



School Naming Committee Meeting Minutes 11/1/2022

Committee Members Present: Maxine Drew, Steve Lilly, Rachel Russell

Notes taken by Dawn Downing

Welcome

- The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Rachel Russell.

Committee Discussion:

Inadvertently, the agenda and information for today's current meeting was not sent out beforehand for committee members to review.

Recap-Originally, there were 7 schools suggested for renaming (school name or mascot) with some to be addressed immediately and others recommended for later discussion and consideration in subsequent years. The Board of Education addressed 2 of these schools during the 2021- 22 school year.

The committee engaged in conversation regarding what information they felt was needed to obtain/review in order to determine how to move forward-

- Community Comments regarding name/mascot changes
 - What is involved (the process) for a name change at the high school level
 - Historical context regarding the naming of the following elementary schools- Mark Twain, Lindbergh, and Frances Willard (not originally on the list but is a community request)
- Action items before the next meeting-
 - Ms. Russell agreed to resend the minutes from the last meeting (11/4/2021) for the group to review
 - Ms. Russell will follow up with Leslie Smith to gather any community comments for name changes received in the last year
 - Mr. Lilly will work with Dr. Bilbo-Ervin to provide the committee with an understanding of what it means and what's involved in renaming high schools
 - Mr. Lilly will work with staff to provide historical context regarding the naming of the 3 current elementary schools for consideration
 - Dawn Downing will send out a poll to the committee to find a date in January 2023 to reconvene. to make recommendation or present findings to the full board.

- **Summary**

The tentative game plan is for this committee to reconvene in January 2023 to review and discuss the information being gathered. After review, the committee will determine a plan of action (or no action) they'd like to pursue. This recommendation will be made to the full board at the 1st or 2nd February 2023 board meeting.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 2:21 p.m.