RSU 54/MSAD 54
Educational Policy/Program Committee
Minutes
February 14, 2017
6:00 PM
SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM

<u>Attendance</u>: Karyn Curran – Committee Chair, Amy Rouse – Committee Vice-Chair, Goff French, Brandy Morgan, Dixie Ring, Brent Colbry and Jon Moody

Also Attending: Monique Poulin, David Dorr, Ann Thiboutot, Wendy Ault

1. SCTC MELMAC Presentation

- David Dorr & Wendy Ault

Wendy Ault, Executive Director of the MELMAC Foundation, shared a presentation of the foundation, the SCTC MELMAC Grant, and the good work done by SCTC and SAHS for our students.

2. Graduation Standards

Review of Graduation Standards and proposal for adoption Discussion and second reading/review of the draft MSAD 54 Graduation Standards. The Committee reviewed and asked questions about the standards, including the ways in which the standards would be met by students. The Committee shared a desire that administration and the district PBE Leadership Team take a pragmatic approach to allow the expectations for students gradually increase over time to ensure all students have a legitimate opportunity to be successful. Future work connected to these standards will include: Development of Graduation Requirements, Dual-Transcripts (PBE & Traditional), System to measure, monitor, and report progress towards mastery of the standards.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board approve and adopt the graduation standards as submitted until future work is completed and approved.

3. Policy Work: KBBA, JRA

KBBA: Custodial and Noncustodial Rights and Responsibilities

JRA: Student Educational Records New policy work was postponed.

4. Future Policy Work

- Graduation Requirements The Committee discussed that SAHS currently has a committee working on new graduation requirements. The process will follow a similar approach, with the District Leadership Team reviewing the work and information being disseminated through the High School, Middle School, and Elementary Leadership Teams.
- Health & Wellness Likely will be brought to the Committee in May.

5. <u>PBE</u>

- Staff Communication Memo: Mr. Moody shared the memo sent to staff last week.
- Mr. Moody reviewed the concept of "Dual Grading" and the balanced approach the District is attempting to take with respect to the law. The District will maintain a similar grading structure that we have today at SAHS for courses (which are time-based) which will remain on a 0-100 scale. The District will develop an entirely separate proficiency based scoring model (non-time based), in which standards scores can and should change over time.
- March Workshop The District will hold a PK-12 district workshop on March 13th. There is a PD Planning Committee comprised of teachers from all grade levels assisting in the coordination and planning of this event. The Committee will receive an update at the next meeting.

6. Upcoming/Ongoing EPPC Topics

- PBE updates
- Policy Work
- FY18 Budget

Adjourn

The next meeting is scheduled for March 7^{th} at 6:00 pm in the Superintendent's Conference Room.