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Dr. Matthew Conway, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools

District Professional Development and SEED Team Meeting October 21, 2014 – 2:00 p.m.

Members in Attendance:

Dr. Matthew J. Conway, Jr., Superintendent of Schools, Dina Gotowala, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Carmine D'Onofrio, Help Desk Technician, Rozina Jaser, Teacher, Derby Middle School, Karla Pinho, Special Education Teacher, Derby High School, Jessica Tuozzoli, Teacher, Irving School, Sean Morrissey, Principal, Derby Middle School, Mario Ciccarini, Principal, Bradley School, Tracey Quartiano, Teacher Irving School and DEA President, Lynda Patrick, Special Education Teacher, Bradley School, Rebecca Syombathy, Teacher, Derby High School.

Discussion:

The Superintendent opened the meeting by stating the purpose for meeting is to revisit our District Educator Evaluation and Development Plan. When we submitted our plan to the Board of Education and the State for approval it was determined at that time we would not be utilizing Complementary Observers. Complementary Observers may assist primary evaluators by conducting observations, including pre and post conferences, collecting additional evidence, reviewing SLOs and providing feedback. A complementary observer should share his/her feedback with the primary evaluator as it is collected and shared with teachers.

Dr. Conway has had the opportunity to work directly with John Hennelly in Hartford. John's resume is attached for committee review. John is trained and certified in Teachscape. The District contracted with John to work with Derby High School staff.

The Committee was asked if anyone was opposed to revising our plan to include Complementary Observers. No one was opposed.

The Superintendent stated that he would propose this revision to the Board of Education at its Special Meeting on October 23, 2014. Once the Board approves the revision we will send it to the State Department by October 31, 2014 for final approval.