

**Excellence in Student Achievement (EISA) Subcommittee
November 18, 2020**

Minutes

In attendance: Ms. Mahoney-Chair, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Ms. Dutton, Superintendent Ambrose, Dr. Haynes, Ms. Leavitt, Mr. Snyder, Mr. McCluskey, Ms. Desrochers, Brian Stack, (the Principals of the schools) Assistant High School Principal Matt Malila, Title 1 Administrator Kim Conant, Secondary Math Coordinator Grace Evans and District Math Coordinator Donna Donnell.

Dr. Haynes reported that the Alma rollout is going well, and will be producing progress reports soon. New features continue to be discovered and explored. The Elementary Principles are ready to move forward with it in December. The Middle School has made good progress working with Alma and noted that they have been very responsive. Let's acknowledge the tremendous assistance of Ms. Conant and Ms. Donnell with the implementation process. The High School is working through some challenges getting seniors grades to colleges but expect that this will be ironed out soon. Dr. Haynes noted that report card template design is still underway and they'll seek input from our subcommittee in the future on that. The Committee appreciates the efforts to address the challenges which are to be expected with the new student information system rollout and acknowledge Dr. Haynes in particular. Dr. Haynes and Ms. Leavitt provided an update on the SAT test results from last month. 104 seniors opted to take the SAT at 60% of the total class of 174. The results were that 56% met the benchmark which is a score of 480 for ELA. The statewide average was 69%. The 56% for Sanborn is up from 54% for last year's graduating class. For math, 20% met the benchmark of 530. The statewide average was 44%. The 20% for Sanborn is down from 30% from last year's graduating class. Ms. Evans has been tasked with assessing the factors behind the district's low math performance and she and Mr. Malila will prepare a presentation for the Board in December to discuss the root cause and other attributes and identify what instructional practices could be employed for improvement. This information will help to drive changes to the Master Schedule development for next year and lastly Dr. Haynes provided an update to the efforts to find a replacement for the current math curriculum. Ms. Donnell reported that some teachers have been meeting in each building. They'll have a group meeting in December and they plan to begin narrowing down options to pilot in January so they can have a recommendation for Dr. Haynes in February. Mr. Ambrose stated that an important objective is to provide a pathway for access to algebra 1 in 8th grade. Mr. Fitzpatrick emphasized that the curriculum should be vertically aligned with data points at the higher grades connected to the curriculum in the early grades. The next meeting is on December 16th.