

## **Restructure Committee**

Meeting Minutes  
January 18, 2012

### **Opening:**

The sixth meeting of the Restructure Committee was called to order at 6:30pm on Jan. 18, 2012 in Black Hawk Middle School Media Center by Dr. Gregg Klinginsmith.

### **Present:**

John Clinger, Travis Arndt, Beth Luecke, Wendy Guss, Erin Waters, Karen Gregory, Don Hodgson, John Cornell, Mark Winter, Debbie Current, Jennifer Grooms, Holly Faerber, Randy Cordell, Lori Wenzel, Christina Cosgrove, Tammy Reagan, Patty Russell, Lucy Swailes, Ron Greer, Heather Cox, Jamie McCulloch, Katie McDowell, Nancy Cobb, Elizabeth Swoboda, Shelby Bailey, Dr. Carrie Schwierjohn, Mrs. Bobbie Russell, Dr. Jill Schowe, Mrs. Jill Lawson, Dr. Tom Muzzy, Dr. Gregg Klinginsmith, Bill Hawley, Scott Costello

### **A. Focus**

The focus of the meeting was to debrief the survey results, cost, and make our recommendation.

- Cost Of Retrofitting – K-1, 2-5
  - Daniel Boone - \$0
  - Warrior Ridge and Rebecca Boone = \$5,000
  - Incidental = \$1,000
  - Total = \$6,000
- Curriculum Cost K-1, 2-5
  - Music = \$25,000 – streamline current curriculum
  - Art = \$2,500
  - PE = \$10,000
  - Library = \$10,000 – additional titles of award winning books
  - Technology= \$0
  - Total = \$47,500
- Extra Cost K-1, 2-5
  - Demographer \$20,000
  - \$10,000 for moving
  - \$10,000 Contingency fund
  - Total = \$40,000
- Total Cost Of Retrofitting K-1, 2-5
  - Curriculum = \$47,000
  - Construction = \$6,000
  - Extra = \$40,000
  - Total cost of retrofitting = \$93,500
- Cost Of Retrofitting – K-5
  - Daniel Boone - \$16,000
  - Warrior Ridge and Rebecca Boone = \$27,000
  - Incidental = \$7,000
  - Total = \$50,000

- Curriculum Cost K-5
  - Music = \$50,000 – streamline current curriculum
  - Art = \$2,500
  - PE = \$25,000
  - Library = \$20,000 – additional titles of award winning books
  - Technology= \$30,000 – second computer lab at Daniel Boone
  - Total = \$130,000
  
- Extra Cost K-5
  - Demographer \$20,000
  - \$25,000 for moving
  - \$25,000 Contingency fund
  - Total = \$70,000
  
- Total Cost Of Retrofitting: K-5
  - Curriculum = \$130,000
  - Construction = \$50,000
  - Extra = \$70,000
  - Total cost of retrofitting = \$250,000
  
- The Survey –
  - 2,004 surveys were e-mailed to parents (87.5% of all students)  
545 responded
  - 250 surveys were mailed to families who did not have an e-mail address on file  
32 responded
  - 462 surveys were e-mailed to staff- this included all district employees  
272 responded
  
- Survey Questions
  - Question 1. What grade combination do you feel best meets students' educational needs?
  - Question 2. What grade combination would increase parent involvement?
  - Question 3. What grade combination would increase communication between the school and home?
  - Question 4. What grade combination would increase relationships between students, staff, parents, and community?
  
- Results of Staff Survey – All staff =
  - Question 1– K-5 =54.6%, K-1, 2-5 = 27.3%, K-1, 2-3, 4-5= 18.1%
  - Question 2 - K-5 =63.8%, K-1, 2-5 = 20.7%, K-1, 2-3, 4-5= 15.5%
  - Question 3 - K-5 =61.5%, K-1, 2-5 = 20.4%, K-1, 2-3, 4-5= 18.1%
  - Question 4 - K-5 =60.1%, K-1, 2-5 = 21.8%, K-1, 2-3, 4-5= 18.1%
  
- Results of Parent Survey
  - Question 1– K-5 =39.5%, K-1, 2-5 = 16.9%, K-1, 2-3, 4-5= 43.6%
  - Question 2 - K-5 =44.3%, K-1, 2-5 = 16.3%, K-1, 2-3, 4-5= 39.4%
  - Question 3 - K-5 =43.8%, K-1, 2-5 = 16.0%, K-1, 2-3, 4-5= 40.2%
  - Question 4 - K-5 =42.9%, K-1, 2-5 = 15.2%, K-1, 2-3, 4-5= 41.9%

## **B. New Information**

New information was obtained from DESE.

- Dr. Muzzey, Dr. Klinginsmith, and Mrs. Lawson meet with DESE – Dec. 19, 2011
- DESE sent a letter summarizing the meeting and the option that would allow the district to remain in compliance with federal law and guidance.
- Option 1 and 2 – Do not reconfigure buildings, K-1 (2) 2-5: both options require a percentage of staff to be replaced.
- Option 3 – Change all elementary buildings to K-5 – based on DESE’s review of federal law and guidance, this option would allow compliance without replacement of staff.

## **C. Objective**

The objective was to vote on a recommendation that would be presented to the Board of Education on Jan. 19, 2012.

- Vote to be done by, show of hands or ballad vote
- Mark Winter made a motion for Ballad vote –all agreed
- Ballad votes were cast and counted by Dr. Klinginsmith and Karen Gregory – Committee Co – Chairs
- Results- 31 ballads – *K-5 = 29, K-1, 2-5= 0, no change = 1, abstain = 1*
- Recommendation to the school board – Three K-5 buildings

## **D. Recommendation**

- Findings for Board of Education
  - Why the committee was formed
  - Break down of each meeting
  - Criteria established
  - Latest Survey Data
  - DESE Letter
  - Recommendation from committee 29 for K-5, 0 for K-1, 2-5, 1 for stay the same, 1 Abstain

### **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm by Dr. Muzzey. The Board of Education meeting is at 6:30pm on January 19, 2012 in Black Hawk Middle School Media Center.

Minutes submitted by: Tammy Reagan

Approved by: Dr. Gregg Klinginsmith