

School Improvement Team Minutes

Name of School: Remington Traditional School

Date of Meeting: October 21, 2009 – 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. **Facilitator:** Dr. Luna Schwarz

Committee Members Present: Lisa Luna Schwarz, Jackie McDuffie, Leah Schnatmeier, Diane Langston, Jessica Nutt, Eric Johnson, Sandy Maloney, Kim Van Buren, Laura Wick, Tammie Shelton, and Gina Byrd.

Absent Members: Traci Hodges, Karrie Peters, and Kelly Villinger

Purpose of committee:

School Improvement Teams at each school develop, update, monitor and evaluate plans to improve *student achievement, student responsibility and parent involvement* at their individual schools, thereby addressing the district goals related to the same issues. These teams will report on their work to the CSIP Steering Committee.

Items discussed during the meeting;

The district School Improvement Team Handbook was reviewed with key points highlighted. A conversation about the role of SIT members occurred with the focus on climate and parental input.

As a group, the members reviewed Remington's School Improvement Plan and how we will assess all Target Goals. Key points were on Responsible Students; Community Involvement; Student achievement and the need to increase achievement on the Missouri Map assessment in grades 3 and 4. As a part of Target Goal 3, Improving Student Responsibility, Leah shared the ideas middle school students brought to the Renaissance Committee. More info on Renaissance will be included on the Remington Reader. We also as a group came to consensus that we needed to outline the activities and programs that link to our 3 Target Goals for our community. With the hope that communicating the programs and activities will provide the needed communication and the alignment to school and district goals. The committee asked that this could be done on the Remington Reader and possibly the website.

Current Reality: Target Goal 1

2008-2009 MAP Data was shared with the group. RT made Adequate Yearly Progress in all subgroups. We had a discussion about our subgroups and how they represent the whole district. Dr. Luna Schwarz talked about Data Teams and how they were structured. A long conversation occurred as we dialogued about the skills and higher level thinking that is needed on the Missouri MAP assessment.

Target Goal 1~High School Transition

After a meeting with Dr. Luna Schwarz, Dr. Keene and Laura Lancaster, a draft proposal for high school transition was analyzed for SIT feedback. A parent meeting at the High School with Dr. Keene will be open to all 8th grade parents. The meeting will be highly beneficial as Dr. Keene will address registration, core high school classes, college prep and Freshman Orientation. This meeting will occur in January.

Target Goal #3:

Movie Night was discussed; Laura Wick shared her idea during a PTO meeting about PTO selling food items to earn money to support student programs. It was not something PTO wanted to start this year. The School Improvement Team agreed to allow the STUCO students an opportunity to sell items on the movie nights to earn money for school programs and student events that are sponsored through STUCO.

Work/research to complete prior to next meeting (include persons responsible):

1. Create “tips” for 8th grade parents during registration, Diane, Eric, Committee members, Laura Lancaster, previous 8th grade parents. This list will be given to all RT 8th grade parents.
2. Add another parent member to our SIT group.

Time, date and place of next meeting:

The committee will meet again in December. The date to be determined.
Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Recorder of minutes:

Jackie McDuffie