

**SCOTT Transition Advisory Board**  
**TAB Minutes**  
**October 16, 2008**  
<http://www.aea9.k12.ia.us/tab>

Present:

Thom Gleich, Dav. North HS  
Rich Toohill, Dav. West HS  
Rick Sharp, Dav. Central HS  
Jane Rock, Miss. Bend AEA  
Hershel Jackson, IICIL

Brian Champ, Voc. Rehab.  
Michelle Wehr, Miss. Bend AEA  
Stacie Kintigh, North Scott HS  
Katy Decker, HDC

Announcements:

- Rick Sharp no longer owns the video store in Eldridge.
- Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services currently has no waiting list for any category of services. Services can now begin within approximately 30 days of eligibility. Even mildly disabled individuals can now be served. It is a good time to make referrals! IVRS has a new Transition Initiative promoting earlier referrals (HS sophomores). It is hoped that earlier referrals will allow the VR counselor more time to develop relationships with students, which will improve collaborative IEPs and IPEs, resulting in more positive employment outcomes.
- Mike Williams from the Division of Persons with Disabilities (State of Iowa) will be in Scott County on Nov 12 and 13 to meet with Voc. Rehab staff and special educators at local high schools. He is promoting the Summer 2009 Youth Leadership Forum for HS students with disabilities. He has been in touch with Davenport North and Davenport West. Michelle and Jane gave him contact information for Davenport Central, Bettendorf, North Scott and PV Highs.
- North Scott HS is hosting a Transition Workshop for students and families on Wednesday, Oct 22, 5-7PM. Contact Stacie, Carol or Michelle for more information. Several TAB members will help with the presentations.

Review of August 2008 Action Plan:

- TAB minutes were sent, again including the Voter Packet and newly created Presidential Comparison chart. Several high schools are using it.
- The October 13 Workshop for college-bound students with disabilities only had one student and her parent in attendance. Representatives from St. Ambrose, Scott Comm Coll, and the AEA Assistive Technology Team presented information. A student from Ambrose also shared her perspective as a college student with a disability. Several TAB members collected literature from all the colleges at the Fair about their services for students with disabilities. That information will be kept in a file at MBAEA; any teacher, parent or student is welcome to utilize. **Recommendations for next year:** Encourage all Level I teachers to promote the event more; Consider offering similar workshops at local high school level rather than at SAU College Fair – may be an intimidating setting; scale down the presentation so that AT doesn't have to haul all their equipment; consider requiring advance registration.

- The TAB Community Resource brochures are still being printed. Jane and Michelle will send them out as soon as they are done.

Ideas for 2009 TAB activities:

- Transition workshops for families, sponsored by local high schools
- Lunch & Learn events, on transition topics for interested educators
- Advance planning to offer 2009-10 inservices with local schools, on their inservice calendars

**10/16/08 ACTION PLAN**

Prepare, send out TAB minutes. Send out TAB Comm. Resource brochures.	Jane Rock	By 10-28-08
Ask Bettendorf and PV if they are interested in TAB/AEA support to organize parent workshops.	Michelle Wehr Jane Rock	By 10-28-08
Develop a mini-survey for teachers to provide input on what transition topics and times would be of greatest interest. Share with Davenport WECs.	Michelle Wehr	By 11-08
Plan a "Lunch and Learn" event related to apprenticeships and vocational programs for Spring 2009.	Michelle Wehr Stacie Kintigh	TBA
Check with principals to see if there is available inservice time when TAB could offer something on Jan 16 or April 20. Let Michelle know by end of October.	Rick, Thom, Rich	By 10-31-08
Check on availability of Texas Roadhouse for TAB Luncheon on 12-18.	Stacie Kintigh	ASAP

**NEXT MEETING:  
Thursday, December 18, 2008  
12:00-1:30PM Luncheon and Brief Meeting  
Location TBA**

**AGENDA**

1. Brief Review of October Action Plan
2. Summary Report - Nov 17 PCFP workshop
3. Brainstorm, Prioritize TAB project(s) for 2009
4. Action Planning and Meeting Dates for 2009