NetLEAD Grant Management Meeting
Tuesday, January 25, 2011; 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM
South Carolina Sheriff’s Association

Meeting Minutes


I. Introduction of Corps of Mentors- Dr. Shirley Martin
   a. Who are the new Mentors?
      • Kathi Gibson, Catherine Hammond, Dale Goff, Sharon Buddin, and Mary Chandler-McVann
   b. Accomplishments of the Mentors

II. Updates on the Corps of Mentor Activities- Dr. Shirley Martin
   a. Foundations in Mentoring Training
   b. Cognitive Coaching Training
   c. Weekly Meetings
   d. NAESP Mentors Training

III. Process of Placing the Mentors- Dr. Mark Mitchell
   a. Guidelines for choosing principals for the mentoring program (in handout packet).
   b. Importance for the mentors to develop a relationship with the principal. Mentors will be on site and create a long term relationship.
   c. Discussion and thoughts on the Corps of Mentors:
      • Opportunity not punishment for principal.
      • Willingness to work with the whole administrative team.
      • Equal access for all districts involved in NetLEAD.
d. Carolyn Williams made a MOTION: Partner schools will submit a list of principals to be served by the NetLEAD Corps of Mentors. The list should be submitted by **February 15, 2011.** (Submit to Tara Comer)

IV. Needs Assessment- Dr. Shirley Martin
   a. Highlights of responses to Needs Assessment
   b. Discussion of Professional Development responses

V. Professional Development Activities- Dr. Shirley Martin
   a. Professional Development Activities will be offered 8 times total (4 times in the Upstate and 4 times in the Pee Dee area).
   b. **MOTION** made by Page McCraw: The Professional Development Activities for NetLEAD (4 sessions in the Upstate and 4 sessions in the Pee Dee area) are to be held prior to October 2011. The PDA will be called “NetLEAD Professional Development Series I.” The Series should encompass the umbrella topic of “Engagement of the Student, Parents, and the Community” which would involve the implementation of the areas of:
      • Children in Poverty
      • Rigor in the Classroom/Engagement
      • Data Driven Decision Making
   c. Seminars will be held in the Upstate and Pee Dee areas
      • Upstate- Winthrop University
      • Pee Dee- Marion 1

VI. School Hall Meetings- Dr. Mark Mitchell
   a. School hall meetings are to be scheduled to receive input, create school-community connections, and to discuss critical issues.
   b. **MOTION** made by Stephen Laird- School hall meetings will be held by the Grant Management Team by September 15, 2011 for each district to coincide with back to school meetings. (Tara Comer to set up particular dates for each county)

VII. Principal Effectiveness Assessment- Dr. Felix Blumhardt
   a. Assessment handout to be used to evaluate the effectiveness of Professional Development Series.
   b. GMT raised concerns about the legality of the survey and consent forms.
   c. Item has been tabled until the next GMT meeting.

VIII. 2011 M. Ed Programs
a. Admission Requirements for the Master of Education program in Educational Leadership (handout)
b. Selection process (handout)
c. **MOTION** made by Kandace Bethea: The NetLEAD cohort in the Pee Dee area should be established at the cohort size of 15 and the student contribution at $195 per course.
d. **MOTION** made by Molly Spearman: Nominations for the M Ed program should be submitted by March 1, 2011.

IX. Tabled Items
a. Accommodations for the M. Ed program classes and Open Houses for the Cherokee and Union Counties and the Pee Dee partners (Page McCraw and Martha Heyward to check on).
b. Concerns regarding the Principal Effectiveness Assessment

X. Next Grant Management Team Meeting
   • Scheduled for Tuesday, February 22, 2011 from 9:30 AM-12:00 PM, Location to be announced.