## Superintendent's Parent Liaison Committee (SPLC) Minutes January 9, 2020

## Attendance:

Catherine Baker Jillian Bichsel James Bradley Harkirat Dhingra Leslie DiRenzo Sue Gaertner Sherri Ginsburg Krissy Guttendorf Jennifer Harrison Jacki Herring Jen Husek (Guest) Beverly Kushner Daneen Leya Jamie Lopez Elene Moran Meighan Nalducci Chrissy Packard Cherly Rampton Kelly Ross Robert Scherrer Roger Sechler April Shanahan Brandie Sunday Tiffany Thirkell Susan White

## I. Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Scherrer had all Members introduce themselves as to what buildings they represent, how many students they have in the District, and how many years they have been on SPLC.

II. School Calendar for 2020-2021

Dr. Scherrer shared the draft of the 2020-2021 School Calendar, explaining that this is a draft and is not yet finalized. He explained that the 2020-2021 calendar is an anomaly because of construction. A few questions were asked; however, members were very receptive to the draft.

- III. English Language Arts (ELA) Curriculum Review
  - Dr. Bichsel reviewed the English Language Arts Curriculum Review process and major considerations that transpired from the Review.
  - She explained the changes that the students will be expected to learn to help with study skills. This is a shift in the students' and teachers' learning. Possibly have some parent meetings to help with tools and to help students with this change.
  - Professional Development is being ramped up with staff.
  - Dr. Bichsel reviewed what the seven recommendations and major findings are in the Curriculum Review. Dr. Bichsel highlighted the resources that will be offered Into Reading K-5, StudySync 6-8, and Actively Learn 9-12.
  - Dr. Bichsel also reviewed what work is already in progress for these changes.
  - Dr. Bichsel had samples of new resources, explained some of them, and then members had an opportunity to look at them at the end of the meeting.
- IV. Flexible Instructional Days (FIDS)

Dr. Scherrer explained the process that we are now taking to implement the first FIDs day if needed, as this group was involved in some of the recommendations. He also explained the reason as to why we had to cancel the practice day. This was allowable during the Pilot of FIDs, but the final legislation did not provide for this opportunity. Our first FID will be implemented if/when we use up

all four of our scheduled snow days this year.

V. Ms. Jen Husek, Special Education Networking Group President, invited all SPLC Members to attend their meeting scheduled for Friday, January 10, at the Baierl Center.

Next Meeting - February 20, 2020,, at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Sally Scherling