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**Communications Subcommittee Report**

Date: August 20, 2010

Committee: Communications

Chair: Jane Blais

Meeting Dates: August 19, 2010

Members Present: Jane Blais, Kristen Dorsey, and Shannon Welsh

Agenda Items and Discussion:

**Board Retreat Communications Review:**

The committee reviewed communications related discussions from the Board retreat. In an effort to provide better access to official communications, a notice will be developed to provide a mechanism for community members to “opt-in” to items such as Delivering on the Mission. The notice will be posted on the website, broadcast on cable TV and sent to the Forecaster, Durham newsletter, and other publications. Discussions also occurred about publishing a hardcopy of Delivering on the Mission to families at Open House to ensure people are aware of this district level newsletter.

Communications items related to the Strategic Framework were also discussed. The committee will help to organize an annual “State of the Schools” forum with facilitation of small group discussions about the financial and performance results. It will follow a format similar to last year’s initial forum in September. The planning for this will occur later in the year.

**Chair:**

Jane Blais was elected Chair of the Communications Committee

Next Meeting: September 2, 2010

Press release recommended? Not at this time

Submitted by: Shannon L. Welsh