



EDUCATION/TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

November 4, 2019

8:30 a.m.

Committee Members: Anna Shinn, Chair

Carol Hample, Thomas Wallace (absent), Andrew Saunders

Administrative Staff: Dr. Jonathan Hart, Superintendent of Schools

Jason Bohm, SBA/Board Secretary

Dr. Stacey Brown, Humanities Supervisor

Sarah Pauch, Math, Science, Tech Supervisor

Sherry Krial, PD/Tech Supervisor

Jim Belske, Technology Coordinator

Nicole Maraventano, Literacy Coach (#2)

Jodi Rehrig, Math Coach (#2)

Colleen Ogden, Summer Enrichment Coordinator 2018-19 (#1)

Agenda

1. Summer Enrichment Planning (Colleen Ogden):
 - a. Last year discussed some suggestions for the program from the 3 perspectives (parent, teacher, board/district).
 - b. Parent Perspective: will decide if half or full day program and will pick programs of interest, rather than specific classes (i.e. STEM Camp rather than robotics class)
 - c. Board will decide if the program is half day or full day and will commit to holding the program
 - d. Teachers will commit to all the workshops they are able to teach and the program will be specified closer to the dates
 - e. Some price changes
 - f. Full day and half day is a big change that should benefit more parents and children
 - g. How does this work with rec camp? Follow up to be done with Rec to see if there is some partnering that can be done for before/after care.
 - h. Survey/gather information from parents from last year.

2. Literacy and Math Coach Presentation (Nicole Maraventano and Jodi Rehrig)
 - a. Presented at Staff Meetings to introduce themselves and coaching
 - b. Began in the summer networking, built a website with links to the Coaching Menu (all of the ways teachers can utilize the coaches) Created a Google Form for teachers to request support and the topics they would like support with
 - c. Has been a success
 - d. Has really been on the spot professional development
 - e. Supporting new teachers and building relationships

- f. Demonstrating how to use the data that is offered through our new programs such as iReady and Literably
3. NJSLA Score comparison chart
 - a. DFG (District Factor Group) no longer available but Supervisors did in fact reach out to other districts to try to create a comparison
 - b. Flemington Raritan is an I level which is the same group Readington is.
 - c. Concern about Math scores, the Supervisors are confident that the coaches will help in this area and while urgency is necessary, the focus on accuracy and effectiveness is the primary concern and will foster the growth and improvement
 4. Updates on programs:
 - a. Ready Classroom (Math) Full day training in October, every lesson that is being taught has differential instruction aspects to support all students (this is paper/pencil aspect) There is a complete online component that changes with the interactions with the student
 - b. TC Phonics Grades K-2 (ELA) Teacher's College Program is progressing nicely; students will move on with a mastery of the content instead of exposure to a lot of information. The retention and mastery of skills is the focus of the program.
 - c. VALE Pilot Grade 3-5 (ELA) Another successful program that is a focus on word parts for grades 3-5. We are gathering feedback, as this is a pilot.
 - d. Leadership in Science with RVCC (Science) Created by former Merck employees who now collaborate with RVCC. Readington Middle School was invited to join, so it will be a RVCC as well as visits to the school. First workshop in November.
 5. Tech Updates:
 - a. Pilot of Interactive White Board: RMS testing apps and teachers have completed a number of lessons with students using chromebooks while interacting with the whiteboards.
 - i. Teacher academy in the Spring
 - b. Master computers in classrooms: Alternatives to eliminate Master Computers in the elementary classrooms. These computers are repurposed devices and sometimes slower. Looking into other options.
 - c. Teacher printing: Devices are end of life and looking for new options for next year, possibly centralized printers. HBS piloted is working well.
 6. Agenda items: Standard items such as home instruction, student teacher or observer placements, etc. Approval summer enrichment coordinator in near future
 7. Next Meeting: December 10 at 8:30 am