

Superintendent's Report
Erie County Technical School
Joint Operating Committee
Thursday, October 26, 2006

On October 6, 2006, the Erie County Superintendents' Professional Advisory Council met to discuss the following topics:

Informational Items:

- September Enrollment Reports
- September Work Experience Report
- ISO Accreditation
- Pennsylvania Postsecondary Vocational Education Accreditation
- Alternative Professional Assessment
- EITC – Sam Myers made a presentation about volunteering her school as a site for tax filing of the Earned Income Tax Credit reports for persons of low income and asked other schools to consider offering the opportunity in their district.

Erie County Intermediate Unit Discussion: Bill Nichols reported on RCI as follows:

- Enrollment numbers
- Project 720/Dual Enrollment Grant and the meeting scheduled for Oct. 26th at 1:30 for principal and guidance counselors
- Grant reimbursement rates
- Classroom needs
- Professor grading issues

Technical Community College Discussion: Topics as follows:

- Foundation Funding authorized by the JOC
- Project Coordinator – Therese Walters has declined and superintendents were asked for other recommendations
- Resolutions
- Regional Progress Chart
- Regional Assessed Value Chart

Sam Myers suggested that a Task Force committee volunteer to study the issues in further depth regarding a technical community college and asked for a beginning overview of expectations for this college to be developed. Superintendents were in agreement that we should target this study prior to a regional committee. It was felt that some time should be committed by all superintendents to begin this endeavor. Volunteers were sought to form the committee. It is expected that these volunteers will visit other schools and

create a report which will outline the basic components of what we should expect in a technical community college which will best meet the needs of our students.

Strategic Planning: Dr. Jackson updated the superintendents on the company that was awarded the bid contract and the process which will be followed in the upcoming months.

Application, Acceptance, Admittance, & Enrollment Process: Much discussion transpired regarding the process and concerns voiced by some school counselors. The need to service the special education population is a concern which deserves further exploration. An ad hoc committee for transition services for special needs students was formed and will encompass the concerns discussed in the admittance process.

Your Employability Skills Meeting with Principals: The PAC meeting was adjourned and a meeting with district principals was held in the *Eagles Nest* to discuss Phase II of the program for SY 2007-2008 schools.