BOCES Curriculum and Instruction Council
March 8, 2012

Précis

Updates
- State Ed Updates
- Legislative
- ITD Update
  - Facebook Page
  - TALKS Registration, March 15th, ESM
  - Appy Hour South, March 26th, am; pm
  - TIES, date changed to April 20th
- CI&A
  - LOTE Checkpoint B exam creation:
    - Test-creators seek a consistent common administration date of Monday, June 18th
    - Test-creators ask that there be one consistent version of tests administered in June – and that they don't know which one in advance
    - French, German, Italian, Spanish, and Latin exams have been created – some with as many as four different tests
  - Summer professional development that is being planned includes the following (let Lynn know what other things you want to see offered, or contact her to arrange custom, on-site work if more appropriate):
    - CCLS ELA Getting Started - June 28th
    - CCLS Literacy - July 11th
    - CCLS ELA Design Instruction K-5 - August 9th
    - CCLS ELA Design Instruction 6-12 - August 22nd
    - Formative Assessment: How and What - Aug 16th
    - Responsive Classroom I - Aug 13th - 17th
    - Project Based Learning - August 20th - 23rd (two days each for elementary and secondary- third day to follow in September)
  - Professional development coming up soon:
    - Literacy Strategies: Vocabulary - March 14th
    - Co-Teaching: Now What - March 15th
    - Teaching with Poverty in Mind - March 22nd
    - Responsive Classroom Level One - begins March 26th
- Teacher Centers
  - Common Formative Assessment Institute from Solution Tree
    - Both authors of *Common Formative Assessment* (the RTTT "textbook") will be here teaching the Institute
    - June 25th & 26th in Rodax 8
    - Limited to 100 educators
    - Teachers and leaders
    - OCM BOCES and the CNY Teacher Center joint project
    - Sign-up through MLP (click here)
  - OCM BOCES and the CNY Teacher Center are working together to develop a SLO example bank:
    - Teams of 2-3 teachers, through an on-line application process, will be "engaged"

- The team of 2-3 will create one or more SLO examples which we will post in a bank
- All content areas/bands will be invited
- Following a required 1 hr training, the teachers will have 3 hrs to independently create their example(s)
- Participants will be paid $25/hour = $100
- SLO examples will be reviewed and edited as necessary to increase parallel construction, appropriateness, and alignment with the SLO regulations and guidance.
- Share this link with teachers right away with encouragement to apply – we want to have a quick turnaround with this project. The application deadline will be March 26th and SLO training session will be 4:00pm on March 28th in Rodax 8.

Race To The Top

- Math Common Core
  - HS unpacking is coming up. It is pretty full – TST and OCM will share the wiki
  - Math Solutions Common Core Institute in Syracuse in the summer will occur on August 8th – 10th on the OCM BOCES Campus. Arrangements will be made for 80 participants. There will be grade-level bands of teachers who participate, probably K-2, 3-5, and 6-8. Network Team districts will have slots at no additional cost. Other districts will have to pay for their teachers to attend. The number of slots and costs will be released soon, along with sign-up procedures. Because districts have allotted spaces we will register people outside of MLP, with BCIC members submitting names and contact information. There will be a timeline for responses because we will be making unused slots available to other districts.
- Data Driven Instruction (DDI) will be the subject of the mini-lessons at this month's Lead Evaluator Training. Copies of *Common Formative Assessment* will be distributed there. Six Shifts of DDI and a Balanced Assessment System will also be distributed.
- The Tri-State rubric/checklists for ELA/literacy and math "unit" evaluation was distributed and explained. We did not have time to go through the example, but doing so does increase understanding of the tool.
  - ELA tool   slides   example (if time allows)   answer key
  - Math tool   slides
- Update on APPR

Regional Scoring

- Teachers' directions are out
- A set of slides for training teachers to score ELA extended response items is due out March 23rd
- The 3-8 School Administrators Manual is due to be released March 30th
- The 3-8 Scoring Site Operations Manual is scheduled to be released March 30th
- We have asked for the minutes/item scoring-time guidelines to be excerpted and distributed earlier

BCIC Meeting Schedule:

April 19, 2012
May 10, 2012
June 14, 2012