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**Wayne-Finger Lakes Regional Instructional Council Meeting
Retreat Minutes
October 25 & 26, 2001
Inn at Glenora, Dundee**

Attendees: Kathryn Taylor (Bloomfield Rep); Nancy Ruscio (Canandaigua Rep); Tony Patanzo (Clyde-Savannah); Kathy Ring (Dundee Rep); Tom Cox (Gananda Supt-CSO Rep); Ann Goldfarb (Geneva Alt) and Ann Orman (Geneva Rep); Cindy Meyers (Gorham-Middlesex Rep); Peter Szlosek (Honeoye Rep); Angela Perrotto (Manchester-Shortsville Rep); Kathy Wegman (Marion Rep); Lynn Strang (Naples Rep); Henry Hann (Newark Alt); Mary Augusta Boogaard (North Rose-Wolcott Rep); Deb Proffitt (Palmyra-Macedon Rep); Renee Williams (Penn Yan Rep); Jan Driscoll (Phelps-Clifton Springs Rep); Randy Lawrence (Red Creek Rep); Barb Quinn (Romulus Rep); Pat Wright (Seneca Falls Rep); Jim Wood (Sodus Rep) and Marcia Cottrell (Sodus Alt); Gina Diesenberg (Victor Rep); BobDubik (Waterloo Rep); Joe Galante (Director Adult & Continuing Ed); Gail Evans (Facilitator); Sandy Bowman (Scribe)

Guest Speakers: Tony Tripolone (Data Services); Jo Slovak (Staff Development Trainer); Marla Iverson (Dir. of Staff Development); Jim Ludington (Math Coordinator); Jack McCabe (Assoc. Supt. for Curriculum and Technology); Elaine McAdam (RSSC); and Mike Washousky (SED Liaison).

Absent: Lyons CSD; Wayne CSD; Williamson CSD; Bonnie Lindsay (Dir. of Special Ed); Dan LaFica (TRC); Janet LeRoux (SETRC).

Welcome and Introduction (Gail Evans): Gail welcomed new and continuing RIC members and alternates to the 2nd Annual RIC Retreat. Jo Slovak offered an “ice breaker” brain teaser sheet for participants to solve.

CSO Focus for RIC (Gail Evans): A list of subjects identified by Superintendents for future review by the RIC was reviewed (attached).

Review of Charge (Gail Evans): Several questions were posed: (1) What needs clarity?; (2) Does it still work?; (3) What needs changing?; and (4) Any suggestions? A couple of members suggested that the purpose of RIC was unclear. Discussion took place and consensus was that Charge was on target, as is. Members still want SED information and regional collaboration/communication as structure. Suggested keeping ongoing dialogue between BOCES and all districts with direction/action – not just words. No changes were suggested.

Introduction of Jim Ludington, new Regional Math Coordinator: Jim’s focus will be to develop strategies to help kids meet the math standards through staff development, curriculum and lesson design, and best practices. Math uses transfer skills or essential skills, like reading and writing which should be embedded into the math curriculum. He will be looking at the math data for our region and doing gap analysis in the districts with

the lowest performance in math. He will also be acting as a math consultant in individual districts with his services at a per diem charge.

Overview of “Data Mentor” software (Tony Tripolone & Jim Ludington): Both Jim and Tony have been working with the Web Team in developing a software system for data analysis directly tied to test questions. Software will show gaps between average regional answers and district answers allowing teachers to specifically target a specific concept. Linked to the question and answer will be streaming video of a master teacher modeling teaching strategies for that particular concept, along with links to other math resources on the web. Data is fed into COGNOS, then COGNOS transfers the data into DATA MENTOR. Staff Development is asking districts to suggest teachers with expertise in their subject matter to volunteer to model for videos. Software is in the development stages only at present.

Building Local Capacity – Helping Students Achieve (Elaine McAdam - RSSC)

Phone: 716-271-3352): Districts can building local capacity by developing: (1) leadership; (2) planning and evaluation; (3) professional development; and (4) partnerships and parent involvement.

The U of R is looking for three Wayne-Finger Lakes Districts to participate in an American History Grant. Interested districts contact Gail Evans.

Keuka College is interested in partnerships with school districts, especially for student teacher possibilities. (Interested districts can contact Keuka College direct.)

Peer Review Process (Mike Washousky – SED Liaison) Phone: 518474-5923:

Originall2y developed in 1996 as professional development tool for building use. (NYSATL website.)_

Next RIC Meeting: Friday, November 2. Continental Breakfast will be available. 8:00 AM – 12:00 noon.