

WBWF Committee Minutes
January 28, 2020
District Conference Room
3:30 p.m.

Members in Attendance: Ron Paulsen, Scott Hansen, Nancy Trehey, Ann Schultz, Tim Wege, Greg Johnson, and Amy Notch

I. Discussion of 2020-2021 School Calendar

The committee considered the board's identified concern regarding the start of winter break for the 20-21 school year. After a summary of discussions with members from multiple stakeholder groups, the committee recommended leaving the calendar as is. The first day of winter break for the 20-21 school year will be December 24th.

II. Discussion of preliminary 2021-2022 School Calendar

The calendar was edited to reflect 21-22 holidays. An early out in April was moved to May to create more flexibility in the testing schedule for state standardized tests.

III. Strategic Planning

Superintendent Johnson asked the committee if there were any questions regarding strategic planning as all members in attendance has recently been at meetings where updates had been provided. There were none. The district will move ahead with strategic planning this spring using the services of Big River Group.

IV. Personalized Learning Updates

Director Notch shared updates regarding the Personalized Learning Professional Development Cohort. Teachers will be receiving an email on Wednesday, January 29th, with an outline of the plan and expectations. The email will also include a link to a Google Form that provides them the opportunity of opting into the professional development.

V. Curriculum Updates

A. Fine Arts Purchase

The Visual Arts team now has document cameras for all five art rooms within the district. They also added 25 Canon EOS Rebel T7 cameras to the high school, and then moved the existing cameras to the elementary programs. Six pottery wheels, an additional kiln, and other supplies were added for student work in the area of pottery.

B. Elementary Math Resources

A PK-5 committee will meet in early February to choose resources for potentially piloting this spring in classrooms.

VI. Assessment Updates

A. MCA Dates

Director Notch shared MCA dates and plans with the committee. Detailed testing schedules should be posted to the website and shared with staff by the end of January.

B. ACT Registration

There are 105 juniors registered to take the ACT at Albany Area High School on March 24th, 2020.

VII. Portrait of a Graduate

Superintendent Johnson shared recent work by the administrative team regarding the district's Portrait of a Graduate.