

## WVSS SBIT Minutes 01-28-08

Members Present: John McNally, Virginia Brown, Anne Collette, Tia Dudda, Ed Haberek, Doug Rea, Leanne Masterjoseph

Members Absent: Matt Peel, Jim Taylor

Visitors: Betty Henry

- I. 4:40 meeting is called to order.
- II. Minutes from November were tabled till February meeting for approval. Minutes were assigned to volunteers: Anne Collette has February and Doug Rea will do March.
- III. Member SBIT report Highlights:
  - DMS : World Language classes being offered after school. Chinese, Spanish and French are being offered to DMS students. Mike KcKee detailed his trip to China with a multimedia presentation. Details were, the advances of China. Also information on the two sister schools Stonington has built partnerships with.
  - WBSS: Healthy Living with Marry Ann Nash on 1/29/08. Focus on living healthy, living longer. Book Chat... March book on Bullying
  - PMS: Meeting set up with focus on “helping with stress” Talk about honor roll being published in newspaper was tabled.
  - MMS: Clubs and after school activities were restructured, Hoping for more participation.

IV. BOE report:  
Of a list of approximately 8 items in new programs, 2 items removed--- to fund sports programs at HS and the Bathroom sanitizer. Some Highlights were: (.6) literature support, (.6) Social worker for Full coverage for WVSS and WBSS. Career Pathways program. (.5) Para support in media center at HS for career planning for students. (Perkins Grant helps for funding). Also World language expansion in Middle Schools starting at 6<sup>th</sup> grade to sample all then pick one at end to start in 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

V. Goals:-SBIT is accessing what could be done to meet our goals this year. Betty Henry suggested us to find ways and look at ways to better meet the needs of our children. She suggested is there anyway to use the Title1 money differently? Leanne will present the Title 1 allocations of this year and see if there could be changes in those allocations.

- **Parent Compact:** We agree we have reviewed the parent compact already.

- **Sense of community:** 3 community nights, Class Sharing and Ed Haberek has invited the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class to the Town Hall in the Spring.

- **Celebrating Children:** Class Sharing, bimonthly meetings

-**Budget:** We all agree we are continuing the process

-**Next step for goals:** Tia Suggested Book Talks. SBIT will suggest books at next meeting and discuss dates

VI. Old Business: BOE will adopt Budget at February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

VII. New Business:

-Looking into moving forward with our own 3 language cultural Experience as an after school enrichment program. Looking for cost/student and ways to pay.

-Survey to reach out to parents to see which enrichment programs they would like to see.

Meeting adorned 6:02pm