LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of Board Workshop

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

7:00 PM

Present: Mark Mansell, Melissa Miller, Don Phillips, Bob Taylor, Bernie Schockelt and Laurie Kansanback

Administrators: Dave Holmes and Carol Patton

No action was taken by the board at this meeting.

Guest: Josh Soske

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

- 1. <u>Graduation Policy 2410 and Procedure 2410P:</u> High School Graduation Requirements. After an explanation of the current "State allowed" graduation pathway options (as provided by Mr. Holmes) the Board agreed that they are fully committed to upholding current policy as it stands.
- 2. Update on Changes and/or Proposed Changes to State High School Graduation Requirements: Mr. Mansell brought the Board up-to-date on changes being discussed at the State level regarding graduation requirements in math. The State is looking at changing the math requirement from 2 credits to 3 credits. The HEC Board is also changing the entrance requirements to 4-year state universities to requiring the 3rd credit of math be taken during the senior year, or in the junior year with a math based science course (e.g. Physics) in the senior year. This led to a discussion of how best to educate our students and help them and their parents make informed choices regarding pathways available to them as they move toward thinking about their "high school and beyond" plans. The consensus of the Board was that while they acknowledge that the bar needs to be raised; more discussion about how that should look is needed.
- 3. <u>Discussion of Community Linkage Meetings Held in October:</u> Mr. Mansell let the Board know that he is researching the alternative housing strategies discussed at the linkage meetings. Mr. Holmes shared information with the Board regarding anti-drug use efforts and results at the high school in response to a question asked at the linkage meetings.

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