

FCS Meeting

January 25th, 2023

Present: Rene, Sully, Jackie, Tammy, Catie, Lucy

Minutes for the January 9th meetings were approved.

We set our next meeting Wednesday, February 22nd at 4:30

Dr. Corneille (Rene) gave us an update on the fiscal balance and how that works with the school district. In particular she raised the question of the current balance and the yet unspent funds for previous expenses. **We clarified as a board that we would be paying our full share of the \$80,000 for the mental health coordinator in fiscal 22-23.**

Rene shared that the school board would be sending Leah Sly as the new board rep.

We discussed how Random Moments and LCTS funds work. Jackie will talk to Ed, the county representative for this work to help us better understand how this works.

Rene shared that the school is looking at the possibility of becoming a full-service community school that would help provide more services for the system. This would include building out a physical part of the school.

Tammy shared an updated from CAP about the integrated fund and that they see board participation as an in-kind contribution rather than the making fiscal contributions. This is how it works for all our board members who are assigned from different groups. We will continue to record who is present at meetings in order to track the contributions of our different groups in order to be able to meet the integrated fund requirements.

Catie gave an update on the RFP (request for proposal). Jackie suggested that we work to make the language more neutral. Lucy suggested that we shorten the RFP to make it more accessible to potential applicants. In particular, we should highlight the outcomes, values, and expectations. We talked about what we wanted to spend on the RFP and identified three questions we have 1) Is this admin work 2) How much money have we spent in the past on admin work and 3) Can we spend prior funds on admin costs for this year. Jackie will talk to one of the people at the county to try and answer some of these questions. Lucy will take another look at the RFP to clean it up.

Lucy brought a proposal request from Community Services to create a mental health information series for parents in St. Anthony. (see below) The total request would be \$6,400 from Family Services Collaborative. Lucy said that the events would all take place this spring so the costs would all be spent this year. Some of the things that might add to the costs (but covered in the overall proposal) would be food, childcare, and technology to make it more accessible. Jeff shared that he is supportive of it. Jackie added that she was supportive of it but added she wanted to see more on how they are adding cultural competency to the overall plan. Catie shared her concerns about funding proposals because we have not done as much to open up the process. Lucy and Tammy both shared they felt we do need to start funding something rather than sitting on our funds as we work to get more transparent and open to the community. There was general consensus on spending the money but Catie continued to express reluctance on spending funds without a clear process for how proposals are handled. The meeting adjourned