

**VERTICAL TEAMING FOR ALL MINUTES  
2007-2008**

**Content Area:** World Languages/ASL Vertical Team

**Today's date:** February 26, 2008 **Recorder:** Karen Hommerding

**Date/time/place for next meeting:** Tuesday, March 25, 2008  
Paulette Anderson's Apollo classroom

**VT Leadership Team members present:** Karlyn Doyle, Paulette Anderson, Mary Killmer, Naomi Pilantz and Karen Hommerding

***Agenda Item: Power Point Presentation***

***Summary of discussion:***

- *Finalized the power point and planning for the Board of Education presentation on February 28, 2008*

***Agenda Item: Concerns and Long-Term Goals of WL/ASL Vertical Team***

***Summary of discussion:***

- *Concern Spanish teachers do not participate on the Vertical Team this year*
- *Concern that technology in World Language classrooms is dated*
- *Goal: Have French and German programs at the middle level to provide for AP courses in the future in those languages*
- *Additional Goal: Offer French, German and Spanish at all elementaries*

***Action decision:***

- *Concerns and long-term goals will be shared with Julia Espe*

***People to follow up:***

- *Karen Hommerding will forward concerns and goals to Julia Espe*

***Agenda Item: Data Source Possibilities***

***Summary of discussion:***

- ***Student grades in World Language courses and other courses***
- ***Assessments World Language teachers are currently using with students***

***Agenda Item: Oral Language Proficiencies***

***Summary of discussion:***

- ***Concern that much teacher training is needed to administer OLPs; How much would training and test materials purchases cost?***
- ***Teachers shared that, in addition to oral language proficiency, focus is now also placed on reading and questioning***
- ***Teachers would like the value of Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling (TPRS) recognized***

***Task list if appropriate:***

- ***Teachers will bring assessments they are currently using with students to examine as student data for the WL/ASL Vertical Team at the March meeting***