

## **Advanced Academic Programs Advisory Committee (AAPAC)**

October 12, 2019

7:00 – 8:30 pm

### **School Board charge:**

AAPAC will explore successful practices at schools that provide frequent access to AAP strategies and curriculum in K-2 and propose a set of school-based actions to increase access to challenging learning experiences at the primary grade levels.

### **AAPAC Meeting Dates:**

- Oct 8, Nov 12, Dec 10, Jan 7, Feb 11, March 10, April 14, May 12
- Complete report by May 1; Committee signs report at May 12 meeting; Presentation to School Board on May 27 work session at Gatehouse

### **Members Present:**

Silvia Oszko, Patty Edwards, Paul Thomas, Lili Cui, Nancy Hollincheck, Suzanne Rayber, Samaine Lockwood, Terri Radziewski, Michelle Hebert-Giffen, Joanna Raffetto, Lisa Bertin

### **Staff Present:**

Kirsten Maloney, Lyn Malvin, Lori Bedsole

### **Minutes:**

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm by Kirsten

Voting for Committee Co-Chairs. Patty Edwards Moved that Sylvia and Susanne serve as Co-chairs. Terri seconded. All in Favor.

Reviewed Norms for work on the committee

Reviewed the AAPAC Charge

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Suzanne shared our work from last month. The committee focused on what we already know about this charge, what we need to know/learn and what resources could inform our learning and creating of recommendations.

Based on written comments from the Know/Need to Know group work collected at the end of the October meeting, there are two points the AAP office wishes to clarify:

- One group wrote that students are identified at the end of grade 2 to receive AAP levels of service; However, AAP services are available beginning in kindergarten through the continuum of services (levels I and II begin in kindergarten).
- One group mentioned that the AAP curriculum starts in grade 3; However, there is AAP curriculum available beginning in kindergarten. Each grade level – grades K-6 – has a menu of curriculum choices that teachers can use for differentiation in multiple subject areas.

The majority of the meeting time was spent learning about resources available for K-2 teacher planning.

- AAP specialists shared the resources available to K – 2 teachers from general education planning and pacing guides and the new quarterly Access to Rigor AAP guides that support entry points for teachers to use AAP curriculum as a tier 1 instructional practice.
- The strategic plan goal is to increase access to AAP curriculum as a level I service for all students, regardless of AAP identification. These materials support teachers' learning and planning towards this goal.

At the end of the meeting, the committee generated questions for the K-2 teacher panel discussion that will take place at our December meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8: 45 pm.