

**Wellness Committee
November 30, 2016
Meeting Minutes**

Start Time: 4:05pm

Matt McKinley assumed minute taker duties.

Matt McKinley discussed the BOE presentation about how grant money was spent this past year and the direction of the committee moving forward. Matt has sent Rebekah Grim the pictures of students using our new equipment purchased through the grant as well as a write up. These pictures will be placed on our website and credit will be given to NYSDOH and the St. Lawrence County Health Initiative for their efforts. Rebekah was going to contact Bob Beckstead about covering this.

Mr. Brady asked about when the Erie 1 wellness policy template would be made available for districts to use. Sarah Bentley-Garfinkel said it should be out by the end of December. ***(We now know that the plan is to release it around December 15th, per Mr. Brady's communication with Erie 1)***

Sarah Bentley-Garfinkel raised the question of how we inform the public/staff of changes to the wellness policy and future updates. Mr. Brady suggested continuing to use our current modes of communication through email, our website and social media. Mr. Richards thought that we could still use written forms of communication such as news and notes bulletins that go home periodically. Further discussion of developing a website occurred. Ideas were tossed around about what the website could include; pictures, links to the wellness policy, links to informational sites that might be useful to staff, students, and the public. (ie. latest research) Mr. Richards asked Sarah about what other districts have done with their websites and that maybe we could view theirs rather than reinventing the wheel. Matt McKinley said he would contact Rebekah Grim to see if she was willing to meet with members of the committee to discuss the design and options for the site.

Matt McKinley asked when we would begin putting together ideas for our next round of funding. Sarah said they haven't received the funding yet, but that this round of funding would have to focus on items used to implement our wellness policy.

It was decided that we would not meet before holiday break because the E1B template was not out yet. Further discussion took place about meeting for a half day to begin tackling our wellness policy. We have \$500 for substitute reimbursement. Mr. Brady said the district could help out with that if needed. We will plan to resume our meetings in January.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45pm