

ROCORI SCHOOL DISTRICT 750
Work Session School Board Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2018 @ 7:00 PM
Location: ROCORI BOARD ROOM (DISTRICT OFFICE SITE)

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Demuth, Habben, Hesse, Humbert, Schurman, and Wesenberg.

Student Representatives: AnnaMaria Tomovic, Alexa Hennen, Emily Haus, and Grace Sauer

Presenter: Habben, Board Chair

Time: 7:00 PM

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board action to approve the agenda for the meeting is expected.

Time: 7:02 PM

3. STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

This portion of the agenda has been designated to highlight programs and initiatives within the district or to invest extended time to discuss issues of strategic direction.

Time: 7:04 PM

A. ROCORI HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAMS

During the past year, various questions have been raised about the District Health Services program. Many of the questions simply involved logistical issues about who serves at various sites and how are Health Services responsibilities carried out across the District.

Traci Kooimann, School Nurse, is expected to be present to share information about the Health Services program. Traci has served in the role since August, 2004, and has led the Health Services program since that time.

Desired Outcome: School Board member understanding of the Health Services program. Opportunity to interact with School Nurse Kooimann. Clarification of the services offered in the district--both public and parochial.

Recommendation: No formal action is required on this agenda item. This is informational only.

Presenter: School Nurse Kooimann

Time: 20 minutes

B. PRINCIPAL UPDATE

During the course of the year, the principals at the elementary and secondary levels are asked to attend the work session to allow for greater interaction between the School Board and the Administrative team. Secondary administration and elementary administration will rotate on a monthly basis to allow the interaction.

The Elementary principals are scheduled to be at the February meeting. One of the items of information will be a report on the task set for the principals regarding the placement of students and school assignments. After several school assignment appeals in the fall, the issue was referred back to

district administration for review and recommendation.

District Policies 8-2 Balancing Class Sections and 8-3 Class Size Policy are the driving forces behind the placement and school assignment process. As the administrators considered this question, it seemed the notification process and timelines involved were more of a concern than boundaries within the district. The principals have developed a process for the placement and notification which is expected to better address the concerns.

The principals are likely to report on other issues at the elementary level of the district as well.

Desired Outcome: School Board member understanding of the programs at the elementary level.
Opportunity to review the school assignment/placement procedures.

Recommendation: No formal action is required on this agenda item. This is informational only.

Presenter: Elementary Principals

Time: 20 minutes

C. PROGRAM UPDATE

Each month of the year, members of the Administrative Team are scheduled to share information with the School Board. The idea behind the time is to allow each administrator some extended time to offer updates on the programs under their jurisdiction but, more importantly, to outline the strategic plans and directions they are leading their building or program.

Secondary Principal Mark Jenson has been afforded opportunity to share information about the Secondary School Program. The ROCORI Middle School and ROCORI Senior High School have been under Mr. Jenson's jurisdiction since the 2012-2013 school year. As the building finished construction in 2011, Cheryl Schmidt served as Middle School Principal and Mark served as Senior High Principal. Upon Cheryl's retirement, Mark moved into the role of Secondary Principal with responsibility to oversee both sites.

Mark is expected to share his vision for the direction of the Secondary building as his strategic initiative.

Desired Outcome: School Board member understanding of the programs at the Secondary level.
Opportunity to interact with Principal Jenson.

Recommendation: No formal action is required on this agenda item. This is informational only.

Presenter: Mark Jenson, Secondary Principal

Time: 30 minutes

D. FACILITIES AND GROUNDS UPDATE

Several issues have been part of the Facilities and Grounds Committee work. Recently, the Committee reviewed information regarding the Assumption Home with a request to vacate the remainder of 1st Street North along with the preliminary results of a facilities study from Ameresco for energy efficiency purposes. An update from the Facilities and Grounds Committee will be offered.

Desired Outcome: School Board member understanding of the requests and information.

Recommendation: No formal action is required at this time, but consensus on the energy efficiency project is desired.

Time: 10 minutes

E. MSBA CONFERENCE UPDATE

Lynn Schurman, Lisa Demuth and Scott Staska represented ROCORI at the MSBA Annual Conference in Minneapolis in January. The Board members are expected to offer an update to the entire School Board about the issues and sessions of interest from the conference.

Desired Outcome: Information shared with full school board.

Recommendation: This agenda item is informational in nature. No formal action is required.

F. SCHOOL BOARD GOALS

The School Board established goals for the 2017-2018 School Year. As the mid-point of the year has been reached, a review of progress toward the goals is appropriate. Chair Habben has provided a summary of the goals and activities related to the goals for the discussion.

Desired Outcome: Review of the School Board goals for the current year. The intent of the agenda item is to provide an update on progress and seek direction for future School Board meetings.

Recommendation: No formal action is required; this informational in nature.

Presenter: Habben, Chair

Time: 15 minutes

G. SCHOOL BOARD INITIATIVE

At the last meeting, the School Board members shared the results from the StrengthsFinder survey. Each board member highlighted the top five Strengths based on the results of the survey. At this meeting, the desire is to extend the discussion a little further by looking at the strengths of each board member with comparison and contrast of the results. A brief review of the collective results is expected during this discussion.

Desired Outcome: School Board member understanding of individual member strengths. Collaborative understanding of the strengths identified across the group. Begin to consider how the strengths of the members can help to shape the workings of the Board.

Recommendation: No formal action is required on this agenda item. This is informational only.

Presenter: Chair Habben and Superintendent Staska

Time: 15 minutes

4. ADJOURN

Time: 8:45 PM

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