

SMITHTON COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #130

Smithton, Illinois 62285

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting, April 6, 2016

MINUTES

The Strategic Planning Committee meeting of the Board of Education of Smithton Community Consolidated School District #130 was held on April 6, 2016, in the Smithton School Art Room, 316 South Hickory, Smithton, Illinois 62285.

Susan Homes, Superintendent, recorded minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on April 6, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Administrators: Superintendent Dr. Susan Homes and Principal Vicki Norton

Board of Education Members: Brian Lester and Ed Farley

Unicom-ARC Representative Dan Burns

Facilitating Team Co-Chairs: Bob Mueller and Jason Becherer

Team Members: Michelle Smith, Neal Trentman, and Shelley LePere.

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Mr. Lester welcomed the group and turned the meeting over to Mr. Mueller and Mr. Becherer.

Dr. Homes led a brief discussion of the list of priorities that NEED TO BE ADDRESSED summarized from the March 21 Community Engagement Meeting (CES-2). Those weighted priorities included the following:

- Space/Facilities
- Curriculum
- Finances
- Professional Development
- Safety
- School Atmosphere
- Data Analysis
- Technology
- Distance Learning
- Instructional Strategies

Following a review of the verbatim feedback from CES-2, Dr. Homes reported that Andy Stehl (in attendance) and Art Hayhurst would lead a discussion on the results of the district's recent 10-Year Health Life and Safety audit at the third Community Engagement Meeting scheduled for April 11. She also mentioned that Mr. Stehl and Mr. Hayhurst would be discussing the current building challenges as they had been observed during their recent HLS visit. Those challenges identified for discussion at CES-3 included the following:

- Classroom Space (Quantity and Quality)

- ADA Compliance
- Security
- Fire Safety
- Storage
- Restroom Access
- Auxiliary Services – Nurse, Occupational & Physical Therapy
- Food Service
- Electrical Capacity
- Gymnasium Space

After discussion, the consensus of the group agreed that the CES-3 presentation would include the following topics:

- Recap of the CES-2 priorities (led by Mr. Mueller and Mr. Becherer)
- Review of the school's construction history diagram (led by FGM)
- Review of the 10-Year Health, Life and Safety audit (led by FGM)
- Overview of the current facility challenges as observed through feedback from the strategic planning committee and observation by the architects (led by FGM with building and curricular implications by Dr. Homes)
- Review of the current curricular offerings (led by Dr. Homes)

The group agreed to the following as small group work activity questions which Dr. Homes agreed to develop:


- Prioritization of facility challenges
- Prioritization of curricular areas
- Suggestions to the district for ways to address the facility challenges

Dr. Homes reported that she had attended the St. Clair County superintendent steering committee regarding the one-cent sales tax earlier that morning. It appeared that there was nearly unanimous support from St. Clair County districts to pass resolutions to put the one-cent sales tax on the November ballot. Dr. Homes reminded the group that revenue from the potential sales tax could provide a revenue source for addressing the facility needs. She reported she had a meeting planned with Stifel to discuss how they could present the information at the May 9 Community Engagement Meeting.

Mr. Mueller encouraged all members at the meeting to invite at least two people to attend the April 11 meeting.

The next facilitation meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 28 in the Smithton Art Room from 7 – 9 p.m. That evening's session would include a review of the verbatim notes collected from the CES-3 and planning for CES-4.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.



President



Secretary