

SUPERINTENDENT'S ROUNDTABLE
Thursday, February 7, 2019
Administrative Center - 280 Interstate Drive Wentzville, MO
12:30 PM
Minutes Generated by Kaci Gross - 02/07/18

Present:

Curtis Cain
Joe Richter
Kathy DeLaquil
Kaci Gross
Brandy Larson
Wendy Helton - for Kim Porter
Jessica Steele
Stephanie LaPorte
Amy Downey
Steve Brockman
Kim Crain
Dawn Peters
Kelly Rowan
Harry Corbett
Amy Althen-Goeppner
Gayle Stelzer
Dan Schroeder
Elise McCoy
Amy Schnell

Call to order - 12:40 PM

Introductions

1. Good News - Dr. Cain shared the good news within the district
 - APR Released
 - Shared that WSD received a 99.1%
 - All time high score for the district
 - District TOY
 - Kaci Lueking (1st grade teacher at Wabash) was named TOY
 - Liberty Swimmer
 - Hallie Anderson (LHS) on US Paralympic Team
 - Outstanding Young Educator
 - Jacob England (Holt and WMS Band) - MMEA Outstanding Young Educator Award

- Clean Financial Audit
 - No findings or questions within the audit process
- Timberland Artist Receives Local & State Awards
 - Diana Janikow (THS) Regional Scholastic Art Competition
- Duello's Parn Named Exemplary New Principal
 - STL Suburban Elementary Principals Association
- THS Student Named Special Olympics Volunteer of the Year
 - Megan Reiter (THS) The Outstanding Youth Volunteer award
- Stone Creek Teacher Named VFW TOY
 - Patti Chaddock (SCE SPED Teacher)
- WSD Wrestlers Qualify for 1st All-Girls State Tourney
 - Reese Compton (HHS), Esther Han (HHS) and Janna Stevenson (LHS)
- THS Counselor Named School Counselor of the Year
 - Tammy Braun (THS) SLSSCA award
- First District Amazing Shake Champion
 - Kyla Humphries (SCE) named winner

2. District Updates

- Prop E: Progress as Promised
 - New High School**
 - February 15th - construction equipment is set to appear, weather pending
 - Completion in 2021 (doors opening in fall of 2021)
 - Comments on some concerns within the community about entrances and exits
 - Talk about drop off/pick up traffic on the roads
 - New Elementary**
 - Set to open in fall of 2020
- New Demographic Study
 - Now tenth largest district in MO - most likely soon to be ninth
 - MGT Consulting Group - working to help guide 2019 Boundary Committee
- New Boundaries
 - MGT to help through this process
 - April to May 2019 - Demographic study completed and committee formed
 - May to November - Boundary committee to work and formulate boundaries
 - December 2019 - New boundaries presented to the BOE for approval

- Want the students and buildings to adjust for a semester (Spring 2020)
- Boundary changes will most likely impact all schools
- Talking about positives and negatives of the last boundary shift
- Do have space on the new high school's campus for a new middle school someday
- Questions about the Boundary committee and how it all works (what is taken into consideration, old boundary shifts, etc)
- CSIP Update
 - November and January GPS Meetings were held - next GPS Meeting is on Tuesday February 12th
 - About 75 people attended and 50 watched live on Facebook
 - November - Teaching and Learning
 - Chromebooks/technology are having a positive impact however there is a struggle with the amount available at elementary level
 - Access versus ownership (elementary school level kids do not really need the technology at a 1:1 ratio)
 - Concerns about parent access of online textbooks - parents not being able to have access and therefore not being able to help their students
 - January - Finances, Facilities and Staffing
 - Tax increase support - 85.2% would support operating cost tax increase
 - Discussion on class sizes (hiring more teaching to lower class sizes) versus first year hire pay rate - which is more of a priority? We do not have the space (at the moment) to get K-6 class sizes to DESE desirable standard.
- Marketing/Logo Update
 - Just approved 17th marketing partner
 - District logo has not been updated in over 10 years
- Inclement Weather
 - Discussion on last early release - BOE met and it is understood now that the district will shut down next time, applies to everyone
- Updated Academic Calendar
 - Last day (as it stands right now) is May 31st, 2019

- Summer school is still being worked out at the moment - need July for preparation for the next school year

Substitute teaching is a problem in the buildings. Discussion on application process and that everyone in the area is struggling.

BOE members not being allowed into the schools. Conversation about Board commitments happening.

Adjourn - 2:00 PM

Next Meeting - Thursday May 2, 2019 at 12:30 PM