

PERA Committee
Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2015
3:30p.m.-4:30p.m.

Present: Adam Larsen, Jennifer Youngren, Ranae Leamanczyk, Ann Tilton, Andrew Nelson, Kim Radostits
Begin: 3:35 p.m.

1. Reviewed 10/19 minutes. Approved with one grammatical change by Ranae
2. Adam showed us drop down box for student growth tool so teachers can adjust student growth percentages when piloting.
3. Regroup from Mastery Connect and Canvas Demos
 - Adam had a chat with Mastery Connect
 - Cannot come up with a way to show data for Student Growth (SLOs)
 - They are probably not an option based upon this information
 - Canvas
 - Not quite as user friendly as Mastery Connect
 - Gives good assessment feed back
 - Good option for Learning Management System
 - Adam and Ranae have asked them to further explore if it can accommodate our needs to keep SLO data.
 - It could be useful to store RCD Units the way it was set up, so could we eliminate the template?
 - Perhaps get a group of teachers together to get demo accounts and play with Canvas and maybe even students and parents
 - Kim thought including students in a demo run would be a good idea because we do not want to utilize something they will no sign onto and use.
 - This is what we need in an LMS system:
 - Interactive with Powerschool
 - Assessment data
 - Push content out to kids
 - Be able to work in Windows and the one to one device we choose
 - One password to log into everything
 - If we adopt an LMS system, would we be costing ourselves something else?
 - Concern over having, yet one more program or thing to enter information into
 - Perhaps an LMS committee needs to be formed
 - Other options are Haiku and Schoology—Adam setting up demos for us to view what they have.
4. Finished going through review of ISBE documents—Guidance on District Decision Making
 - Adam will update with our answers to remaining questions.
5. We need to make a decision on the Student Growth percentage on teacher evaluation by May 1st, 2016.

END: 4:35 p.m.

Standby to hear from Adam on next demo sessions.