RSU 54/MSAD 54
Educational Policy/Program Committee
Minutes
October 23, 2018
6:00 PM
SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Amy Rouse – Chair, Maryellen Charles – Vice-Chair, Sarah Bunker, Heidi Chartrand, Jeannie Conley, Derek Ellis, Christy Johnson, Goff French, Peggy Lovejoy and Dixie Ring

OTHERS PRESENT: Tabitha Brewer, Brent Colbry, David Dorr, and Jonathan Moody

1. Update on SCTC Employability Skills Program

 SCTC Director David Dorr provided an overview of a new "Employability Skills" Program (formerly known as Diversified Occupations), that the SCTC Advisory Committee had supported at their meeting of October 9th. Director Dorr explained that the program would come at no additional cost to the district and asked that the committee support the creation of a ¹/₂ time program for the second semester of the 2018-19 school year.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board support the addition of a ¹/₂ time Employability Skills Program at SCTC.

2. Update on MSAD54 Elementary School Report Card

 Mr. Moody provided an overview of the new elementary report card including the information that was provided to staff in early October. Each elementary building has received training on Powerschool to support them with scoring and reporting. Principals have been given additional paid professional development time for staff through a federal grant to provide staff with additional training/support as needed. Trimester one report cards will be distributed to parents at parent-teacher conferences. Each building principal will be mailing letters to parents explaining the new report card and providing them with additional resources (print and digital) in advance of parent-teacher conferences.

3. Policy Review

- The committee reviewed and discussed MSMA policy IMGA, Service Animals in Schools.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board support and adopt revised policy IMGA, Service Animals in Schools, as written.

4. <u>Professional Development Update</u>

- In addition to the elementary support/training provided for scoring and reporting Mr. Moody provided a general update of professional development offerings for staff. Mr. Moody will provide an overview of the upcoming district workshop (November 20th) at the next meeting.

5. <u>Student Attendance - SAMS</u>

- Per State Regulations, the Superintendent reviewed a Truancy case with the Board.

6. Future EPPC Items

- SCTC Gorman Foundation Action Planning
- SAHS Graduation Requirements
- Additional policy review

Next meeting, Tuesday, November 27nd at 6pm.