High School Principal report to the School Board December 10, 2012

- 1. The end of the first semester is December 21st. Students are currently preparing for semester tests and exams. Exams will follow a schedule for students to take extended finals and semester tests December 19, 20 and 21.
- 2. The second semester schedule is nearly complete after adding study halls and making class adjustments as needed.
- 3. Collaborative Learning Teams will be finishing their book study this next month. They are busy discussing the option of an intervention period during the school day. After the book study, we will be looking at data from Iowa Assessments and MAP to plan for students who may be struggling in academic areas.
- 4. We continue to offer concurrent enrollment classes through NICC and Hawkeye through our CTE programs. We are exploring adding more of these courses. Attached please find the students petitioning for graduation at semester and the Chapter 12 exemption for physical education for the upcoming year.
- 5. We have four students who are on track to graduate early. Board approval will need to be granted for those early grads.
- 6. We had one student complete coursework in the EOP this week. We will need approval to grant a diploma to that student.
- 7. Susan Anderson and I had the opportunity to visit Denver Secondary Schools to observe their use of PLCs/CLTs during the school day. Paul Gebel, the principal, was able to give us many ideas on how we can run that time more efficiently and include students more fully.
- 8. I will be visiting Howard Winneshiek High School after winter break to observe their use of VREP. This may be an option for our students in the future.

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