

WHS Site Council
Monday, November 30, 2009
6:30 pm at Watertown High School
Combined Site Council Training with Superintendent

Topics Discussed

1. Site Council Law and Policy

Review of law and policy governing establishment and operation of site councils

2. I am What I Learn

<http://www.ed.gov/iamwhatilearn/index.html>

Student from Watertown, Kevin Phu, chosen as finalist in national competition. His video was shown to all in attendance

3. WPS Vision and Goals

New district goals/vision -- being voted on soon

Vision for 2012 - what Watertown schools will be know for (green sheets in handout)

-- support high academic achievement

-- foster self actualization

-- promote global and local citizenship

4. Working Session – WHS Break-out group

iParent -- pushes to add parents so more awareness of student progress

curriculum push

continuum for WMS->WHS transition

work more with middle school

5. Reports

Cunniff: district department plans for K-5, instead of by school -- reading, math; no bus/community atmosphere; many second language 4x in past two years;

Hosmer: core values (respect, hardwork, etc.), inc. assemblies; spirit day PS-5; collaboration with community; PTO web site; paperless newsletter; enrichment driven by parents (e.g., math before or after school, literary mag., exercise clubs), celebrations (inc. inclusion with allergies)

Lowell: improved newsletter by email; transitions to K improvements; parent participation near their children? 2nd grade Sean Cubby Seven Habits pilot -- to be expanded if successful.

WMS: more choices in enrichment; more sp.ed, autism, etc for special needs; new technology support person; for this year -- grading consistency; 8->9 transition; bullying and teasing ("let's get real") program being pursued;

WHS: transitions; iparent and rankbook; 70% parents signed up -- need more

Next meeting:

Planned for Wednesday, January 6, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.