



## Lenawee C2C Reading by Third Grade MINUTES

February 16, 2016

3-5:00 p.m., Community Room @ LISD Education Service Center

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**Attendance:** Ann Hinsdale-Knisel, Debbie Brighton, Mellissa Wilson, Stan Masters, Lauren Sugg, Sister Carleen Maly, Cindy Marcum, Marsha Evenson, Chelsea Samples-Steele

The Network reviewed the report of the Summer Reading by Third Grade Pilot (this group met on Feb 10<sup>th</sup>). The sites for this pilot include: Adrian Boys & Girls Club, YMCA, Christian Family Centre, and the LISD TECH Center - Career Camps held at the Center for a Sustainable Future. All sites will work with K- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade children (see attached PowerPoint) and will provide reading comprehension skill development lessons. Siena Heights University students, under the direction of Professor Eleanor Wollett, will train the staff and volunteers at each site. This work group will meet again on March 2, 1:00 PM, at the Center for a Sustainable Future, 4260 Tipton Hwy to:

- (1) Explore an evaluation tool and data sharing agreements with Stan Masters;
- (2) Explore suggested books for the lessons for each site;
- (3) Look at a sample bookmark that might be given to the students with each book they take home (questions for parents/caregivers to ask students about the books);
- (4) Firm up dates for reading comprehension lessons at each site.

LISD, along with other ISDs in the state, were eligible to apply for grants to fund 50% of a full time early literacy coach. LISD received this grant and will provide the required matching funds. There is no guarantee from the legislature of a second year of funding so we can only plan for one year at present.

One full-time early literacy coach will be hired to work with 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers during the 2016-17 school year.

Mellissa Wilson is serving on a statewide Early Literacy Task Force which is recommending ways to approach this work based on research and data.

The following districts received targeted literacy instruction and intervention grants for grades K–3 from the MI Department of Education in January – February 2016:

- Adrian School District = \$33,970
- Blissfield Community Schools = \$14,190
- Madison Elementary School = \$22,275
- Morenci Area Schools = \$7,095
- Onsted Community Schools = \$14,850
- Sand Creek = \$11,385
- Tecumseh Public Schools = \$35,000

Chelsea Samples- Steele ([samples@msu.edu](mailto:samples@msu.edu)), 3<sup>rd</sup> year doctoral student at Michigan State University, joined the Network to share her research on the **Imagination Library in Jackson County**. Chelsea and her advisor Dr. Lori Skibbe work in the Early Language and Literacy Investigations Laboratory in the Human Development and Family Studies program at MSU (see attached PowerPoint). The Network will be in contact with Chelsea to see if they



might add a component to the BRIGANCE screening to gather the data that would be needed to replicate the research done in Jackson County in Lenawee County.

**Next meeting:** April 19, 2016, 3-5:00 p.m., LISD Education Service Center, Community Room, 4107 N. Adrian Hwy

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