



# LEAN INTERMEDIATE MIDDLE SCHOOL

*Preparing for future success...one student at a time*

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## OIMS BLT MINUTES Monday, February 5, 2018

3:45 p.m.

**Present:** Jerry Trietley, Helen Button, Joel Whitcher, Sue Kallenbach

Jerry reviewed minutes from the **December 4<sup>th</sup> BLT meeting**, then went over minutes from both the December and January **Springboard meetings**. He noted that the January 18<sup>th</sup> **School Health Team** meeting was canceled.

**IRLA/STAR Updates** – No update was available for the meeting.

**State Assessments** – Sue Kallenbach commented that teachers work with students all year long, but never find out how their students did on the state tests. Jerry and Joel suggested she ask Maureen DiCerbo or the Guidance staff in September to show her the results.

**Teacher's Desk** – We are working with the Teacher's Desk program staff to secure a shopping day for all OIMS teaching staff (including BOCES teachers) at the Teacher's Desk in Buffalo. This resource provides up to \$1,000 in free classroom supplies per teacher. Eligibility is based on each school's free/reduced lunch percentages. Although our figures did not initially qualify us, the Teacher's Desk staff checked NYSED's website and found our numbers to be higher and well within eligibility range.

Review of **ELA, Math and CIAC Committee** minutes – Jerry handed out the minutes for all to review, and reminded everyone that these are all on the District's website.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Leadership Conference** – Jerry shared a memo from Mary Lee Wenke with her reflections from the Middle School Leadership Workshop she attended with 15 OIMS seventh graders. The students had to come up with things they liked and didn't like about their schools. In her memo, Mary Lee highlighted 5 things the students feel are good about OIMS and 3 things they would improve. The students had some enlightening ideas that we hope to pursue in order to improve student success at OIMS.

**LAP Plan Update** – Jerry shared Jen Mahar’s emailed Mid-Year LAP Update. Jen highlighted student outcomes for the 3 LAP Goals. Jerry said for Goal 1 (IRLA-reading at or above grade level), 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grades achieved the goal, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade is close. For Goal 2 (STAR Proficiency), 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades achieved the goal, 4<sup>th</sup> grade made improvement, and 7<sup>th</sup> grade shows decline; however, only a small percentage of 7<sup>th</sup> grade students do IRLA, so those reading outcomes are skewed. For Goal 3 (Chronic Absenteeism) all grade levels show improvement.

**Digital Addiction by the Numbers** - Jerry shared a data sheet provided by Ron Shoup which outlines the amount of time teenagers spend engaged in different aspects of screen time on their phones, computers and video games as opposed to other activities such as reading or doing homework. The data supports the revelation that 50% of teens feel addicted to their phones.

**The next BLT meeting will be held April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 3:45 p.m.**