PASE Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2025 Kent ISD Thornapple Room

Members Present: Vanessa Aguirre-Gonzalez, Heather Bright, Amanda Dill, Kara Flowers, Katie Foote, Rachael

George, Marie Griffee, Jennie Kamyszek, Aryn Manni, Maria Mora-Bowen, Emily Perton, Jenni

Sewell

Guests: Stacy Crowell, Jen Gard, Jenny Gauld, Shanell Haigh, Sheree Harmon, Sarah Whitney

Excused: Joe Courtnay, Kassie Franklin, Esmina Hamzagic, Lindsey Kloeckner

I. Welcome and Introductions (2 new attendees)

- II. Approve Minutes from October 6, 2025
 - A. Aryn Manni
 - B. Maria Mora-Bowen
- III. Finalize PASE Bylaws
 - A. Jamie Kamyszek
 - B. Amanda Dill
- IV. PASE Priorities
 - A. Presented update on items covered, shared resources to cover items not on future agendas.
- V. PASE Elections
 - A. Only 1 parent nominated for the secretary position: Maria Mora-Bowen
 - B. Will follow up via email with PASE Reps relative to interest and moving elections to the next meeting (Feb 2026)
- VI. Community Spotlight: Mary McDermott w/ Calvin Clinic
 - A. Free/Donation based
 - B. Graduate students provide interventions-supervision by clinicians
 - C. Person Centered
 - D. Located on Calvin Campus
 - E. Offers in person and virtual support
 - F. Services offered in Fall, Winter and Summer
 - G. What do they do:
 - 1. Evaluation and Treatment for the following:
 - a) Articulation Therapy
 - b) Language Therapy
 - c) Cognitive Therapy
 - d) Pediatric Feeding Clinic: grant funded and work alongside Devos
 - e) Aural Rehabilitation (Hearing)
 - f) Telehealth Therapy
 - H. How to make a Referral and contact information provided
- VII. Personal Curriculum (PC): Tim Voskuil, Program Enhancement and Accountability Consultant
 - A. Why
 - 1. Shared Graduation and dropout rates for state and county

- 2. Shared rates of graduation and drop out for students who used a PC and those that did
- 3. Context of PC-Profile of HS Graduate
 - a) What is entailed in 18 MMC credits and what those create for a graduate
 - b) Complicating factors
 - (1) Most districts provide additional requirements beyond the 18 MMC requires
 - (2) Districts make all decisions relative to curriculum, materials, local assessments, grading, etc.
 - c) Complicating factors can create opportunities because of flexibility and local control.
 - d) Student credit: based on proficiency of standards, not a specific course
 - (1) Districts determine proficiency
 - e) Course are the "vehicles" for the content standards: determined by district
 - f) Districts control the quality of the PC's and grant diplomas

B. What

- 1. What can a PC do: focus on Type 3 (students with an IEP)
- 2. Modifications overview
 - a) All MMC subject area credit requirements are able to be modified
 - b) PC Modifications: Not a separate or parallel curriculum
 - c) Provided subject areas and example PC modifications
- 3. What is a PC unable to address?
 - a) Should not address performance deficits from non-disability related inadequate work habits and absenteeism
 - b) Should maintain the spirit of the law, which should be a priority of the district
 - c) Only to replace MMC requirements, not for electives
- 4. Must consider the loss of post-secondary education opportunities and support when a diploma is granted without meeting appropriate rigor and relevance.

C. How

- 1. PC Committee
 - a) Must be comprised of student, parent and district designee (varies)
 - b) Could include others as well
- 2. Should be aligned to post school vision
 - a) EDP: Educational Development Plan
 - b) IEP: Individualized Education Plan/Transition Plan
- D. Sample Scenarios and review of form
- E. Who you should reach out to within your district with questions and resources to support understanding of PCs
- VIII. Public Comment and Closing
- IX. Next Meeting; February 2, 2026