

## **DOWNERS GROVE GRADE SCHOOL DISTRICT 58**

### **MEET & CONFER STRATEGIC PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING**

**June 8, 2017**

The Meet & Confer Strategic Plan Committee met on Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 7:02 a.m. at Longfellow Center.

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m.

#### **Present**

Elizabeth Sigale (Co-chair), Jill Samonte (Co-chair), David Bein, Kari Cremascoli, Matt Durbala (arrived at 7:06 a.m.), James Eichmiller, Erin Guth, Megan Hewitt, Katie Hurckes, Jason Lynde, Kate Nickell, Pam Osika, Julie Quinlan, Justin Sisul, Linda Vanacora, Kim Venzon, Kristen Ward, Jayne Yudzentis.

Also in attendance were Jessica Stewart and Tracy Weiner.

#### **Absent**

Karl Berg, Emily Honn, Carin Novak, Marcia Radja (alternate), Bill Riban (alternate), Julie Ryan (alternate), Angie Rybarczyk, Andrew Schmidt, Jason Suchy (alternate), and Barb Svitak.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Kim Venzon moved and Linda Vanacora seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

#### **MCSP Committee Schedule for 2017-2018**

The MCSP Committee 2017-2018 draft schedule of meetings was reviewed. The Board of Education will conduct a self-evaluation in July. After that Board self-evaluation, agenda items for future MCSP Committee meetings will be proposed. The next Committee meeting will be Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. at Longfellow Center. The 2017-2018 meeting schedule will be finalized after the July Board meeting.

#### **Student Well-Being/Social-Emotional Learning (SEL)**

##### **➤ Review Strategic Plan Action Goals and End-of-Year Reports**

Jayne Yudzentis, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel, and Jessica Stewart, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services, gave a brief presentation to the Committee on Social Emotional Learning (SEL) in District 58. Members were provided with Annual Reports outlining the implementation of SEL over the past several years.

The Committee divided into small groups and they were asked to consider the following:

1. What are your overall impressions and reflections?
2. What are the most significant accomplishments of District 58 in this area over the past 8 years?
3. As we begin to organize for our upcoming strategic planning efforts, what needs exist moving forward that may benefit from additional exploration and feedback from stakeholders during the Strategic Planning process?

➤ Discussion of Committee

The Committee returned to one large group and shared their thoughts.

1. What are your overall impressions and reflections?
  - a. Teachers have been appreciative of the slow rollout - seemed well planned out, scaffolded and not rushed.
  - b. To provide social work services at every building on a daily basis would be the ultimate goal.
  - c. This has become a part of who we are and what we do in District 58.
  - d. Teachers do have ownership over this program.
  - e. Classroom meetings are important.
  - f. Students are acknowledging changes on student surveys.
2. What are the most significant accomplishments of this District in this area over the past eight years?
3. As we begin to organize for our upcoming strategic planning efforts, what needs exist moving forward that may benefit from additional exploration and feedback from stakeholders during the Strategic Planning process?
  - a. Consider exploratories in middle schools - adding in support for anxiety and coping strategies. Also consider incorporating digital citizenship at the middle school level.
  - b. How do we support all children - socio-economic, linguistic differences?
  - c. How do we screen students to address underlying issues instead of symptoms?
  - d. Involve parents in data collection. Can parents give information to faculty about their children?

**Reception of Visitors**

No comments were made at this time.

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 a.m.