

DSISD School Improvement Team

June 21, 2012

Minutes

In attendance: Andy Claes, Chuck Guay, Darrell Mullins, Trent Bellingar, Tammy Hereau, Lacy Lauzon, Grae Lemire, Laurie Beggs, Sue Argall

New Mission statement "Partners in education making a difference in the lives of all"

Working on the Vision statement --

Beliefs -

- **Positive behavior interactions and supports are integral part of instructional practice**
- **Every child can learn and achieve high standards to support lifelong learning and student growth**
- **Parent and student input are essential to student's learning**
- **Parents are a child's first and most important teacher**
- **Engaging the student's family and the community in the education process enhances learning and academic achievement**
- **Partners to include students, families, educators and communities**
- **Making a difference-----**

Look at these and combine, etc. Want to limit to 3-5 belief statements

Improving communications

- Continue emailing minutes and posting on web page
- Include School Improvement on all staff meetings' agenda
- Share staff meeting minutes with SI group
- Monthly newsletter highlighting staff meetings and activities
- Grae suggested making a DVD about favorite things that happened to/with staff over the summer
- Laurie mentioned having a writing wall and a "suggestion" box for students

Bi-monthly social event

- Each dept would take a month to plan something so everyone can get to know each other and bring DSISD people together
- Suggestions: bocce ball, bowling, bean bag tournament, snowshoe/cross country skiing, kayaking, 4-wheeler ride, ISD after hours, darts

Data for School Improvement

- Reviewed the survey results from staff and parents - perception data
- Suggestion to revise survey questions, agreed to continue with Advanc-Ed and let them revise
- Each superintendent received the "open ended" responses from students, parents, and staff

- Perception data collected once a year from AdvancEd
- Tammy explained: State “priority list” - schools not showing student growth could have potential of school closings. This is why school improvement is so extremely important.
- Other ideas for data for school improvement
 - look at individual department data (CTE)
 - look at systems and process data (special ed) which will determine where staff would provide services and supports
 - Teacher survey “student risks screening scale”
 - MIPhy survey
 - Need a data calendar and testing tools
 - Reminder in Sept and due for October
 - Each dept will gather data and bring to School Improvement team

CTE PLC

Trent talked briefly about where they are in their process

- Broke up into teams
- Working on mission statement and action plan
- Meeting throughout the summer

Web page changes - no update

Items of discussion - The Board has an open invitation to attend any and all School Improvement meetings.

Additional comments:

Next meeting: July 19 at 1:00 at the ISD Boardroom.