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Strategic Planning Committee

5/13/2021 minutes

Attending: Tom Burnell, Albert Cousins, Mark Fleischhauer, Christine Natoli, Jaclyn Savolainen, Diane Lyons

The mission of this committee

Discussions: Most planning this year was in response to the COVID-19 situation. The committee took some time to discuss ideas and responsibilities of how this committee will function going forward. It is the role of this group to work on big ideas or goals but not to do the detailed work. As the group did some brainstorming a few initial topics were discussed. Expanding access to Arts throughout k-12, looking at the districts homework philosophy/policy and options for advanced learning k-12. These will be ongoing discussions.

The American Rescue Plan Act and CARES money

Discussions: The district is required to submit a plan for how we will use the federal monies. There are many stipulations on how this money can be spent and getting community input is one of them. The American rescue plan also splits the funds into four years with at least 12 ½% of the funds required to be used each of those years. We would like to get the most value we can out of these one-time funds. Examples of some of the Items we discussed were external diagnostic tools to help evaluate student needs, A K-5 literacy coach, summer programs to be used as a readiness ramp up, expanding afterschool hours with transportation, HEPA filters to increase air filtration in close quarter areas and additional resources to for mental health.

Next Meeting June 10th

Respectfully submitted by Diane Lyons