

Consortium Minutes
November 1, 2001

Welcome – Mary Vaughan welcomed everyone to Consortium

Jerry Christensen introduced new people to consortium: USU's Rhonda Menlove sent **Jessica White, Sylvia Woodbury** with charter schools, **Jack Mayhew** now represents Weber. Jerry also introduced new staff members from the UPDC: **Terri Mitchell** and **Diane Johnson**. **Connie Nink** was unable to attend.

Jerry did the folder browse by and announced the food drive for next Consortium. **Sharon Neyme** talked about the ACRES conference, encouraging attendance to that conference. (Funding is available through SIGNAL if interested.)

Bruce Schroeder facilitated the **USOE Leadership Report**. **Brenda Broadbent** talked about the preschool training. There will be a summer institute for preschool teachers probably in June. In the fall there will be a statewide preschool conference. **Pat Beckman** talked about a standard-based focus group that has been formed to help implement practices in accessing the general curriculum. There is a task force working on functional curriculum. Pat is doing some AIMES training. November 9 Pat and **Nancy Geraldo** will be working together in Alpine with accessing the core with ESL person. They are looking at having a conference in the summer to implement ideas for accessing the core curriculum. **Deb Spark** is looking at new ideas for program improvement, not monitoring for compliance. "Going for the Gold" is the program that is now in place. Continuous Improvement is now the goal. She needs help in establishing performance goals and indicators that show progress towards those goals. **Bruce** had the group do an activity to work on CSPD goals. Each group reported their findings.

Jerry talked about the RIDE programs that were distributed today. There will be regional trainings on RIDE. Contact the UPDC for dates and locations. **Monica Ferguson** announced the 2nd Annual Recruitment Fair on March 15, 2002 at Ramada Inn in St. George. Encouraged everyone to participate.

Presentation: Brent Moulding, Science specialist from the USOE. He talked about accessing the general curriculum. What is the general Curriculum? It is generally agreed upon curriculum that has been deemed important for students to know (core content, core skills – articulation, integration). Integration is making sure that skills cross all academic areas. Big ideas and retainable knowledge – this is the core curriculum...the stuff that we learn and retain that can be used. Gathering evidence of learning includes observations, projects and test data. Brent's evaluation of assessment – is the student smiling; is the teacher smiling. This is a better indication of how things are going in the classroom than any actual test data. Need to work together for ALL children in ALL areas. (For more information on this subject - www.utahstate.sciencehome.page_files/science.htm)

Sharon Neyme presented "The Building Principal as the Leader in Developing IEPs for Students with Disabilities". Each principal throughout the state will receive a binder that Sharon has prepared on information needed to be able to function appropriately in this area. Includes a guide to IEP program; video about training techniques; Parent section with a video (Parents as Partners in the IEP process); Implementing IDEA, A Guide to Principals, sample IEP documents.

Adjourned meeting at 12:10 pm

Those in attendance:

DiAnne Adams	Cheryl Hostetter	Robin Rector
John Ballard	Cheryl Hunt	Jack Rudio
Pat Beckman	Peter Ingle	Bruce Schroeder
Brenda Broadbent	Diane Johnson	Cheryl Smith
Dawnne Casey	Paula Kashiwaeda	Deb Spark
Golda Cawley	Ted Kelly	Dave Taylor
Jerry Christensen	Karen Kowalski	Mae Taylor
Harriett Dickerson	Carl Larsen	Peter Titze
Margaret Dixon	Marilyn Madsen	Peter Titze
Ginny Eggen	Jack Mayhew	Tom Van Gorder
Monica Ferguson	Karen Medlin	Mary Vaughan
Jan Ferre	Terri Mitchell	Tom Walker
Peggy Fratto	Sharon Neyme	Jessica White
C.W. Freston	Steve Noyce	Nancy Winitzky
Janet Freston	Lowell Oswald	Sonia Woodbury
Jennie Gibson	Linda Otte	Richard Young
Kit Giddings	James Payant	
Barbara Graves	Ed Peterson	
Steve Hirase	Antoine Powell	
Randy Honaker	MaryAnne Prater	

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