

## ***PARENT UPDATE***

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

April 9, 2019

#### **Call to Order/Welcome**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Logan High School, 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: Jeff Murphy  
LaCrosse Design Institute: Not represented  
SOTA II: Kyle Backstrand  
Coulee Montessori Elementary: Neil Saunders-Scott  
Coulee Montessori Adolescent:  
    Nathan Warnberg  
Emerson: Jeremiah Galvan, Steve Woodward  
Northside Elementary:  
    Gretchen Knudson-Stuhr  
Hamilton: Not represented  
Hintgen: Not represented  
North Woods International: Calison Weiss  
Southern Bluffs: Alicia Place  
SOTA I: Not represented  
Spence: Not represented  
State Road: Jed Olson

Summit: Barbara Jo Wolff  
Members at Large: Suzie Pence (excused)  
    Trista Treglowne (excused)  
BOE Liaison: Dawn Comeau  
    Tom Thompson (excused)  
LEA Liaison: Tabatha Veum (excused)  
Superintendent Randy Nelson  
Executive Director of Business Services  
    Patty Sprang (excused)  
Associate Superintendent/Instruction  
    Troy Harcey (excused)  
Director of Elementary Education  
    Todd Antony (excused)  
Director of Secondary Education  
    Stacey Everson (excused)  
La Crosse Public Education Foundation Executive  
    Director David Stoeffler  
Visitors:  
    Keonte Turner, Board of Education Member  
    Director of Community Services Curt Teff  
    Logan High School Teachers  
    Andrea Kramer, Anika Paarensdano, Emily Montz  
    Supervisor of School Nutrition Programs Lyn Halvorson  
    Wellness Coordinator Brianna Ring

#### **School Showcase – Logan High School**

Logan High School teachers Anika Paarensdano, Andrea Kramer and Emily Montz provided information about a new program the school is using entitled Read 180. The program by Scholastic focuses on helping students improve their literacy skills. The staff and students are enthusiastic about the program.

#### **La Crosse Public Education Foundation**

La Crosse Public Education Foundation Executive Director David Stoeffler reminded the committee of the upcoming Thank A Teacher Day May 7. A sign up sheet was distributed encouraging parents to volunteer on that day.

#### **Board of Education Linkage**

Three questions from the Board were sent to the District Wide Parent committee members for consideration prior to the meeting. Board members Dawn Comeau and Keonte Turner facilitated the annual linkage.

#### **Student Wellness Policy (4580)**

Supervisor of School Nutrition Programs Lyn Halvorson and Wellness Coordinator Brianna Ring provided information and requested feedback from the committee on the Student Wellness Policy.

#### **Rights, Rules and Responsibilities**

Director of Community Services Curt Teff shared a draft of the 2019-20 Student Rights and Responsibilities handbook.

**Next District Wide Parent Meeting**

The next District Wide Parent meeting on May 14, 2019 will be held at Logan High School in the Weiss Theater. Dr. Justin Patchin will present on teen technology use and misuse. A flyer will be distributed ahead of time encouraging all parents to attend.

**Future Agenda Items**

- Legislative Update (Begin in January)
- Equity (October-May agendas)
- Board Linkage (April agenda)
- Trauma-Informed (Resilience)
- 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, Tuesday, May 14, 2019, Logan High School, Weiss Theater**