

South Lyon High School
SIP Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2010

Present:

Staff Members: R.J. Webber, Mitch Rosekrans, Lisa DelVecchio, Paula Marken
Parents: Debbie Schlang
Students: Andrea Pesch, Rebecca Pavlock, Scott Trumbo, Jaclyn Schlang, Torie Agne, Tara Jackson
Guests: Dr. Pearson

The meeting began at 2:35 p.m.

The minutes from the January 20, 2010 SIP meeting were reviewed, along with the agenda for February 23, 2010.

General Announcements

- Mr. Rosekrans shared with the committee that the display cases at the Board office reflecting the *Good to Great* concept and art work from our students, has been completed.

Old Business

- An update on the crisis team was given by Mr. Webber. A group from Common Ground visited SLHS and has offered to provide services if needed to make SLHS a safe place for our students and staff in the event of a crisis. Mr. Webber reiterated to the committee the importance of making our school safe for everyone and having a fail-safe plan in place.
- The changes to the handbook were passed out and reviewed.
- Ms. DelVecchio passed out and explained the QAR Report Review with the committee. She discussed that not only did the QAR team interview 27 students, 6 parents, and 18 teachers; they also reviewed documents, student performance data, and other artifacts provided by SLHS. She discussed the commendations that the QAR team identified for SLHS:
 - SLHS has a data-driven culture that guides school improvement decisions.
 - There is a strong principal and teacher leadership focused on implementing the school's mission and core values: listen, learn, exert, and respect.
 - Open communication exists between all stakeholders.

In addition to the commendations, Ms. DelVecchio also discussed the required actions for improvement.

- Use Michigan's new state school improvement template to update SLHS's continuous improvement process. (*Required by every school).
- Develop common formative assessments.
- Survey stakeholders to help in goal setting and program evaluations. Mr. Webber suggested that a portion of the survey questions come from the SIP committee.

Mr. Webber commented that he was most proud that our school was represented by a collaborative group of students from all areas of the school. He thanked the committee for their instrumental role in making the QAR visit a success.

- Mr. Webber gave each committee member Jim Collins' book, *Good to Great in the Social Sectors*, at the last meeting and asked for feedback and comments on what they did or did not like about the book. Several SIP members commented on the concept of "Getting the right people on the bus." They felt that we are headed in the right direction and that everyone that wants to be involved is, or have the

opportunity to be involved. Mr. Webber commented that the Hedgehog and “Pushing the Flywheel” concepts go hand-in-hand. We need to decide what we want to work on, have an unwavering focus on what we want to accomplish, and do whatever it takes to accomplish it.

Recent & Upcoming Events

- Mid-Winter break was February 15-19.
- Curriculum Fair February 25.

Student Council Update

- Student Council donated \$1000 to the Bush/Clinton Haiti relief fund.
- Student Council will be meeting to discuss Winterfest and what, if any, changes that need to be made. Mr. Webber suggested that due to the decreasing attendance at Winterfest, Student Council needs to re-visit whether it is beneficial to continue having this event.

School Improvement/NCA

- Ms. DelVecchio directed the committee to the QAR written report on the next steps that need to be taken to guide and strengthen the school’s efforts to improve student performance and school effectiveness.

Review of Emergency Procedures

- A copy of the Fire Emergency Procedures/Discussion of Wellness Policy was distributed and reviewed and open to any comments or questions.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Submitted by,
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