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Governing Council Meeting
July 31, 2021
Board Retreat

Present: Jill Johnson, Ginni Block, Joe White, Sarah Haynes, Gayle Moraski, Robert Peterson, Hilary Paden, Bill Hallam

Absence: Melony Brady-Shanley, Susan O'Rourke, Lori Noto

Call to order by Ginni Block at 8:10 am.

- **Annual Fire and Crisis Log**
 - Board reviewed the Fire Drill and Crisis Log for the year and Ginni Block signed off on it.
- **Attendance/Chronic Absentee Update**
 - End of the school year, 32.5% Chronic Absenteeism
 - Teachers and staff spent in absorbent amount of work and time with attendance concerns
 - Discipline rate super low
- **Officers**
 - Board Officers were voted on per nominations of the June meeting. All were in favor.
- **Bylaws**
 - Bylaws were reviewed and edited. Gayle Moraski motioned to accept the bylaws. Ginni Block seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Policies**
 - Policy 4152.3/4252.3 Personnel Certified and Non Certified Leaves
 - Discussion held on policy. Ginni Block motioned to accept the policy. Robert Peterson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Policy 3541.44 Transportation, Use of Private Automobile
 - Ginni Block motioned to accept the policy. Robert Peterson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Discussion held to explore dash cams for the school vans
 - Policy 4123 Personnel - Interns
 - Ginni Block motioned to accept the policy. Bill Hallam seconded. Motion passed unanimously
- **Reopening Plan**
 - Still waiting guidance from the state re latest opening plan
 - Remote learning for the 2022-2023 school year may be going through the state
 - Local school superintendents to meet and brainstorm a regional program.
 - Health and safety provisions used in the past, will continued to be used for the upcoming school year
 - At this time, all students will be coming back at the same time. No cohorts
- **Staff Update**
 - Jennifer Robinson has been hired as one of our new special education teachers.
 - Romana Frost has been hired for a new position of Family Outreach. She will be administering social work during the day and family outreach after school hours.
- **Other**
 - Every three years, school is up for renewal. This is a renewal year. Site visit from the State will be January 19th, snow date of January 20th.
 - Public Hearing to be held at a town office building in February.
 - Board will be creating subcommittees: Executive Director/Principal evaluations and Board Goals
 - Next Board Retreat will be in February 2022
- **Thank you to all the staff for their flexibility and hard work in this chaotic time. You are truly appreciated.**

Robert Peterson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ginni Block seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Next Meeting:

August 24, 2021 @ 5:30 pm