

**Frank Fowler Dow School No. 52**  
**School Based Planning Team Mtg. Minutes 2013-2014**

Date: May 21, 2014

Recorder: Rose Vercolen

**Attendance:**

<u>X</u> Kathy Belluscio	<u>X</u> Michelle Calogero	<u>x</u> Felecia Drysdale
<u>   </u> Chris Fauth	<u>x</u> Al Greco	<u>  x</u> Barb Melder
<u>X</u> Denise Rainey	<u>X</u> Susan Reuter	<u>   </u> Alex Santiago
<u>X</u> Jenna Silpe	<u>X</u> Rose Vercolen	

Item Summary: Committee Reports

- Carol Colombo spoke to us about the Book of the Month for next year. We have already 4 books and will look for 5 more. Anyone with an idea for a book new or old (a book that we used years ago that can be read again by our new students) please bring it to Denise's attention. Susan Reuter can order a copy for Denise to read if you don't happen to have a copy of the book.
  - Mrs. Rainey would like to see 100% participation from all classrooms. Not everyone is displaying their work and it makes it look like we are not participating. Each class is to post one sample of their response activity on the bulletin board in the main hallway, by the 8<sup>th</sup> of the month. The Books of the Month are expensive and a great deal of time is invested by the teachers in this committee. This is one of our long-standing initiatives, and one of the things that consistently draws the attention of visitors. That bulletin board should reflect our collective enthusiasm for each book read.
- Kathie Belluscio spoke about United Way. She said we raised the donations from \$1,600 last year to \$1,900 this year. Thanks to everyone who participated.

Item Summary: Principal's Update

Denise reported on two items for the upcoming 2014-15 school year:

1. ISS Rooms will only be staffed in schools with more than 700 students. Instructional Coaches will only be assigned to schools with more than 600 students. (The District will house a team of Coaches at Hart St., to be dispatched to schools as needed for short-term initiatives. Details pending.)
2. The SOO initiative that we have so diligently worked on in the past has been instrumental in helping us define attainable goals for a "moveable" segment of our student population, and has been a measurable factor in our increased academic standing over the last five years. It has also helped identify guidelines for our volunteer assignments. However, due to the loss of our P.D. Wednesdays, the S.O.O. sessions are poorly attended. Our PENCIL Partner, Joe Klein, personally underwrites the cost of Dr. Perlson's services. We appreciate this support, but Denise is wondering if we are utilizing Dr. P's services to their best advantage. She would like teachers to discuss how the S.O.O. Initiative might be restructured to better meet teachers' needs. Please share your thoughts and suggestions with SBPT teacher reps, so they can share teacher feedback at the June meeting.

Item Summary:

- Two SBPT Teacher Rep. terms are concluding. Teachers who are currently serving are willing to continue, but an election will be held if others are interested. Any teacher interested in serving on School Based should speak to any current Team member.
- Two SBPT Parent Rep. terms are also concluding. Parents who are currently serving are willing to continue, but an election will be held if others are interested. A flyer will go home next week, inviting parents to self-nominate. If you know a parent interested in getting involved, encourage them to complete and return the form.

Item Summary:

- District-Wide Science Fair – Thurs. May 29 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the RMSC. J’Nita Dixon, our Science Liaison, has collected several science projects for display. Please contact J’Nita or Mrs. Rainey if you are willing to represent our school at this event.

Item Summary:

- June 17<sup>th</sup> Field Trip Day. Please see Mrs. Rainey with names of any students who will not be attending their grade level field trip.

Item Summary:

- The writing of the new SCEP plan revision is once more upon us. Mrs. Rainey has asked SBPT members to help out with this task. Anyone interested in wanting to know more about this interesting and compelling project...see Mrs. Rainey.

Date of next meeting: Wed. June 18<sup>th</sup> ~ traditional final-meeting picnic at Mrs. Rainey’s house.

Recorder - Kathie Belluscio ☺

Feel free to submit agenda items to F. Drysdale by Mon. 6/9.