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Site Based Meeting

September 24, 2013 6:30pm Media Center

- Introduction- Basden started the meeting with introductions. He suggested we elect an interim
 chairperson for September til January. At that time, we will start the new election term. Colleen
 Johnson was elected chairperson with unanimous vote. Tawnee Bounds was elected secretary.
 Basden proposed to have some things on the agenda saved until a later date.
- Approval of Minutes- Basden proposed that we did not need to approve of the previous minutes as we did not have an August meeting to approve.
- Present- Sam Basden, Lee Casey, Colleen Johnson, Tawnee Bounds, Gabriela Grello, Jill Reed,
 Lynette Reed, Natalile Conti, Shirley Bennett, John Arnette, Taylor West
- Absent- Michael Black, April Dawkins, Sarah Miller, Hailey Reed, Trey Staviski, Heather Welch, Kelly Crowell, Marianne Conti, Amanda Conti
- PRHS Student Services
 - School Improvement Plan- Basden reminded the Site Based Committee that the School Improvement Plan is on the website. He discussed the two goals of interest for this year:
 - 1. Continue the PLC process in our schools
 - 2. Improve our plan of checking to see if our plans are working
 - o Open house- Powerschool caused us to not have Open House on time.
 - Exam Exemptions- Will be discussed at a later time
 - Exams- Basden said that the state exams have changed names from MSL's to Common Exams to N.C. Final Exams. He mentioned that there will be N.C. Final Exams in the following subjects: English I, English II, English III, English IV, Math 2, Math 3, Discrete Math, Statistics, Biology, Chemistry, Earth/Environmental Science, Psychology/Sociology, World History, Civics & Economics, Cold War

PRHS Instruction

- 1 to 1 training- On going with the staff
- 1 to 1 laptop roll out- Basden explained that the laptop roll out was through homeroom this year and was well organized.





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- Test Results- Basden does not have EOC or MSL results at this time. He does not know what the passing scores will be, but PRHS will be competitive. According to his records, ACT scores are down about 1 point and the SAT scores are down about 2 points. However, PRHS's Graduation rate- cohort graduation rate- was up to 93.5%. That relates to 93.5% of students who entered as freshman graduated on time as seniors.
- PLC's- PRHS has a team attending training. Then, we will be ready to train teachers in November.

PRHS Operations

- Budget- All budgets are on hold due to the court case. Basden has been told to have about 80% of what we had last year. He does not know details at this time. Some instructional money needs to go to new/upgraded smartboards.
- Staffing- There have been lots of new staff members added to PRHS. Basden reminded the Site Based Committee of the numbers of staff members added to PRHS in years past.

Old Business

1:1 laptop – Already discussed above

New business

- Parent Concerns- A suggestion was made by Mrs. Reed in regards to the master schedule to have more flexibility with AP scheduling. Basden discussed a willingness to move to an A day/B day schedule. She asked if there was any discussion about a ten point scale instead of the current grading scale. Basden said that there has not been any discussion about it.
- Student Concerns- Conti was concerned that the A day/B day suggestion would not allow for students to doubling up on math.
- Teacher Concerns- Grello asked what is the criteria for pass/fail in a class. She asked if colleges look at that as well.
- Administrator Concerns- none at this time
- Special Programs / Upcoming Events- Will be discussed at a later time
 - o Athletics-
 - o Theater-
 - o Art-.
 - o Chorus-
 - o Band-
 - Community Partners-





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- Conclusion
 - Next meeting Tuesday, October 8, 2013
 - All were in favor to adjourn.

