

Board Meeting Highlights

Special Meeting

June 15, 2011

At a special meeting on June 15, 2011, the Board of Education of Pleasantdale School District 107...

District 2011-12 Goal Discussion:

Heard from Board President Leandra Sedlack who introduced Teresa Arpin to facilitate the District goal setting meeting for the 2011-12 school year. The Board reviewed the outcomes of the meeting, protocols, and mission. The Board reviewed the core values of the district and then broke off into small groups to discuss how the district is performing in relation to core values and identifying potential topics for goals.

The following draft goals were created by the Board:

1. Implement Skyward Software to begin the 2011-12 school year.
 - Communicate information to parents regarding the Skyward Family Access
 - Attendance, state reports, demographics, and grade books are up and running to start the year.
 - Implement middle school Skyward Family Access
 - Middle school parents report they are adequately supported to utilize Skyward Family Access for obtaining information about their children.
 - Implement elementary school Skyward Family Access
 - Elementary school parents report they are adequately supported to utilize Skyward Family Access for obtaining information about their children.
 - Gather and use parent feedback
2. Implement new assessments and report cards grades K-8.
 - All teachers implement new common assessments in all subjects and grade levels.
 - New report cards are implemented in all grade levels and subjects.
 - Communicate necessary information to parents on new assessments and report cards. (more specific dates and how it will be communicated, timelines)
 - Parents report that they understand the new assessments, scoring and reporting
 - Parents report that they understand the academic and social skills information provided on the new report cards
3. Educate students, parents and staff members on methods to reduce bullying including cyber bullying with the ultimate goal of reducing bullying-related incidents in 2011-12.
 - Internet safety/cyber bullying parent night is held in fall.
 - Speaker(s) are utilized to educate students and staff members on bullying prevention strategies.
 - The number of level II and III behavior infractions are reduced from 2010-11 to 2011-12.
 - Market our anti-bullying campaign
4. Clarify, enhance and commit to Pleasantdale community communication methodologies.
 - Re-establish Communication Committee to review current communication procedures.
 - Review past practices and assess communication goal items that were proposed to the Board regarding but not limited to: videotaping, highlights, minutes, and items on the pro forma agenda
 - Communicate the District goals to the community
5. Clarify and commit to Board operations, roles, responsibilities, and protocols.
 - Board members and superintendent articulate a common understanding of communication protocols for both internal and external communication.
 - Board members and superintendent commit to following protocols.
 - Presence of legal counsel at each Board meeting
 - Confidential information would not be breached. That the Board understands and commits to the basic protocols regarding confidentiality.

- Consequences for violating the Boards' own protocols are understood by all members.
- Individual Board members do not take individual actions that diminish the Board as a whole

Other areas to consider for goals: finance, citizenship, facilities, academic goals for the early childhood and kindergarten students; and review of kindergarten and early childhood curriculum.

The Board is scheduled to discuss goals at the July Board meeting with final approval scheduled for the August Board meeting.

Adjournment

Adjourned the special meeting at 7:34 p.m.