

Notes from Members' Forum June 2014

Alan Hamacher facilitated the meeting. We began at 4:30 with introductions.

Volusia County is implementing some English curriculum and asking if anyone else is being forced to teach a certain curriculum. We all said no, English PIB is a course of its own.

Laura Nelms had two malpractice investigations on ToK papers. Does the student then qualify for a FL High School Diploma? Most counties allow students to graduate.

We all need to go to EE training. Changes go into effect May 2018. IB is publishing a "Reflections on Planning and Progress" on OCC in July.

Make sure your students and teachers in ToK are using the PPD form.

People discussed using turnitin.com to combat malpractice. Many schools use turnitin.com for all components. Rutherford uses a sticker on the EE cover that says the paper has been uploaded to turnitin.com. Turnitin.com costs \$4000. Jan says that turnitin.com has different sensitivities around the world.

A discussion ensued about ToK scheduling. It seemed as if there was conflicting information depending on who gave the information about what format must be followed to comply with "concurrency of learning." Some were told infusion in the subject classrooms was acceptable, some were told it must be a stand alone class.

Sports Exercise and Physiology is not recognized as a science. This is still a problem with universities giving credit for science. This is also true for design technology and environmental systems.