

ACE Meeting Minutes

The purpose of the Advisory Council for Education is to provide a systematic representative public involvement in educational decisions under consideration by the Board of Directors.

Feb. 1, 2024
6:00-7:30 p.m.

Members Present

Terrie Bertrand, Erika Coghill, Grant Cramer, Kari Henderson-Burke, Megan Hodgson, Ryan Johnson, Britt Kleinman, Mary Levesque, Karrie Marsh, Arissa Matthews, Anne McAlvey, Hillary McGuire, Cheryl McGuire, Gary Sabol, Chrys Sweeting, Kiera Wilson

Guests Present

Dave McKellar

Call to Order

6:00 p.m.

Approval of meeting minutes

Terrie Bertrand made a motion, seconded by Anne McAlvey, to approve the Jan. 11, 2024 minutes. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

Special Education Updates

Dave McKellar, Director of Special Education, provided the committee with an update on the Special Education services provide in Arlington Public Schools.

Overview - Continuum of Services

- Currently Serving 940 students with disabilities (SWD)
- Resource Room (RR) - Many Students are served through RR. Most in RR are supported in academics and social/emotional. 59% of SWD served in RR.
- Special Programs 19% of SWD served in programs.
- Non-public Agencies (NPA) 1% of SWD served in NPAs.
- Speech 21% SWD are served in "speech only".

Specialized Program Numbers (940 current)

Structured Learning Environment (SLE)- Total 73

- Presidents (13)
- Pioneer (14)
- Kent Prairie(13)
- Post MS (17)
- AHS (16)

Behavior Programs- Total 51

- Eagle Creek (22)
- Post MS (14)
- AHS (15)

Life Skills Programs- Total 34

- Pioneer (9)
- Haller MS (8)
- AHS (17)

Transition Program

- WHS ((19)

French House/HMS

- HMS/FSH ((2)

Projected Revenue for 2023-24

\$14,334,716 - Prog. 3121/4121 (State) & 619, 611 (Federal)(annual average FTE of 875)
\$789,836 - Safety Net + Medicaid (for school year 22-23)

Projected Expenditures for 2023-24

\$13,785,266 - Cert./Class. Salary/Benefits (96%)

\$846,457 - Contracted Staff (Agency) Salaries (6%)

\$447,747- Contracted Services (3%)

\$976,573- NPAs (7%)

\$280,692 - Curriculum/Renewals/Tech./ etc. (2%)

\$2,098,763 over budget in 22-23 when factoring in Safety Net and Medicaid.

District Updates

- Chrys would like the committee to meet in small groups for our next meeting
- Eagle Creek and Kent Prairie held the Winter Olympics at Post
- School board visited Presidents and Post
- Outstanding student were recognized by the Rotary Club
- AHS Unified Basketball was held last night
- Remember to vote!

Student Voices

- Students talked about attending the Unified Basketball Game

Closing

Megan Hodgson made a motion, seconded by Terrie Bertrand, to end the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Next meeting: March 7, 2024