

School Site  
Council  
Meeting  
Minutes

*Date: November 15, 2016*

*Present: Blaine Torpey, Pam Boyver, Tommy Maloney, Kathy Clarke, Kelly O'Hern, Candice Tigerman, Suresh Bhat, Jean Robertson, Eric Unti, Sara Meawad, Debbie Rose*

Meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

I. **Roll Call**

II. **No Agenda Changes**

III. **Minutes Approved**

IV. **Unfinished Business** - Pam Boyver made a motion and Kelly O'Hern seconded to approve the SPSA plan.

V.

VI. **New Business** -Suresh Bhat gave an overview to the new members of the survey sent out to determine what we would cover moving forward after the approval of the SPSA.

Blaine Torpey passed out reports on A-G data for the past three school years. Jean Robertson asked what RTI looks like here at CVHS. Mr. Torpey went over our plan to continue to train teachers and put a plan in place to include RTI into our daily schedule.

Mr. Unti went over the previous tutorial schedule that we had at CVHS.

Mr. Torpey went over our current tutoring schedule and the challenges and benefits to this program. He then went over the challenges we would need to overcome in order to build it into the school day.

Ms. O'Hern asked if there was a consideration to put advisories in the RTI schedule. Mr. Torpey said that could be a possibility. One of the key elements to making this successful is finding quality activities for the students who aren't in a mandatory tutorial.

Ms. Robertson asked how it would fit in the schedule. Mr. Torpey said that would depend on multiple factors including the results of the graduation requirement task force comes up with.

Ms. Tigerman asked what percentage of students must be present in order for it to count as instructional minutes. Mr. Torpey said it isn't how many attend but that it is offered to all students. Ms. Tigerman asked why we didn't offer a seven period day to all students and Mr. Torpey said it was money for more FTE.

Ms. Bovyer asked what the time frame would be and Mr. Torpey said that we have a large contingency of staff being trained this year and he thinks it would be in the 18-19 school year. One of the issues would be going to a single lunch and we are not currently able to serve enough students during a single lunch.

Mr. Bhat asked what the teachers feel about the program because he feels the teaching staff would need buy in. Mr. Maloney reported that he went to the training and did like the idea. The current program puts students who are already struggling and have been through a whole day they don't really want to be there so the results aren't necessarily positive. He does feel like the entire staff needs to buy in and we need to make sure that all students have something positive and engaging to do. Mr. Maloney feels almost all teachers will need to be trained in order to get the buy in. Ms. Tigerman feels like that may vary by department she feels if a couple teachers in her department felt it was effective she thinks there would be buy in.

Ms. Robertson asked about bringing a part of the training to a staff development or staff meeting.

Ms. Bovyer asked why we need whole staff buy in if this is what is good for the school shouldn't we do it.

Sara Meawad said she thinks it is going to work but it depends on when it is going to be put into the day. She thinks it should be after break and she thinks that students who don't need help might cut and putting it as an option after school might be better. She also thinks we could offer students to be tutors as well.

Ms. Robertson said that it is sometimes hard to have peer tutors work with students; even if they are proficient in the subject they may have trouble teaching.

Ms. Meawad suggested we train peer tutors so that they are more successful in helping their peers.

Ms. O'Hern asked how this would be funded. Mr. Maloney explained how it would work in order to successfully supervise the other students.

Ms. Tigerman asked if it could be done within a period where students could get a pass to go where they need help. Mr. Torpey said there were multiple models and he has worked with math and science to build some of these things in the master schedule.

Mr. Torpey explained how many teachers would be training this year and that we have a good mix of our departments.

Meeting adjourned 5:05