

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
525 SUNSET RIDGE ROAD
NORTHFIELD, ILLINOIS 60093
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 10, 2019
5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

ROLL CALL: (6:01) p.m.

Mrs. Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and upon roll call, the following were present:

Present: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson
Absent: None
Also Present: Dr. Greene, Mrs. Styczen, Dr. Sukenik, Ms. Dunham,
Mr. Spaan, Mr. Subeck, Dr. Stange, Mrs. Bell, Mrs.
Baker, Mrs. Pick, Mrs. Widdes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2.1 Education Committee Meeting – May 14, 2019

Mr. Detlefsen moved to approve the minutes from May 14, 2019 and Mr. Hayes seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PRESENTATIONS:

3.1 Strategic Plan Updates:

Dr. Stange introduced the annual assessment presentation to the Education Committee, the summation of a larger Board report encompassing data from five different sources. He included reminders that data points are just snapshots, small sample sizes must be considered before drawing conclusions, and more often than not, data fuels additional questions for investigation.

The presentation highlighted the following:

1. The Illinois 5Essential Survey for Middlefork School and Sunset Ridge Schools: Principals are charged with digging deeper into the data to develop actionable improvement areas. Parental feedback was also provided and positive across the board.
2. The New Trier Freshman Survey: This annual survey addresses among other things, freshmen feedback about middle school adult-student connections, homework, balancing school & social life, anxiety, depression, and feelings about preparation.
3. FY19 Focus Group (Spring 2019 w/ D29 9th graders): Feedback from former students included among other things, suggestions to strengthen writing & social studies, improving cross-collaboration among teachers (assignments, tests), increasing the number of clubs and mandate involvement as a graduation requirement, and more drug/alcohol education.
4. IAR Test: For the first time, a larger than typical number of students declined the criterion referenced state test. The state has embargoed the data until October. Dr. Stange reviewed the data points and explained the questions they conjure up. Performance continues to be strong across the board.

5. MAP Test: This nationally normed test is now utilized by all NT sender districts. Dr. Stange noted that D29 student growth rate in math was better than the expected growth. Overall reading growth for FY19 was just slightly lower than average but still represented good growth. Students in the upper deciles have been growing more than in the past. Reading growth is meeting what's expected at the upper deciles but is still growing less than math. The highest student growth is at the middle and lower deciles in both subjects.

NEXT MEETING:

4.1 Next Meeting: November 12, 2019

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Mrs. Peterson and seconded by Mr. Hayes to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 p.m. All were in favor.



Chairperson, Education Committee



Secretary, Board of Education

Approved _____, 2019