



COLUMBIA HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Independent School District 13
Columbia Heights, Minnesota
MINUTES FROM WORK SESSION OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday, October 17, 2023
5:36 PM

Members present: Ms. Granlund, Ms. Houle, Ms. Medearis, Ms. Mueller, Ms. Palmer, Ms. Pettway and Superintendent Stenvik

Members absent: None

Administration present: Executive Director of Educational Services, Bondo Nyembwe and Director of Finance and Operations, Bryan Hennekens

1. School Resource Officer Contract

Columbia Heights Police Captain Matt Markham presented information on School Resource Officers contract. The City of Columbia Heights did not renew the SRO contract with the School District. A Youth Outreach Officer is a new position within the Police Department that will have an office located in city side of the Hylander Center.

2. Treasurer Report

The MSBA- Responsibilities of the School Board Information was referenced along with Policy 123B.77 ACCOUNTING, BUDGETING, AND REPORTING REQUIREMENT and 123B.14 OFFICERS IN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS. The Board asks are a collective ask from the entire Board. The main expectation of a timely review.

3. School Board Equity Goals

Draft of Columbia Heights Public Schools, School Board Goals 2023-2024

1. As the current Strategic Roadmap sunsets in 2024, the Board values input from a multitude of diverse perspectives on the direction of Columbia Heights Public Schools. The Board will develop an inclusive strategic planning process that incorporates equity-minded and measurable goals into a new strategic plan for Columbia Heights Public Schools.
2. The Board will continue to advance visibility and two-way communication with our community, and will place particular emphasis on connecting with multilingual families. The Board will engage in intentional outreach and provide ongoing communication to newcomer families and the families of multilingual learners.
3. The Board aims to grow in learning and discussion of topics that impact student success. The Board will identify opportunities for relevant and timely Board member development that align with the professional development of district staff.

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4. **Other** –

Robotics team looking for volunteers skilled in coding and 3D modeling.

Trunk or Treat October 28th Board will be handing out pencils.

Look ahead to the January organizational meeting for roles on the board.

Adjourn 7:49 p.m.

Date minutes approved

Mary Granlund, Clerk, Board of Education
Independent School District 13

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