

ACE Meeting Minutes

The purpose of the Advisory Council for Education is to provide a systematic representative public involvement in educational decisions under consideration by the Board of Directors.

Sept. 14, 2023 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Members Present

Alyssa Acosta, Terrie Bertrand, Sarah Blake, Erika Coghill, Judy Fay, Megan Hodgson, Lauren Hunter, Britt Kleinman, Mary Levesque, Arissa Matthews, Alex Pincus, Adrienne Pournadeali, Gary Sabol, Kiera Wilson

Call to Order

6:03 p.m.

Introductions

Committee members introduced themselves to the new student advisors.

Approve Minutes

Terrie Bertrand made a motion, seconded by Judy Fay, to approve the minutes from the May 30, 2023 meeting. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

Teambuilding

Committee members shared a favorite personal school memory and what their greatest hope was for this year.

Voices Opportunities

Gary explained that there are different opportunities to hear voices from students, staff, community members and district leaders. Each group was asked what makes learning hard, what needs improvement, and what would they like to see for the future.

Hear from Student Advisors

The student advisors shared the following:

- Supports for students who transitions from out of district into our district
- Clarification of dress code, maybe revise policy handbook?
- Backpacks vs. lockers?
- How can we build community?
- It would be nice to have more electives at the high school



Family and Community Survey Results

Gary shared the annual family and community survey results with committee members. Secondary students and staff were also sent surveys.

Review the Charter

Britt reviewed the charter with committee members. This was also shared with the board during their June meeting.

District Informational Updates

- Enrollment- Increase of 80 students this school year
- Budget- The Budget Advisory Committee will continue this year
- District Empasis for 2023-24- Belong and Learn

Feedback from Committee Members

- Send legislative ideas to Sherri Kelly
- Revisit late start times
- Can there be training for sub paras?
- Enrollment update: How many choice transfers?
- Bring back sub committees to research items for the board

Closing

Judy Fay made a motion, seconded by Megan Hodgson, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 5