

Programs & Services (Thursday, March 25, 2021)

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Members present: Barry O'Connor, Deborah Truymen, Kristine Sauter

Meeting called to order at 7:45 AM

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With respect to the gravity of the current public health emergency, we have made every effort to streamline this meeting as much as possible while still focusing on items that are essential to the current and future operations of the District. As such, there will be no opportunity for public comments this morning. If you have comments you wish to share with the Committee, you are welcome to submit them in writing. Comments can be submitted to Donna Goetzke at goetzkedonna@aasd.k12.wi.us (preferred) or mailed to 131 E. Washington Street, Suite 1A, Appleton, WI, 54911. All written comments submitted will be distributed to all Programs & Services committee members. We appreciate your understanding during this unprecedented time.

Minutes from Programs & Services Meeting on February 25, 2021

Motion to approve the minutes. Motion by Kristine Sauter, second by Deborah Truymen. Final Resolution: Motion Carried. Aye: Barry O'Connor, Deborah Truymen, Kristine Sauter

Fox Cities Leadership Academy Five-Year Contract Renewal

The Fox Cities Leadership Academy (FCLA) contract revisions were shared along with their accomplishments and the progress made on the charter school goals included in the contract previously approved in 2016. The revised contract clearly defines the FCLA educational program, the structure and role of the FCLA governance board, the methods that will be used to measure student progress, recruitment and admission of students, and parental involvement. It was noted that FCLA's success can be found in the collaboration and unified vision that is shared by students, staff and community partners. The FCLA staff and supportive community are dedicated to the FCLA mission of empowering students to find their passion through collaboration, innovation, and exploration. There are currently 78 students enrolled at FCLA.

Motion to approve the Fox Cities Leadership Academy five-year contract renewal. Motion by Deborah Truymen, second by Kristine Sauter. Final Resolution: Motion Carried. Aye: Barry O'Connor, Deborah Truymen, Kristine Sauter

Deb Truymen left the meeting at 9:00 AM

Stephen Foster Elementary Charter School Five-Year Contract Renewal

The Foster Elementary charter contract revisions were shared along with their accomplishments and the progress made on the charter school goals included in the contract previously approved in 2016. The revised contract clearly defines Foster's educational program, the structure and role of the Foster governance board, the methods that will be used to measure student progress, recruitment and admission of students, and parental involvement. Foster is unique to traditional elementary schools in that its focus is to promote the growth of future global leaders by embedding the importance of leadership and the qualities of future leaders in all aspects of its programming and culture. There are currently 300 students enrolled at Foster.

Motion to approve the Stephen Foster Elementary Charter School five-year contract renewal. Motion by Kristine Sauter, second by Barry O'Connor. Final Resolution: Motion Carried. Aye: Barry O'Connor, Kristine Sauter.
Not Present at Vote: Deborah Truymen

School Wellness Policy Evaluation Tool: Action for Healthy Kids School Health Index Report

In order to be compliant with the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act Public Law 111-296, the District is required to evaluate the wellness policy implementation and compliance at each early childhood through high school site. Per the District's School Wellness Policy 458, each site must complete an assessment tool (Action for Healthy Kids) based on the School Health Index (SHI) that generates a school wellness report on the status of the site's level of compliance and implementation. The purpose of the assessment is for schools to identify the strengths and weaknesses of their health and safety policies and programs, and develop action plans for improving student health. The SHI is an easy to use, confidential online self-evaluation and planning tool for schools and is built on the CDC's research-based guidelines for school health programs that identify the policies and practices mostly likely to be effective in reducing youth health risk behaviors.

The AASD's 2019-20 Annual Wellness Report was presented. It was noted that the AASD's score of 89.21% falls in the category

of Excellent and is up 2.58% from 86.63% in 2018-19. The AASD's score also exceeds the state average in all SHI categories. This annual report is shared with the Wellness Committee, the School Board, the Superintendent, staff, parents, students, and community members. It was noted that the AASD promotes healthy schools and a whole child approach by supporting wellness, good nutrition, and regular physical activity as part of the total learning environment.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM

Future Meetings & Topics

April 15: Classical Contract Renewal; Summer School Courses

April 29: no topics