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## SCHOOL BASED PLANNING TEAM Agenda

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

4:15 pm – 5:00 pm

Location: Teams

**Members:** Nija Branca, Marc DellaGloria, Monica Graham, Amy Labrosa, Dr. Emily McCord, Tom Pasqualucci, Talya Sirianni, Elizabeth Soffa, Alan Tirre, Evan Wilson

**Absent:** Heidi Breidenstein, Sharifa Prior

**Guests:** Brad Craddock, Marcy Gamzon, Sherry Vandermallie

**TimeKeeper:** Nija Branca

**Notetaker:** A. Labrosa

**Facilitator:** T. Pasqualucci

**Attachments:** N/A

TIME	TOPIC	PERSON	DISCUSSION/ DESIRED OUTCOME	ACTUAL TIME
4:15-4:20pm	Call Meeting to Order	T. Pasqualucci/All		
4:20-4:25pm	Review and Modify Agenda as needed (Vote: To approve agenda)	T. Pasqualucci/All		
4:25-4:30pm	NEW BUSINESS	All	No new business presented.	
4:30-4:35pm	Vote for Mental Health First Aid Responder program	T.Pasqualucci/ M.Graham	Vote approved to move forward with this program	
4:35-5:45pm	Department Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Creative Writing</li><li>• Health/PE</li></ul>	Department Representatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Creative Writing - Brad Craddock and Marcy Gamzon<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ primarily grades 9-12 to students with creative writing majors</li><li>○ Curriculum is based on college programs in creative writing to prepare students for college programs.</li></ul></li></ul>	

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Information can be found on the Creative Writing website which can be found through the School of the Arts website including contact information for Craddock and Gamzon, news updates, award winners, connection to Alumni, contests, literary magazine, audition information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ concern: the website is kind of buried hard to find</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Students participate in “coffee house” performances and reader’s theater</li> <li>○ Students develop portfolios to showcase their work in each of the classes that they take.</li> <li>○ Collaboration with the dance department/Spanish department to create works together.</li> <li>○ <b>Challenges:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ lack of awareness to creative writing productions/work, students district wide struggle with literacy and are not able to keep up with the workload of being a creative writing major, students who are no longer interested in being a creative writing major can’t change majors and can be disruptive/apathetic, no support for IEP students/ELLs, students who are not creative writing majors can’t take creative writing classes as electives due to scheduling issues, creative writing department needs some more filming materials to make podcasts/videos to use instead of relying on students cell phones.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <a href="#">Health/PE - Sherry Vandermallie</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ryan O’neill, Mark Roselli, Matt Sowers .6, Sherry Vandermallie for PE</li> <li>○ Reconfiguration of PE - 10-12 grade Individual and Lifetime Fitness/ Sports and Fitness. Allowing students to have a choice has helped with student engagement.</li> <li>○ PE invites “guest speakers” including dance teachers, Jack Latorre to teach self defense, Brian Chandler doing weight training</li> <li>○ Hoping to do some community field trips - Roc Ventures, YMCA, Bristol Hiking, etc.</li> <li>○ <b>Challenges:</b> limited space, small weight room, no additional space. Difficult to manage the students that are walking while also having students in the weight room/gym with only one teacher. Non-major dance classes are not offered at the same time as other high school PE classes so the PE classes are very full.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
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5:45-5:55pm	Principal's Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Title I updates</li> <li>● Extended Day</li> <li>● Parent Teacher Conference Sign-ups</li> </ul>	A. Tirre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Title I updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Event in December - 50 families signed up to make Gingerbread houses followed with a production of Scrooge.</li> <li>○ Title I team is planning the next event - survey results show that families want light hearted and fun activities. Next idea is a painting with a twist style night.</li> <li>○ Last event is in the spring - senior celebration to keep students motivated and on track to graduation.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Extended Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Approval of extended day program - 2 week intensive regents review sessions for students who need to take/retake exams in January</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Parent Teacher Conference Sign-ups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Exploring how other districts manage parent teacher conferences.</li> <li>○ Rick Rizzo is going to support us to develop a new format for parents to sign up</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Shout out to Patrick McGrath for stepping up and getting an AED machine during a speech and debate event over the weekend.</li> </ul>	
5:55-6:00pm	<i>Approval of Minutes</i> <b>(Vote: To approve minutes)</b>	T. Pasqualucci	<b>Vote Approved</b>	
6:00-6:05 pm	Set Agenda for Next Meeting	T. Pasqualucci/All		
6:05pm	Adjourn Meeting <b>(Vote: To adjourn meeting)</b>	T. Pasqualucci	<b>Vote Approved</b>	

Snacks Today: BYO

Next Meeting: February 26    Next Snacks: BYOS

Future Meetings: 3/26, 4/23, 5/21, 6/11

Please remember: SBPT meetings are open to the public.

Visitors do not participate in the full team conversations and are invited to sit in a designated area.

Minutes to be posted on sotarochester.org after approval.