4-18-22 AREA Meeting Minutes Held in Room 144 SAU Approved

In attendance from Wakefield: Mary Collins, Sandrea Taliaferro, Brennan Peaslee, Wakefield Assistant Superintendent Anne Kebler, In attendance for Spaulding: Chair Paul Lynch, Vice Chair Sarah Harrington, Matthew Pappas, Matthew Beaulieu, Anne Grassie, David Camire, Matthew Munn, Sandy Keans Spaulding Teachers and Administration: ??

Calendar

Spaulding aligns their calendar with Dover and Somersworth because of Vo-Tech. They all follow the New Hampshire adopted calendar. Professional Development days are contractual with the Union. The calendars are set at the Southeastern meetings. Mrs. Kebler was invited to attend the next two. The next one will be at Oyster River on the first Thursday of the month, May 12th at 8:15. Mrs. Kebler said it would be nice to coordinate with early release days also. Spaulding will send the calendar for next year to our SAU.

Dr, McDonald explained Raider Pathways, an alternative study program for struggling students. Smaller class sizes, structured and the students feel connected.

Math Curriculum

They are using McGraw-Hill math programs, iReady math and Reveal Math for k-8. They found that Everyday math was not successful. Envision Math and Eureka Math were not piloted. They found Eureka Math requires a lot of professional development and teacher confidence. A teacher has to be very competent in teaching math. They felt that the reading art was very difficult for students and did not agree that the teacher should read the math problem. They extended an invitation for Math teachers to meet with the Spaulding math teachers.

Covid Guidelines

Spaulding follows the state protocol They don't monitor students coming back after Covid or have them wear masks. They are as close to normal as possible. No masks and three feet distancing when possible. They are looking into air handlers. Students are participating in sports, after school activities and dances.

Bus Schedules

The students are dismissed at 2:14 but Wakefield kids leave at 2:10. Bus schedules are back to normal.

Respectfully submitted for approval at the next Facilities Sub-Committee meeting,

Priscilla Colbath School Board Secretary