# **District Wellness Committee Meeting Minutes**



June 7th, 2016

3:45PM

# Copper Hill School ~ Special Services Conference Room

In Attendance:

Kathy Kolvites (BS) Tommie Lou Judson (RH) Sharon Malzberg (JPC) Stephanie Voorhees (CO) Kathy Scheffels (RFIS) Tim Teeling (Maschios) Hallie Halsey (Maschios) Yvette Shangold (RFIS)

**Role of Committee** is to "make recommendations to the BOE to establish and maintain a school environment that promotes the consumption of nutritious foods in school, provides opportunities for students to engage in physical activities and provides health and wellness education.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

## **Sub-Committee Updates:**

- 1. Review of District's Wellness Policy (revised March 2014) -
  - The item was tabled until September. Tommie Lou expressed concerns with not updating the policy and noted that FRSD is out of compliance. Stephanie Voorhees, Anna Fallon and Dr. Caulfield will review.

## 2. Food Tasting Reviews

- Tim Teeling discussed the March Quinoa food tasting. The Quinoa had mixed reviews. The vinaigrette was discouraging. Tim will try without vinegar next year. April's tasting was Baba Ganoush. The tasting was not well received. Maschio's may try at a later date. The June tasting is fresh Mango. The tasting is ongoing through the entire month.
- The nurses requested that there be no food tastings in the months of September and June next year. They also requested that due to extensive paperwork, could Maschio's try to lump permission slips together.
- Brussel Sprouts and Quinoa are now on menu per Tim Teeling.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. <u>Updates on activities from School Wellness Committees</u>

#### **Barley Sheaf**

No meeting.

*Kathy Kolvites stated that the school did the following wellness activities:* 

Veggie Grilling

Staff continued heart health challenge

The students participated in Friday Fun Food Facts. Kathy will send pictures to Laura Bruhn to share.

#### Copper Hill

No meeting or updates.

#### Desmares

No meeting or updates.

#### Robert Hunter

Tommie Lou mentioned that the focus has been on Mindfulness, Meditation and Yoga. HMC offered to help but this did not happen due to faculty meeting time issues. Teachers are using "go noodle" mindful app with Smart Boards. A parent is trained in child yoga and is willing to work with students next year. The PTO is willing to sponsor the program.

RH also had a school wide dance party. The focus is to reward students with activities rather than food. Tommie Lou will forward pictures to Laura Bruhn to share.

#### **RFIS**

*Yvette Shangold reported the following:* 

#### **Students**

Students Kendall Williams and Dillon Baehr attended the Wellness Committee Meeting. They reported that students liked Chef War, students like the tastings that are offered during lunch, they would enjoy better tasting pizza and chicken and that they would like more time for lunch.

#### Walking Club- Staff

There are 10 walking club members but not all members walk on the same days. Amy Kurcharski instructed walkers on stretching and walking safety tips. Walking slowed down after PARCC testing.

## Meditation Club

Did not get enough members to run the class. Will get approval and advertise earlier for next year.

#### Student Flyer

For next year, they plan on incorporating part of Kathy Scheffels newsletter for student tips.

#### JP Case

Sharon Malzberg reported that there was a lack of response for Yoga, Walking or Meditation Clubs. The survey response was also low. They will try again in the new school year. On a positive note, the monthly newsletter was well received and will be continued.

#### 2. Hunterdon Healthcare School Health Advisory Team Meeting

Kathy Kolvites shared a new way for Hunterdon Medical Center to promote health. They are interested in joining with other activities to help promote health and wellness.

Kathy Scheffels suggested that a separate event be held at night for parents to attend regarding health and wellness at RFIS.

Hunterdon Healthcare is interested in doing another Lunch and Learn next year.

#### 3. Water Bottle Filing Stations

Stephanie Voorhees reported the following:

## **RFIS**

Installed 3/7/16. Saved 3104 plastic bottles to date.

## Copper Hill

Installed at the end of May.

## **Robert Hunter**

Tommie Lou noted that they would like one.

## 4. Other News:

- Kathleen Barbee will be taking over the website work for the committee.
- Hallie Halsey noted that Maschio's applied for a "Farm to School" Recognition Grant.
- Chef Battles Tim Teeling shared how the event works at RFIS.
- USDA Food Program will be providing fresh produce.
- Need to be sure to advertise all of the events regarding tastings, chef battles, etc.

District Wellness	District Staff:		
Committee	<ul> <li>Karen Slagle, Chair</li> </ul>	* Sharon	
	Malzberg, JPC Nurse		
Meeting dates:	<ul> <li>Kathleen Barbee, FAD Nurse</li> </ul>	* Yvette	
<ul> <li>Oct. 27, 2015</li> </ul>	Shangold, RFIS Nurse		
• Feb. 16, 2015	Tommie Lou Judson, RH Nurse	* Vanessa	
<ul> <li>June 7, 2016</li> </ul>	Ahmed, CH VP		
	<ul> <li>Kathy Kolvites, BS Nurse</li> </ul>	* Kathy	
Copper Hill Special Services	Scheffels, PE teacher	·	
Conference Room	Tim Teeling, Maschio's Food Service Director		
	Parent:		
3:30 ~ 4:45 PM	<ul> <li>Deborah Tyler, FAD Parent</li> </ul>		
	Community Partner:		
	Sandra Grenci, Community Nutrition Partner, Rutgers Cooperative		
	2015-16 Focus/Goals:		
	1. Lunch & Learn Event at Feb. 12, 2016 PD day		
	2. Wellness Policy review		
	3. Food Tasting		
4. School-Based Wellness Committee Activities		Activities	
Barley Sheaf Wellness	BS Staff:		
Com.	<ul> <li>Kathy Kolvites, Nurse</li> </ul>	* Chris Olivo, Cafeteria Aide	
	<ul> <li>Stacy Colon, Café. Aide Supervisor</li> </ul>	* Barbara Whale, Cafeteria	
2014-5 Focus/Activities:	Aide		
-Nutrition	Parent:		
-Physical activity	Beth Dendis		
-Stress	Andria Doyle		
Guest Speakers on:	Students:		
Relaxation Techniques	<ul> <li>Andy Pfeifer (4<sup>th</sup> gr.)</li> </ul>		
Healthy lunches	Sofia Collella (4 <sup>th</sup> gr.)		
Healthy dinners	, , ,		

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Meeting on Oct. 22, 2015	BS Staff Wellness Sub-Committee:  • Kathy Kolvites, Nurse	* Chris Truncale,	
Wiccing on Oct. 22, 2015	teacher	Cillis Hullcale,	
	Suzanne Galletta, teacher	* Tricia Marciano,	
	teacher	Tricia Warciano,	
	Dawn Golding, teacher		
	2015-16 Focus/Goals:		
Copper Hill Wellness	CH Staff:		
Comm.	<ul> <li>Vanessa Ahmed, Chair</li> </ul>	* Gina Loreti	
	Kelly Hoff	* Deb Hart	
2014-5 Focus/Activities:	Sher DeGenova		
-Indoor Walking Club			
-Outdoor Walking Club	2015-16 Focus/Goals:		
	1. Chef it up afterschool program-		
Meeting date: Oct. 27,	and prepare various foods based on class theme.		
2015	<ol><li>Winter indoor walking club (7 laps= 1 mile)- poster is hanging in the foyer to reference; several staff members walk together after</li></ol>		
	school.		
	3. Weekly taste tests for Special Education students to expand their repertoire of food (taste, texture, color, temperature, food group,		
	brand). This has been incorporate	ted into some students' IEPS.	
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Wellness Comm.	<ul> <li>Kathleen Barbee, Chair</li> </ul>	<ul><li>* Lea Klein, teacher</li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>Mark Masessa, VP</li> </ul>	* Meredith Weil, teacher	
2014-5 Focus/Activities:	<ul> <li>Jill Goldman-Botwin, teacher</li> </ul>		
-grant for sunshade	Parent:		
-wellness survey	Mrs. Tyler		
-partnership with Rutgers	Mrs. Liszt		
for parent/student	<ul> <li>Mrs. Easley</li> </ul>		
programs	Community Partner:		
Monting Oct 22 2015	Sandra Grenci, Community Nutrition Partner, Rutgers Cooperative		
Meeting: Oct. 22, 2015	2015-16 Focus/Goals:		
Robert Hunter	RH Staff:		
Wellness Committee	<ul> <li>Tommie Lou Judson, Nurse</li> </ul>	* Emy Drew, teacher	
	<ul> <li>Megan McPeek, teacher</li> </ul>	* Jen Marino, teacher	
2014-5 Focus/Activities:	Karen Matulay, teacher	* Caroline Foreman,	
-District Committee	teacher		
minutes	<ul> <li>Tamara Hoppe</li> </ul>	* Jennifer Smits,	
Goals	teacher		
-Staff Wellness survey	Parent:		
-Playground Sunshade	Mrs. Mausert		
grant	Mrs. Gray		
-Smart Chefs afterschool	<ul> <li>Mrs. Jainapur</li> </ul>		
program			
-Brown Bag makeover	Community Partner:		

Meeting date: Oct. 26,	Sandra Grenci, Community Nutrition Partner, Rutgers Cooperative		
2015	2015-16 Focus/Goals:		
RFIS	RFIS Staff:		
Wellness Committee	Wanda Quinones     * Amy Kucharski		
	Yvette Shangold		
2014-5 Focus/Activities:	Kathy Scheffels     * Lizette Vilaragut		
-Healthy Husky Herald	Megan Quattrochi		
newsletter	Aileen Marsh		
	Robin Smith		
	Parent:		
Meeting date: Oct. 21,	Christine Reed		
2015	Student: Alexis Cantor (TBD)		
	2015-16 Focus/Goals:		
	Meditation Class (class not yet confirmed)		
	2) Walking Club		
	3) Student Flyer Tip		
JP Case	JPC Staff:		
Wellness Committee	Sharon Malzberg, Nurse		
	Bob Castellano, Principal		
2014-5 Focus/Activities:	Megan O'Brien, Counselor		
-Wellness survey	Julie Quagliato, teacher		
-JPC Newsletter	Katie Lynes, teacher		
Masting data: Oct 15	Parents: TBD		
Meeting date: Oct. 15, 2015	Students: TBD		
2013	2015-16 Focus/Goals:		