

RSU 54/MSAD 54
Educational Policy/Program Committee
MINUTES
January 12, 2021
6:00 PM
SKOWHEGAN AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Committee Attendance: Sarah Bunker – Chair, Amy Rouse – Vice Chair, Mary Ellen Charles, Jeannie Conley, Derek Ellis, Goff French, Desiree Libby, Peggy Lovejoy

Also Present: Erin Madore, Mark Hatch, Jon Moody, Bruce Mochamer, Zachary Longyear, Gina Davis, Morgan Marden, Deb Tanner, Brenda Grenier

1. **Presentation by Gina Davis & Morgan Marden**
Grade K & 6 Remote Teachers

Gina Davis (K) and Morgan Marden (6) shared their experience as remote learning teachers this year. Although the experience has been challenging for all (staff, students and parents), both Ms. Davis and Ms. Marden have seen tremendous growth over the course of the year. The committee expressed their appreciation for the efforts of the district’s remote teachers.

2. **Presentation by Deb Tanner**
Skowhegan Area Middle School – Mathematics

Deb Tanner shared her experience as an in-person teacher in the 7th & 8th grade at SAMS. Ms. Tanner expressed that in her 36 years of education, this has been the hardest. Although she had concerns initially, she has found success instructing students who are both in-person and remote, and she shared that her curriculum is on-pace with where it was this time last year. She thanked the Board for additional workshop time and the supports teachers have been given, and is optimistic about the remainder of the year. The committee expressed their appreciation for the efforts of the district’s in-person teachers.

3. **Presentation by Brenda Grenier**
Skowhegan Area High School – Physical Education

Brenda Grenier, PE teacher at SAHS, shared how the PE program has leveraged Fit-Bit's to provide physical education to students at home and in-person. Brenda shared that the devices have allowed teachers to provide both voice and choice to students, while ensuring the rigor is there for students. The committee expressed their appreciation for the efforts of the district's teachers who have found creative ways to continue instruction this year.

4. **Policy Update**

District LAU Plan as well as Policy IHBEA will be discussed at our next meeting on 2/9/21

The committee tabled the policy discussion until their next meeting, 2/9/2021