



# Title I Teacher Meeting

**1:00-3:00 Wednesday, November 19, 2014**

**District Board Room**

**Staff Present:** Audra Allen, Michelle Chase, Lori Clifton, Vince Collyard, Michele Green, Denise Johnson, Patti Lempola, Jason Luksik, Amanda Mix, Sarah Nielsen, Kathy Palm, Darlene Riewer, Heather Sande, Vonnie VanDyke, Pat Welte

## **Meeting Minutes:**

1. We started the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with staff sharing resource ideas that have worked well for them. Following are their ideas:
  - Vince like the Houghton Mifflin Differentiated Math Cards.
  - Audra is having success using Number Worlds math intervention with kindergarteners.
  - Michele also likes the HM Math Cards and using them for team teaching with their being used as stations.
  - Sarah is using Number Worlds with 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students, but it takes time to organize the manipulatives needed for each lesson.
  - Michelle is diagnosing students' reading deficiencies with Quick Phonics Screener (QPS). She is also using Great Leaps.
  - Darlene is also using QPS and teachers are asking her to do it with the second graders.
  - Amanda is designing math lessons based on the standards.
  - Heather is building on what the child knows and individualizing lessons to build self sufficiency.
  - Denise is using the free online program Moby Max for math and reading in preparation for the MCAs. The Informational Text is good, but it does not allow the student to look back at the reading passage like the MCAs.
  - Vonnie uses QPS to pinpoint reading deficiencies.
  - Patti is interested in learning about QPS, so I will ask Kim to meet with her at St. Philip's.
2. We looked at the meeting minutes from September 4 & 30 meetings. These are also posted online under Title and linked to the World's Best Workforce. Last year's meeting minutes are also available there if staff need them.
3. We looked at the Title I staff lists to see if there were errors or omissions. Lori would like a list this of all the Reading Recovery teachers.
4. Kathy discussed the 2014-2015 Title I Application. We do not yet have the final allocation, but we should soon. Then Kathy will finalize the application. She provided preliminary budgets for staff to consider what they want to spend their Title I money on this year. We also would like to add back the staff that were cut last year.



5. We discussed Schoolwide Plans, and Kathy told staff to let her know if they want changes to the plans they turned in last summer and fall. J. W. Smith and Solway have already made changes, and Lincoln is okay with their plan as submitted. Next year MDE will require the Record of Continuous Improvement form instead of the current Schoolwide form. Kathy needs to send that form to Solway.
6. Title I Monitoring – Detailed look at the Compliance Guide (handout)
7. Kathy shared the new Title I books available for Math, Reading, and Science Family Night activities. Vonnie has looked at them and liked some of the ideas. Central will look at them and pass them to the other Title I schools. Staff shared some of the ideas they have used for family nights. Lincoln did a reading event and gave away a free book to each student. J. W. Smith does a reading day and gives students a free book. They do a math night in the spring with math games. Solway has an event coming up that will focus on STEM with the MN Science Museum.
8. Kathy shared information about the 2014-2015 Title I Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meetings. We met at Central October 10, and the parents helped put kindergarten packets together. We met at J. W. Smith November 14 and learned about their Title I program. The PAC will meet at the district office December 12 to hear about the McKinney Vento homeless program with homeless liaison Angie Lauderbaugh. Solway wants us to meet there in May, and Lincoln still needs to decide a date. We also can consider going to St. Philip's again, and Kathy can visit with Carol Rettinger about that. Kathy mentioned that we welcome more parents to join the PAC.
9. We discussed staff training opportunities:
  - a. Viewpoint with Amanda Mix at the next Title I meeting, Wednesday, December 17, at 1:00 in the district board room
  - b. Number Worlds with Karie Hougard: Jan. 15 & 22, Feb. 12
  - c. Guided Reading by level with Kim Kusler: Jan. 8, 27 & 29, Feb. 5, 24 & 26, March 12, 19, 24 & 26

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next meeting is Wednesday, December 17, at 1:00 in the district board room