

COUNCILS

Evansville Area Council (Evansville) – Evansville presented a training each month on the National Standards for Parent/Family Involvement. They started in the 1999-2000 school and continued through this March. Evansville also co-sponsored a Meet Your Legislators evening with the Southern Region. Six local legislators were invited to discuss the 2001 legislative session. Formal presentations were given and then a reception was held to allow the public the opportunity to meet and talk on a one-on-one basis.

Hammond Council (Hammond) – Hammond held a president's report writing night to help unit presidents put together their president's report,. It was held in the school city computer lab and each attendee was given a disk and the opportunity begin/complete their report with council past presidents there to help with questions. The disk allowed any incomplete reports to be taken home for changes or finalizing. Hammond has a special school board situation arise on a council meeting night. They always have "10 to Train" a 5-10 minute training session at each meeting. On that night they held a VERY short meeting, had the 10 to Train on How to Run an Efficient Meeting in a Short Time and adjourned to the school board meeting. Most of the people attended the school board meeting.

LaPorte Community Council (LaPorte) – They emphasized leadership training by offering council training at the local units as well as at council meetings. They take advantage of the two state board members in the area to have them present overall topics and a review of what state has available.

Marion County Council (Indianapolis) – Marion County president took a copy of the PTA "violent video" resolution and made a presentation to the City-County Council Policy Committee and supported the Mayor's initiative on video arcades. The mayor's project has become a state legislative focus issue.

Warren Council (Indianapolis) – Warren held a summer board meeting for all incoming and outgoing board members. Purpose: to discuss the current state of the council, the goals for the upcoming years, things done well and things that need improvement. This was also the time to turn over the books and key information to the function of that specific officer role. Warren also had a meeting with the unit presidents and the principals. Collaborating with the superintendent and assistant superintendents, this meeting was to discuss the collaborative relationship of the PTA president and the school principal and to set the stage of their working together. All principals and presidents attended.