

PARENT UPDATE

A Summary of a Recent Meeting of the District-Wide Parent Committee

November 13, 2018

Call to Order/Welcome

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Hintgen Elementary, LMC.

Attendance

Central High School: Not represented
LaCrossroads: Not represented
Logan High School: Brenda Leahy
Lincoln Middle School: Laura Olson
Logan Middle School: Not represented
Longfellow Middle School: Lori Potkay
LaCrosse Design Institute: Not represented
SOTA II: Kyle Backstrand
Coulee Montessori Elementary: Nell Saunders-Scott
Coulee Montessori Adolescent: Not represented
Emerson: Not represented
Northside Elementary: Gretchen Knudson-Stuhr
Hamilton: Not represented
Hintgen: Cassandra Torres
North Woods International: Calison Weiss
Southern Bluffs: Jaclyn Osley, Alicia Place
SOTA I: Doris Fauchoux
Spence: Pam Hansen

State Road: Tammy Wills
Summit: Not represented
Members at Large: Suzie Pence,
Trista Treglowne (excused)
BOE Liaison: Dawn Comeau (excused)
Tom Thompson (excused)
LEA Liaison: Tabatha Veum (excused)
Superintendent Randy Nelson
Executive Director of Business Services
Patty Sprang
Associate Superintendent/Instruction
Troy Harcey
Director of Elementary Education Todd Antony
Director of Secondary Education
Stacey Everson
La Crosse Public Education Foundation Executive
Director David Stoeffler
Visitors: Hintgen Elementary Principal Amy Oliver
GoRiteway Operations Manager Michael Wohlfert
Energy & Transportation Manager Michael Freybler
La Crosse County Health Educator Judi Zabel

School Site Plan and Showcase

Hintgen Elementary Principal Amy Oliver presented Hintgen's School Improvement Plan. The plan is developed through input from the building leadership team, PBIS Tier 1 and 2 and all staff. The Franke Foundation has awarded a grant in the amount of \$50,000 to help pay for a Neighborhood Outreach Coordinator. In addition, the Department of Public Instruction has awarded Hintgen the *Trauma Sensitive Schools* grant in the amount of \$50,000.

GoRiteway: Here Comes the Bus

GoRiteway Operations Manager Michael Wohlfert and the district's Energy and Transportation Manager Michael Freybler presented a transportation update. The new app *Here Comes the Bus* is piloted at Southern Bluffs Elementary and assists parents in monitoring the busses' location. This new app is tentatively planned to roll out to all other schools by the second semester. GoRiteway and the district are working with the city to locate different areas that need safe transportation.

Teen Vaping

La Crosse County Health Educator Judi Zabel presented information regarding teen vaping. She noted that e-cigarettes have quadrupled in use due to the many flavors and colors available. Juul: Pods uses a USB charger that makes it easy to disguise and is inexpensive. It provides low emissions and is easy to use. She noted that poison control rates have increased due to students drinking the liquid for vaping. Students in the fourth grade are experiencing with these products and finding it easy to purchase online. More information on the products and resources on how to talk to your children about vaping can be found online at tobaccochanging.com

La Crosse Public Education Foundation

Executive Director the La Crosse Public Education Foundation David Stoeffler distributed copies of the current newsletter and noted that grant awards will be announced December 4.

Future Agenda Items

- March 19: Online Safety: Justin Patchin
- Legislative Update (Begin in January)
- Equity (October-May agendas)
- Board Linkage (April agenda)
- Trauma-Informed (Resilience)
- YRBS (vaping)
- Transportation
- School Safety
- Grant, New Systems
- High Schools (backpacks, etc.)
- PTO Best Practices
- One-to-One Devices
- Year-Round School Update
- AVID Update – Troy McDonald
- PTO Calendar/Fundraising Dates
- Special Education Supervisor Update
- Meet the Administration Night
- High School Future Centers
- RTI - Early intervention
- iTunesU (What platforms are we using?)
- Teacher Evaluation
- Ways to reinstate training for parents to be able to help teachers with reading tests
- Budget updates; legislative updates; innovative programs, clubs, projects in district
- Dealing with bullying amongst friends
- Link to help parents learn how to help child (student) with homework – see more of what students are doing in schools, projects, etc.
- Early intervention (preschool and curriculum focus); Special Education (programs, referral process, etc.)

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING IS TUESDAY, December 11, 2018, North Woods International, LMC