Student Achievement Committee Meeting Minutes 9/22/20

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Welcome

Development of the Vision, Focus and Goals for the Student Achievement Committee:

Laura shared the document which would be presented to the BOE, and reviewed each operating parameter with committee members. We will request Linda Leising's support in recognizing where both the agenda and minutes should be posted on the district website.

Colleen shared a possible focus or mission statement for our committee. It is: The focus of the Student Achievement Committee is to support and improve the growth of our students both academically and emotionally. The Committee is dedicated to review the Strategic Intents of the plan throughout each school year and report back to the full Board of Education on progress made.

As a committee, we agreed to start with social-emotional health as the topic for our October meeting. Colleen will invite several district social workers to attend and present on the topic.

In terms of committee goals, Laura asked if incorporating the four strategic intents to serve as a focus or guide for the meetings would be appropriate. Members of the committee discussed this and agreed that this would be an effective approach for the year. Colleen suggested that we use the term "topics" synonymously with goals.

Laura shared her "Goals" document and stated that under the goals column, we could either list the strategic intents or the strategies from the plan. The importance of including the overall goals of our committee as the strategic intents was agreed upon.

Colleen suggested that the vision of the committee would support the strategic plan recently accepted by the BOE. As a committee, we will address the goals set forth within each strategic intent in the strategic plan.

It was also agreed upon that Goals = Intents.

Laura reinforced that our operating parameters highlight and outline how we will meet, when we will meet, and who will meet. Laura will adjust the Goals document and will share it out with committee members and once approved, will share it with Linda Leising.

Laura shared that she will attempt to include our guiding document at tonight's BOE meeting.

Brainstorm Topics and Guests for Future Meetings:

Committee members discussed whether to have a speaker present at each meeting or at every other meeting. The group chose to leave that open to discussion prior to planning each meeting. Colleen suggested possible guests related to both instruction and social-emotional health. They include Kareem Farah, Jennifer Borgioli, and Dr. Javon Hunter.

Next meeting: Oct. 20th (planning meeting on 10/8)

Guests: District social workers