

CAC CURRICULUM MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING DATE 01/06/2015

ATTENDANCE: Brock Friedman, Melissa Lane, Trisha Shrode – U-46 Liaison, Julie Winterhalder, Seth Rindner

Meeting called to order. Minutes of the 10/21 meeting were approved with the addition of the name Sara Elwood to the attendance list. (Previously listed as unknown.)

Trisha shared information about the current status of Engage NY and parent engagement with the program. A lot of information for future parent awareness is in the planning stages. She will ask that Kevin Wiland attend a future meeting on February 9th to share upcoming ideas.

Ideas that are proposed/being investigated at this time in regards to Engage NY:

- Share at Parent Info nights
- Use the School Improvement Team to assist with this
- All newsletters should be vetted by U-46
- There is a required Professional Development day this school year – ½ of that day will be devoted to math.
- There are 3 Professional Development days for next school year.
- Consistency of approach was mentioned as an important factor by parents.
- Use library and social media to help publicize communication meetings.

Future ideas for committee involvement and desire for knowledge:

- Curriculum Fair for grades 6 – 12 - to share all of the offerings that are available to students in their class selection process.
- Unified Course Selection sheet for HS – available and will be ? enforced
- An internal audit of the Academy programs – they have been tweaked, but not thoroughly looked at since their inception.
- Interest in the CTE (Career and Technical Education) offerings
- Should course offerings be grouped in tracks?
- Attention at the Middle School level to stress the importance of selecting the right courses
- Suggestion to shift the counselors work hours to engage more parents and involve them in the process.
- Upcoming change in summer school to allow not only credit recovery – but credit acceleration! Costs are being adjusted as well.