

Community Partnership Committee Meeting

District Office

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November 9, 2016, 4:30 PM

1. Introductions were made. Two new members attended: Matt Poinsette, a parent and community member and Ann Randall, a parent of a former student, former WEA representative and community member. The remaining committee members attending are: Beth Worthington, Bruce Christen, Joe Powers, Jenn Markaryan, Amy Hollingsworth, Sheila Fagen-Turnkey, Theresa Holland-Schmidt, and Glen Robbins.

Members absent: Kim Eimers and Brenda Ward

2. Leadership of meeting is rotating and Joe Powers led the meeting.
3. Performed a round table discussion of potential script development and messages.
 - a. Joe Powers presented his work around building on the 3 R's (reading, writing, and arithmetic) plus the 3 T's (thinking, teamwork, technology). It was agreed that the visuals/graphics for how our economy and skills needed has changed. The major themes are good and should be used in the community presentations. Question for the presentation: How do we use technology differently to move us along as a community?
 - b. Beth Worthington presented work around the laser focus needed on the Local Education Authority (our district). The text was too lengthy, but a couple key sections resonated and should be added to the existing script. Points to implement: the current educational system does not work for some children. Tomorrow's and today's economy is not able to survive (thrive) with some people not finding a valued place.
 - c. Bruce Christen presented on the concept of success for all kids not just the ones we know. Success for ALL kids:
 - i. The world has changed.
 - ii. All kids are different.
 - iii. All kids can succeed.

Finally, the word that has been frequently expressed by committee members and others regarding schools is LOVE. "LOVE" our schools. Love is acceptance and growth. Growth is change for the better. Allow students to grow and that leads to self-acceptance and personal growth. EMPOWERMENT results from growth and acceptance.

Question for the presentation: What are the hopes and dreams for your/our children in our school district?

4. Jenn Markaryan agreed to lead the next meeting.
5. December 14, 2016 is the next meeting and will continue with the agenda items not discussed at this meeting.