# Educational Cabinet Minutes January 11, 2022, 2:30 pm Cafeteria

**Attendees:** Jim Conway, Jeff Crotty, Kellie Dudla, Lisa Fox, Ashley Gershen, Ann Moellman, Ginny Mondschein, Deb Quillinan, Kenneth Schenk, Summer Steves

### Cabinet Membership for 2021-2022:

Jim Conway (Principal), Megan Coker (Innovation/Instructional Tech), Jeff Crotty (5-6), Kellie Dudla (K-2nd), Lisa Fox, Ashley Gershen (3rd-4th), Courtenay Hall (Parent), Ann Moellman (Lighthouse Coordinator), Ginny Mondschein (Curriculum Coordinator), Deb Quillinan (EST), Kenneth Schenk (MCI), Summer Steves (Parent/PTSO Rep)

#### Cabinet Goals for 2021-2022:

- 1. Ensure that all students receive the CASEL approved LIM direct lessons K-6.
- 2. Ensure that the LGES committee structure allows us to move forward with leadership initiatives and standards aligned academic programs.

#### **UPDATES**

## Principals Update

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#### **Happy New Year!**

Thank you for all that happened in the building over the holiday period and for making sure our kids had a good and exciting time while following safety protocols. We had the Winter Concert, Singalong, PTSO Holiday Fair, classroom celebrations, Gingerbread library event & more. A lot happened for our students!

#### **Family Support**

We helped many families over the holiday season. Thanks to all who donated or supported this in any way. As a district we assisted 30 families, and at the elementary school we took care of a total of 26 students and their siblings. Our kids were very well taken care of!

#### **COVID-19 updates**

Continue to be vigilant with safety precautions - hand washing, masks, physical distancing. Remind students regularly of expectations.

As expected after the holidays and with expanded use of tests, we have seen an increase in COVID positive results and it has been a very busy time. While our numbers are manageable, we hope that we will see a decrease in students as we have already with our staff.

Jim thanked everyone for their help and flexibility with the shortage of subs. The sub shortage is statewide. Around the region, many schools continue to struggle to fill positions.

	Superintendent Search update The BOE is listening to feedback from various meetings and appreciating comments from all stakeholders. Dr. Huntley has strong connections in the region and is a great ambassador for our district. By the end of this month you will see increased advertising for the position. 11 of 31 BOCES schools had openings this year for superintendents.  Memory Book - Julia Wolfield & Addison Reinhold Julia & Addison need a group picture of your class. Please forward a picture to either of these girls. They are also looking for pictures from after school clubs and specialists.
PTSO Summer Steves	January Meeting Minutes  Thank you to all who supported our Chipotle fundraiser last night! We raised \$481.16, which will benefit 7th grade and staff appreciation.  The Luxury Box Fundraiser - Saturday, January 22  Register online: theluxurybox.net  Proceeds benefit 4th Grade Buddy Benches,a Jr. SLHT initiative
MCI	Spirit Gear should be available next week. We will send home flyers about purchasing items.
Kenneth Schenk	November/December Minutes
EST Deb Quillinan	December Minutes
K-2 Kellie Dudla	December Minutes
3-4 Ashley Gershen	December Minutes
5-6 Jeff Crotty	December Minutes
Action Team Minutes	Ashley Gershen - Math Night  Jeff Crotty - PARP  Ann Moellman - Leadership Assembly Minutes LGES Classroom Community Leadership Experiences
	Kelly Dudla - Scoreboard  Deb Quillinan - Science Fair



### **Educational Cabinet Shared Decision Making Discussion Items**

### I. Action Team Updates

PARP - Please share your t-shirt sizes.

Scoreboard - Kids are excited as they walk past the boats. During diagnostic weeks the intention is to complete the diagnostic and to do the iReady after the diagnostic is completed.

Math Night - There will be teachers directing people where to go during the night. Possible raffle?? Discussion about prizes took place.

Science Fair - Proposals went out. A  $\frac{1}{2}$  sheet will be shared with more information about the fair.

Flag Day - Will involve many students in leadership roles.

Leadership Assembly - Ann asked if classes could share any community service that students have done in school. Eg. Kelsey Cox is having students write letters to a nursing home.

Jim commented on all of the good progress with the teams.

## II. Shared Feedback from 12/23 Conference Day

This was very different from anything we had done in the past. Dr Huntley was very impressed with the work that has been done on our mission and values and wanted to delve deeper. Jim asked for feedback from all cabinet members.

Jeff Crotty - It was a great and positive day. Conversations took place about changes that need to happen. People were open books and participated.

Ann Moellman - It reminded me of LIM in training and the introspection that took place. It was good to check in with ourselves and where we are in regard to the values and mission of the school.

Deb Quillinan - It was nicely balanced time. It was good to have time to catch up on things. We really valued the time given to us.

Kenneth Schenk - It was nice to see the mission not on a piece of paper, but to really get into it and talk about it.

Kellie Dudla - Appreciated being able to leave as work was completed following the HS presentation.

Ashley Gershen - Dr. Huntley's genuineness was displayed and there was a feeling that he really cares about our school. Having him lead the conversation made a big difference as opposed to reading it on a document.

Jim will share this feedback. He sensed that staff valued the time and conversation. Jim thanked everyone for what was accomplished on that day.

### III. Discussion Regarding the Schedule

Cabinet members began to take a close look at our current master schedule. All members reviewed and noted things that stood out. Large blocks of time, common planning time, daily intervention staggered by grade level, time of day for specials blocks, length of instructional blocks and specials, etc.. We are at the beginning stages of schedule review and will continue the discussion next month. Other school schedules will be shared, however, as discussed all schools are unique. Some schools follow a 5 day schedule, some have students for more time, may or may not have recess at all levels, different lunch times, may not offer the same specials, etc. etc. Next meeting we will review and look at how the schedule might be set up in a manner that maximizes student learning.

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