

Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES
Component District Advisory Council

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What information was new?

- We have services provided by SLL BOCES
- Cross-Contract services – how it works
- Putnam business office services provided by our FEH BOCES
- Learning about BOCES services offered – better grasp on the big picture
- Technicality of the Co-Ser system to each coded system
- Nine member BOE for 10 districts – Raquette Lake/Long Lake configuration
 - First time Raquette Lake is being represented on the board
- Staffing patterns to districts – enrollment data
- New Visions programs
- Presentation of services provided for students
- Background information

Opportunities for your district to explore participation for additional shared services:

- Safety – feels it would be very beneficial for the FEH BOCES to have 1 District-Wide Safety Specialist to go district to district to ensure building codes, building responses to emergencies, etc. are being handled as needed. This person could provide professional development – one district uses home grown videos as training for all situations lock downs, tornado responses, etc.
- Business Office
- State Reporting Specialist/Systems person – VADIR, TEACH, etc.
- Food Services
- Psychological Evaluations
- PT and OT services
- Special Service to help hard to place services
- More districts to participate in the Special Education Consultation – not a split teacher
- Grant Research and Writing – untapped funds – a qualified/trained grant writer
- New CTE/New Vision Program – great idea, more marketing
 - Pharmacy Tech Program, Agriculture Program, Business Program
 - Partnerships
- PTECH Program – more districts to take advantage of the program
- Night School for our districts
- More districts to offer Driver’s Education – possibly during the summer
- Other BOCES offerings statewide/Accurate info about credits

In what areas of current BOCES programming would you like additional information?

- Coding/Gaming
- Parent informational sessions held at each district in regards to programs
- Explanation of articulation agreements – shared with administration and guidance
- Descriptions of Model Schools, School Improvement Co-Ser, Staff Development Co-Ser – a directory/written document
 - How do we use the School Improvement Co-Ser to collaborate services among districts?
- 7-9 Alternative Education – MS program for at risk students
 - What direction will you go to further develop the program?
- Other Co-Sers that are utilized by other BOCES that could be used at the Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES or the ability to cross-contract
- Make sure the communication between BOCES and the districts are accurate and easily understood

In what areas would you like the FEH BOCES to offer programming that is not currently available?

CTE PROGRAMS/OPORTUNITIES

- Cutting edge programs that draw students' interest - Build more into CTE – capitalize and expand it...
 - Pilot program similar to Orange County
 - More New visions type of CTE Courses
 - Manufacturing
 - Vet Tech
 - Engineering
 - Hospitality
 - Authentic work experiences
 - Middle Level Health (between Health Occupations and New Visions)
 - Life Skills Class – living, budgeting, etc.
 - Career Readiness Cert
- Employment preparation program
 - Identify employment needs – soft skills
 - Work Readiness
- Teacher Preparation program for high school students (due to lack of educators) – agreements with SUNY Plattsburgh and/or SUNY Potsdam

STUDENT SERVICES FOR HIGH NEED AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

- Better Middle School Programming
- More opportunities for the average students who are not sure what they want
- Program for the rising population of emotionally disturbed/aggressive/violent dangerous students at one location (5 district split cost would be beneficial) – knowing that some years you may have more/less students but willing to continue the equal split of cost

PD AND COMMUNICATION IDEAS

- Recommendation that certain PD Co-Ser limits amount of participation because registration fee is too high – to get people back in the door for PD, may need to take a loss
 - Look at programs focus districts are currently using so when funding is gone, BOCES will be prepared through 504 to continue services – Go to districts, not wait for them to come to us
 - PD opportunities that are cost effective and targeted – aid on substitute/mileage and PD
 - Opportunities – evaluate – facilitation of services


- Schools sharing best practices – successes
- BOCES sharing out information and what programs they are offering
- How would schools be able to use the BOCES to assess needs? (Surveys, face-to-face interactions, etc.)

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Next Meeting Dates:

- Monday, October 17, 5:30-8:00 pm (TOPIC: PROGRAMS and SERVICES)
LOCATION: Adirondack Educational Center
- Wednesday, November 9, 5:30-8:00 pm (TOPIC: BUDGET DEVELOPMENT AND IMPACT)
LOCATION: North Franklin Educational Center

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diversity – Mix Max• Guiding Questions• Candid• Time To Talk• Foundational Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emerging Issues• More Detail• Explore New Services & Mix• Prioritize Ideas• Brainstorm Challenges• BOCES – “My Place” Partners• Discuss ways to Improve Communication• Assessing Needs