LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Board Workshop
Tuesday, March 8, 2011
7:00 PM
HS Library

Present: Mark Mansell, Chris Yaw, Wendy Chord, John Parsons and Todd Jones
Minutes taken by: Nancy Carner
Staff Present: Brett Blechschmidt (Fiscal Officer), Dave Holmes, Lauri Landerholm, Bonnie Lock, Dan Bentson, Carol Patton, Scott Lincoln, Aaron McCoy

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by Mrs. Yaw. Dr. Mansell then explained that this workshop was going to be devoted to budget information and designed in a way that would help board members understand budget data. The board members would spend approximately ten minutes at five different stations with one or more administrator to discuss and ask questions around six different budget variables. He asked the Board to keep in mind that we may face reduced state funding in next year's budget and how could we think differently about the learning environments we create that would not cause a negative impact. With that, the board members began their "rounds" at 7:08 and participated in this exercise until 8:10 when they came back together as a board. Dr. Mansell asked for quick feedback about the process and the board shared the following:
   A. Liked the format but felt there wasn't enough time at each station.
   B. Would have like to "teamed-up" with another board member to collaborate on each of the questions.
   C. Workshop was well-planned.
2. The board members also discussed ideas of keeping up with technology, different ways to staff classrooms, and reviewing policies to determine if the policy is effective. (E2 & EL3)
3. The board had a discussion about how to be sure that their policies reflect the board's desire to monitor student pathways (to graduation) and track student progress. They determined that a modification to EL-3 may be in order and asked Dr. Mansell to bring something back for first reading at the regular March meeting.

The board did not adjourn to executive session since there was no new information to discuss.

As this was a workshop meeting of the board, no action was taken.
Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

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