approve the Agenda, Old Business, Item A; a request was made to add item g. 'Maneuvering the Tier' on a motion by Kruzich, seconded by Caraccio and approved by the committee. On a motion by Carraccio seconded by Kruzich the agenda was approved as amended.

The minutes from November 18, 2015, were presented and approved on a motion by Raum seconded by Caraccio.

Under Old Business was discussed compensation for staff who are presenters for preparation time outside of contracted time with this being on the next TQ agenda for January 20.

Topics discussed under Old Business for the TQ professional development day on April 13:

Google: Kruzich shared that Tyler Morgan would prefer to only do two morning sessions, one beginner and one advanced. Schofield was going to contact Seth Denny at the AEA for possible PM training to staff on Google.

School Website Teacher Pages: Karpen shared that Emily Felkner would do this, just needed some direction on what staff may want to see.

Science Standards: Fisher reported that he had been in contact with Rosemary Peck and Tami Plein, AEA science consultants, about this day and topic but hasn't heard anything back yet.

Smarter Balanced Assessments: Schofield connected with the Iowa DE and a person could host one or two zoom sessions, need questions to get to presenter.

iPad Applications: Fakta had shared information with Raskie that Jane Trotter from the AEA had been contacted and who will participate, just needed some direction and purpose with questions. Wanted to know structure and purpose. A survey was going to go out to PK-6 staff on questions in this area that could be forwarded to Jane Trotter.

Community Business Panel: Raskie shared a summary sheet from a conversation with Tod Faris, Appanoose County Economic Development. Information was also shared about a four day class offered for audit or continued education credit at a separate cost for each. Tod could do ¼ day sessions which is the current design for the day and could specialize the different sessions. Various local businesses were listed that have been or may be interested in being involved with this day. A suggestion was made to review 21st Century Skills from the Iowa Core that might match up with the various manufacturers if involved in presentations.

Maneuvering the TIER: Kruzich discussed this as an added agenda item that Janice Bolger could present as part of the FAST data process.

Fatka and Schofield were asked to survey their staff on interest in the TIER session(s).

Karpen and Raum were asked to survey their staff on possible additional secondary options and topics for the day due to the limited number currently for secondary teachers. Current topics could be shared with additional topics sought for the four session day.

New Business: None

Financial Update: No Update

Next Meeting Date, Time, and Minutes: January 20 @ 4 PM Minutes-Logsdon

Payment of 45 minutes to the teacher committee members was approved on a motion by Schofield seconded by Caraccio.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM on a motion by Schofield and seconded by Fisher and approved.

Minutes submitted by Bruce Karpen