

October 9, 2006

Hello PL Cluster Council members,

Quick re-cap on our Monday meeting.

1. New participants were welcomed to the group: Kevin O'Beirne (Sunset View/Correia), Marvin Estrin (Silvergate/Dana Middle) and Laurie Benham (Sunset View). Note: emails added to the group list.

2. Work was done on the purpose of our group.

Innovation -- Communication -- Unification were three concepts that seemed to encompass much of the energy of the group. Individual members within the group aligned themselves with one or more of these concepts.

3. Work has been done by the sub-group tasked with communication. An FAQ sheet is nearing the final draft stages outlining the Dana Correia Middle Schools. A need for a PLHS FAQ sheet was introduced. Possible work on unification (combining of Dana/Correia foundations) was also discussed..

4. The retreat to focus on core values for the PL Cluster was postponed. To be rescheduled for late January 2007. As "homework" for this meeting, members should consider the question, "What are the three most important areas to improve all children's education." Some research may be necessary to answer this question. One resource is Matt's ibrary.com website.

5. Re-cap of the Cluster happy hour kick-off at the Spathas home in August. Noted the attendance of several principals.

6. NEXT MEETING: Monday, November 13th, Silvergate Library (Location to be confirmed)

Tentative Agenda:

1. Develop our own group's "FAQ" sheet... further define our areas of work.
2. Breakout into three sub-groups: Innovation, Communication, Unification
3. How are we doing on our "Three Ideas" -- general sharing
4. Planning for January retreat.

7. Communication with the District, specifically the area superintendents. Julie will touch base with Carol Barry and Matt with Nellie Myers.