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School Accountability Committee

August 17, 2011 2:00pm

2:00 Role call and discussion of June minutes.

Lee, Aryn, Tiffany, Karen, Karla, Ken, Steve, Bob, Travis, Aram

Not in attendance: Jason, Kris

2:10 Presentation of 2011 CSAP data: status and growth

Looked at the 2011 data. While they the charts are unscientific, they provide an initial gimps of how GOAL compared to other AEC's. GOAL must address math and reading in growth. Looking at school view and overlaying the AEC and Online schools, GOAL sits in the middle.

- Perhaps some of the growth issue is a timing issue. Are we enrolling the students into their NN course too late? Too early? in a timely fashion (prior to CSAP?). Discussed example of student taking calculus at the time of CSAP did not do well on Algebra CSAP.
- Should we offer some "CSAP refresher" courses? We need to do a better job of preparing the students. Are there other online students that do such a thing? Check with other schools.

Then there's the testing environment issue. We used gift cards inappropriately, but it was an effective carrot.



How can we get kids into proper classes?

- We can't begin to test students with Scantron until Oct 17, 2011.
- We currently rely on BASI. There are questions about the assessment from both CDE and CSI.
 - Have we trained staff to read the results and accurately place students?
 - Karen will develop a "BASI for Dummies" manual educating staff on how to accurately read data.
 - Should we examine other placement assessments?
 - Reading Plus for Reading
 - Math???? STAR??
 - A:EKS?

2:30 Discussion about Data Diva and Dudes: Committee assisting in the implementation of

2011-12 UIP and the Strategic Improvement Plan.

The initial training was hosted by CDE and was attended by 10 of our GOAL staff with a wide geographic location. Initial data was examined and the team will reconvene on 9/14 to continue development of the UIP.

2:40 Culture of Assessment: has the culture begun to change?

How do we make this a fun atmosphere? Take test anxiety away

Make this time of the year fun and inviting for student

- Insert Scantron results within Progress report and communicate it in a "dashboard" manner.

Can we do raffle without getting in trouble? Law says ok for CSAP but not enrollment.

How about for staff?

- Train them how to read the data.
- Let's continue to work on the DDD and they can spread the "bug"



- Lay out the benefit of the data. Make it a status thing amongst other schools. Emphasize the output not the calculation of the data.
- We are not doing a good job of taking the data and utilizing it... so replacement of the BASI is not the root cause. Now that BASI is down we have the RP assessment as a backup. But we do not have an assessment for math.

3:00 Closure.