

WBSS SBIT Minutes
October 28, 2009

Call to Order - 6:05 p.m.

Members in attendance: Terry Jordan, Kelli Hebert, John McNally

Topics for Discussion

- Goal-setting
 - Developing opportunities for parents to participate/develop a better understanding of their children's academic/social/emotional lives at WBSS (based on results from surveys conducted by *Good Teaching Task Force* and WBSS SBIT).
 - Author visit and/or evening Book Chat Series – Exploring the concept of an “Empathy Series.”
 - Some possibilities for books: *Through Sophie's Eyes*, *Rules*, *Granny Torelli Makes Soup*, *Mr. Peabody's Apples*, *Have You Filled a Bucket Today?*
 - Dr. Liguori could possibly provide an opportunity for parents/students to learn more about “Social Thinking.”
 - “Let's Put Your Mind at Ease About the CMTs”
 - Continue discussion of Community Service Learning projects
 - How to support district initiative to teach all students skills for the 21st century
- Budget Process
 - Members were presented with budget calendar for this year. Mrs. Jordan discussed the items in the budget process. We are looking at a 0% budget increase for the upcoming school year.
 - Mr. McNally brought to light the perception of the public that the schools are staffed with librarians, since students are viewing the library paraprofessionals as full-time librarians and bringing their perceptions to their parents. Mr. McNally felt that this perception could pose a problem come budget season.

Decision Items:

- Adopt Handbook
- Goals for the 2009-2010 school year

Discussion items for next meeting:

- Possible community service learning projects
- Enrichment opportunities for students
- Budget
- Create calendar for parent involvement activities

Next Meeting: Joint SBIT SHS – November 4th – 7:00 p.m.

Next WBSS Meeting: December 9th – 6:00 p.m. in the Library/Media Center.

The public is invited to attend.

Adjourn-7:03 p.m.