

Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative  
Executive Director's Goals  
2015-16 Update  
June 1, 2016

1. Create an annual reporting process that includes trend analysis for programs and services  
*Progress: Regular updates have not been completed due to delays in the state reporting system.*
  
2. Implement new programming options:
  - a. Implement parent partners.  
*Progress: Training for mentors is completed. Four parents have mentors.*
  - b. Extend relationship with Special Olympics.  
*Progress: 21 student athletes joined us this year with nearly as many coaches. We had 4 gold medalists who will be going to state. Many families and coaches have indicated that they would like to continue next year.*
  - c. Explore options for Safe Schools Programming.  
*Progress: No progress to date. There are questions about the need for program expansion or alternatives.*
  - d. Explore further options for at-risk programming.**  
*Progress:*
    - i. Interagency agreement, tasks, timelines presented for technical assistance the services for the **Illinois Youth Center for 2016-17.**
    - ii. Discussions with D304 regarding **pilot ALOP program at GHS** for students returning from hospitalizations/home schooling. The project will likely be approved for the 2016-17 school year.
    - iii. Discussions with staff from D101 regarding a pilot program with funding from the Kane County Sheriff's Department. This project will not likely come to fruition
    - iv. Discussions with staff from D101 regarding a student without an IEP attending the New Directions Program.
  
3. Other activities:
  - a. Implement student growth as a part of the evaluation plan.**  
*The work of the committee will be finalized into the existing evaluation plan on June 1. The Board will approve the plans in late June. Informational sessions with staff have been held. Staff will receive further information on the August Institute Days.*
  - b. Successfully negotiate one merged contract with TASC and MVSEA.  
*Negotiations are nearly complete. In my 6 years at MV, this is my 5<sup>th</sup> negotiation.*
  - c. Update and revise the strategic plan.  
*An anticipated completion date of September, 2016, after the Board workshop.*
  - d. Facilitate PowerIEP, PowerRtI implementation.**  
*Work is ongoing. Q&A documents completed. New staff training is planned for August. The use of RtI forms is next on the agenda.*

- e. **Continue with the work on the Mental Health Partnership.**
  - i. There are 75 members of the Mental Health Partnership. We meet every other month. There are generally about 30 folks in attendance.
  - ii. Participation in the following community networks: Kane County Behavioral Health, Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (State's Attorney), AOK Preschool Network (Behavioral Health), Fox Valley Mental Health Advisory Council, Fox River Valley Initiative
  - iii. The group has met their first goals: (a) knowledge of each other, resources, schools, community groups; (b) established communication links to share information, ask questions, and respond to needs.
  - iv. The group has made limited progress on the goals of the work-groups that included (a) post-hospitalization procedures and improved communication with schools; (b) developing/fostering relationships with service providers (both inside and outside the school walls), (c) providing professional development/awareness events; (d) sharing information about those events; (e) learning about resources available in our community to assist students, families and school personnel.
  - v. The group is at a crossroad. New goals need to be selected and refined.
- f. Added: **Speech-Language Committee Work.** Developed a new process for initial entitlement and continued entitlement for Speech-Language Services. Final drafts to be created on June 2. The district liaisons will determine the roll-out in the districts. The process will be used in MV for the 2016-17 school year. It is anticipated that there will need to be some ongoing work with this committee as they receive feedback from their colleagues.

**Bold=Recommended continued goals**