

**COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL OF VERMONT/CORRECTIONS EDUCATION
FACULTY MEETING MINUTES
Montpelier Elks, Montpelier, VT
April 25, 2014**

Approved

CHSVT Present: Charity Baker, Jim Candon, Jack Carson, Jeff Cassarino, Chris Cosgrove, Lindsay Dakers, Pauline Dwyer, Jerry Fortin, Alan Frost, Jenn Gaito, Barb Hagen, Harmony Harriman, Lisa Harrington, Mary Beth Heiskell, Dan Hescoock, Marlena Hughes, Molly Humphrey, Ben Irish, Mike Lacoss, Dana Lesperance, John Long, Sarah Loveless, Eric Marchese, Troy McAllister, Jan Noskey, Wilhelmina Picard, Broni Plucas, Mary Poulos, Sharon Renault, Nick Rulon, Bob Salzman, Sheila Sayah, Dana Scofield, Bobbi Shutts, Jeanne Smith, Bill Storz, Claire Swaha, Scott Tomlinson, John Vorder Bruegge, Matt Ware

CHSVT Absent: Cara Berryman, Susan Chelton, John Cross, Sean Dobbin, Laurette Garrand, Tod Lessard, Paul Major, Angie Stewart, Sharon Strange, Chad Thompson

Guest: Elaine Watson

Common Core Standards for Math Practice, Two-year Initiative – Elaine Watson

Elaine came to the faculty meeting to introduce herself to the whole group and talk a little about the goals for the next two-years. Training will begin next Monday with the northern region teachers, at the Montpelier Elks, and Tuesday with the southern region teachers, at Southern State.

Review Unit Organizers (March faculty meeting professional development with Winona)

Worked in groups on sharing completed unit organizers that were started at the last faculty meeting.

Habits of Mind Jigsaw

Worked in groups with group questions to create a visual display with the following information: 1. Title your flip chart; 2. Create a logo or symbol of growth in the Habits; 3. Compose a brief statement or slogan that summarizes your group's work; 4. Put your group's poster on the wall.

Announcements and Updates

After 30 years with CHSVT, Alan Frost is retiring on May 1st. Dana presented Alan with a plaque and a few people got up and shared stories and memories about Alan.

Chad is the proud father of twin baby boys! Mom and babies are doing well!

A new Correctional Educator has been hired on the Rutland team. Gary Harris starts on May 19th.

The Correctional Educator position in St. Johnsbury closed today. This is the second time this position has been out on the job board. The first round did not bring many favorable candidates.

Jim Candon will be retiring on June 27th.

John Cross will return to work on May 5th.

Laurette Garrand gave birth to her second baby girl on April 1st.

Legislative session is beginning to wind down. It looks like our funding will be okay for next fiscal year.

Wilhelmina and Mike Touchette will be meeting with House Institutions to talk about Salvation Farms.

There is still no clear direction about CHSVT educating community students.

Wilhelmina worked for four days at a conference in New Orleans with others from the NCIA (National Correctional Industry Association). They are working toward a Best Practices Guide for Reentry. Thirty-four states were represented at the conference.

Wilhelmina shared some brochures that she received from various states at the NCIA conference. She is asking for thoughts and feedback about the various vocational programs that are being carried out in other states. The information on the Braille Transcription Program was shared with her at the NCIA conference and Wilhelmina thought that it could be a possible industry at Southern State.

The administrators had an interview with Michele Bellis for the HOM Expo. CHSVT will have a place in the Expo with interviews and a portfolio of our work.

Wilhelmina shared information about a new drug called “Spice” or “K2”. Discussed potential problems and what to look out for and who to contact with concerns.

There was a brief discussion about campus library services and it was recommended that individual campuses have conversations with Troy and Dana.

The May faculty meeting will be held on May 22nd at Oakledge Park, in Burlington. The meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. and will have a different look than past May meetings. No students will be at this meeting.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Mary Beth Heiskell made a motion to approve the February 28, 2014 and March 28, 2014 meeting minutes. Barb Hagen seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

The print shop now has the capability to create signs and banners. Contact Wilhelmina if you are interested at any time.

Changes in the Business Office: Linda Ladd has been hired to replace Matt D’Agostino. Tatum has accepted a new position in the Business Office. Her position has been posted on the job board and will be filled.

Assessing Student Dispositions/Habits of Mind (Professional Development)

Translating Credits to Proficiency (Professional Development)

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Sayah