

SCN Meeting Minutes - Sept 17, 2019

Election of SCN Roles:

- Stephanie Horak - President
- Erica Weeklund - Secretary

Dr. Remy - Strategic Plan Update and Open Forum:

Student Readiness Indicators for Post-Secondary Readiness

- Visit wdmcs.org for details. All building administrators can share their goals that are aligned to this work.

- Three Indicators for Readiness Buckets:

- Each Student Ready for Postsecondary Learning
- Each Student Ready for Careers
- Each Student Ready for Life - still looking to add data pieces to this bucket

- Dr. Remy provided an overview of 18-19 data

- 38.4% of 7-12 graders are of low socio-economic status. This number continues to grow, as do ESOL and IEP populations
- 644 graduates in class of 2019
- 90% are ready for post-secondary based on academic indicators
- 77% are ready based on academic indicators OR standardized testing benchmarks. This year's senior class (class of 2020) is currently at 82%.

Open Forum

Parent question about the Canvas roll-out

- Has been a learning process for administrators and staff
- All day-to-day grading will be done in Canvas, but later recorded in Infinite Campus to satisfy state requirements
- Additional learning opps to learn about Canvas for parents are coming up
- Email to parents going out 9/18 for parents of grades 7-12

Parent concern over the availability of a la carte items (fruit snacks, goldfish, etc) at elementary schools

- Dr. Remy will follow up with Willow Dye, Director of Nutrition

Master Facilities Plan Update

Board approved Option D at July 8 meeting - details available at wdmcs.org

- 8 elementary buildings housing Pre-K through 5th
- Indian Hills and Stilwell will house 6/7
- Addition to VSW to house 8/9
- WCC remains as is (grades 9-12)
- VHS remains as is (grades 10-12)

- Predesign work will begin this school year on improving learning environments at ST and IH
- 2024-25 school year is goal for new structure throughout the district
- Stakeholder groups will be assembled for 6-9 group in particular as design work starts for new version of VSW

Parent question and discussion about how high school is set up (why one building for 9 and one for 10-12, instead of two schools, and availability of classes to ninth graders)

Parent question about how sports teams work in our district - when can they start, etc?

2020-21 School Calendar Options

Dr. Seid presented two options, with discussion following.

- Student class time is based on instructional hours - teachers are contracted for days, which can result in different calendar for them
- First day we can start school by law is Aug 23 - that is a Sunday in 2020.
- Options presented revolved around start day of Monday (Aug. 24) vs Wednesday (Aug. 26)

Feedback on New Online Enrollment Process

- Parents provided ideas to improve and noted “wins.”
- This year will be most time-intensive for parents. Future years will require only updating of information, not new registration.

New Process for Parent Groups Working With Vendors

- District-Sponsored Groups will need to complete an annual agreement with the district to follow brand guidelines and affiliated licensing agreement
- Vendors will register with the district annually and agree to follow brand guidelines
- This is a districtwide process and standard. This is not about limiting the vendors you can work with.
- Letterman Creative is the vendor of record for the district
- ALL projects need to go through process - including race days, choir shirts, etc even if it doesn't have district branding
- SCR would like to see the final proof, not just the draft design
- Send to scroffice@wdmcs.org
- Info will go out to SCN and to staff and we should distribute

Requests for future topics

- Effective grading
- Nutrition