

Superintendent's Report
Erie County Technical School
Joint Operating Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 25, 2007

On January 12, 2007 the Erie County Superintendents' Professional Advisory Council met to discuss the following:

Erie County Intermediate Unit: Bill Nichols discussed the requirements for the upcoming dual enrollment grant and the new requirements for the application review process. Increased accountability measures will be required and Bill will schedule a meeting at the IU to explore the new requirements prior to the application deadline.

2007-2008 Applications Review: Dr. Jackson disseminated a handout that outlined specific numbers for returning students, seats available, applications, applications accepted and applications pending for each member school district. Strengths of the process were discussed as well as concerns. The application process will continue to evolve based on feedback from all sectors.

Budget 2007-08 Dr. Jackson reviewed the analysis of district contribution and reported the need to look at the funding formula for an equalization effort among districts. Hopefully, this will avoid balloon- costs from year- to- year for districts.

PSSA Results & Tech Prep Program Planning: PSSA data for districts were discussed which led to dialogue over the need for the technical community college program, transition services for the special education population, and the tech ed focus in core content areas. Dr. Jackson met with Mr. Ed McAtee from the IU to discuss utilizing the IU grant to support a framework within programming at ECTS.

Transition Center: Dr. Jackson provided a handout of alterations/renovations required to accommodate a transition center for special education students at the skill center or ECTS location. Discussion evolved regarding costs, student needs, and the need to consider the Technical Community College aspect in an overall renovation project. An ad hoc committee was formed to study the issue in depth over the course of this school year. The committee is comprised of Dr. Michele Campbell, Dr. Judy Miller, Dr. Dave Smith, and Mrs. Sam Myers.

Technical Community College: Discussion topics as follows:

- January 9, 2007 meeting report (regional CTC directors and superintendents' of record)
- Project Summary Document (a short summary of our proposal)

Calendar: A three-year draft of calendars was presented to the superintendents from the Ad-hoc Calendar Committee. It was suggested to accept the 2007-2008 school calendar as proposed.

Informational Items: Handouts were supplied by Dr. Jackson for:

- December Enrollment Report
- Business Partnership Report
- December Work Experience Report

Future Meetings:

February 2, 2007 – Community College – 9:00 AM

February 9, 2007- Strategic Plan and Transition Center- 9:00 AM