



Curriculum Council Meeting

January 20, 2009

Minutes

Present: Roger Anderson, Shawn Bishop, Mike Dewey, Molly Bruzewski, Deb Dunbar, Terie Elbers, Linda Engelhardt, Brian Johnson, Darren Kroczaleski, Gary Marchel, Dave McCloy, Randy Schantz, Pam Sook, Doug Trombley, Mike Vieau, Lisa Zettle

Absent: Tina Kerr, Michael Knoff, John Mertz, Sandy Miner, Jennifer Parrish, Allen Pauly, Kim Prime

1. **SVSU** – Dave McCloy gave an update from the SVSU Math Science Center. Highlights included the following:
 - a. Science and Mathematics Extravaganza for Kids (SMEK) Day
www.svsu.edu/mathsci-center/
 - b. Super Saturday for Middle School Math and Science Teachers
www.svsu.edu/mathsci-center
 - c. Inquiry in Instruction Workshops (I3 HS MASS III @ SVSU)
www.svsu.edu/mathsci-center
 - d. MSTA Annual Conference
<http://www.msta-mich.org>
 - e. Recent Algebra Legislation and the Fourth Mathematics Credit
 - f. Financial Literacy Course information

2. **Curriculum**
 - a. **BAISD Curriculum Survey** results were reviewed by Molly Bruzewski. 611 responses were received from Bay and Arenac county teachers. Council reviewed each item and also the comment summaries provided at the end. Discussion followed. Data is used in planning professional development and used as a guide in curriculum support.
 - b. **P.E. Curriculum** – Pam Sook will initiate a meeting with P.E. teachers in the region. Names and contact information to be sent to Pam by Council members by February 13. P.E. teachers will work toward the completion of a curriculum framework. Timeline and activities will be shared with Council as the group initiates the work.
 - c. **Science Curriculum** – Council discussed preferences for Science Curriculum timeline, organization, and leadership. External resources will be secured to lead the project. Molly Bruzewski will assist in setting up the process. Most districts ready to begin work now – ideally complete by Fall 2009.

- d. **5 Year Curriculum Review Cycle** – Council began discussion of updating the Curriculum Review Cycle. Draft layout was provided with initial items sketched in. Molly Bruzewski and Deb Dunbar will work to fill in additional years through 2013. Draft will be discussed at the next meeting.
- e. **Social Studies** – January 30 is the scheduled Roll-out for area trainers. In-district follow-up training will be available as scheduled February – May. Contact Molly for more information bruzewskim@baisd.net
- f. **Health** – Pam Sook reviewed the SPLASH project. This is recruitment time for next school year (09-10). She outlined the benefits of participation – including materials, resources and funds. For more information, contact Pam at sookp@baisd.net
- g. **Legislative update – Algebra II** Updated Michigan Merit Curriculum Personal Curriculum Modification Options sheet was provided by Doug Trombley. Legislative analysis sheet was provided for Financial Literacy course.

3. **Personal Curriculum**

- a. Powerpoints from December meetings in Lansing will be emailed to Council members for their use/files.
- b. Brian Johnson, Bay City, provided an update on his meeting with counselors. They continue their work on a checklist to streamline the process. Checklist will be shared.
- c. Wiki resources on Personal Curriculum were shared.
<http://maase.pbwiki.com/MI+Merit+Curriculum,+Grading>
- d. Principals will be invited in to BAISD on February 3 from 12:30 – 3:00 for lunch and updates including a session on Personal Curriculum. Counselors will be invited to this session. Brian Johnson, Deb Dunbar and others will provide the updates.
- e. Randy Schantz reviewed the Bay-Arenac ISD IEP Team Report. Discussion followed regarding standards-based IEPs and changes ahead. Teachers/staff will need professional development/training on the anticipated changes. Diploma/Certificate of Completion paths were discussed.

4. **Professional Development**

- a. BAISD Professional Development Opportunities booklet for Winter/Spring 2009 was shared. Highlights, including the featured national presenters, were discussed.
- b. Michigan Mathematics Program Improvement training was reviewed. Dr. Chuck Allan will conduct the series, which is aimed at improving special education sub group results in upper elementary/middle school. 24 participants may attend. Slots for districts were reviewed. If slots are still available on the Feb 20 registration deadline, Deb will email Council members and open it up.
- c. Do the Math – Math Conference at Kellogg Center
- d. Assessment Seminar – OEAA – Jan 28
- e. Credit Recovery Seminar – Jan 28
- f. MME Prep – Feb 7 – Registrations are coming in.

5. **Data Warehouse**
 - a. Lisa Zettle reviewed recent January training. Group debriefed. Reviewed list of suggested changes/enhancements for future.

6. **Pearson Benchmark**
 - a. Deb Dunbar reported that all districts are participating except one. The order will be placed with Pearson this week. Information coming about training timeline.

7. **School Improvement** – Guided School Improvement Planning flyer was discussed.

8. **Credit Recovery** – Council discussed the idea of pooling Summer 2009 Credit Recovery opportunities into one regional booklet. Deb will work with counselors and HS principals on timeline, template and process.

9. **On the horizon** – After the next Curriculum Council meeting (Feb 17, 11:00 – 12:30), CMT representative, Barb Kostick, will present currently available CIMS applications/student information management.

Power Standards working group will meet today after Curriculum Council to discuss the process for developing regional power standards.

10. **Miscellaneous** – Pinconning opened their new Industrial Arts Building on January 7th & was also featured in “Cool Schools.” Mike Vieau shared that the number of failing Algebra students is down.

NEXT MEETING DATE: February 17, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.

cc: Superintendents