

BOARD COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING

Wednesday, November 20, 2019

MINUTES

Pamela Fuehrer, Board Vice President, convened the first meeting of the Board Committee on Community Engagement (BCCE) at 1:03 p.m. in the Board Conference Room. She noted that committee members Karen Ceske and Ron Schulhof were present, as well as Dr. Thomas Hagerman, Superintendent of Schools, and Honore Adams, District Clerk.

1. Ms. Fuehrer reviewed the committee Charge by the Board at the October 21st Board meeting: *“the Board charged the committee with discussing engagement opportunities between the Board and the community which would then be brought forward to the Board for full discussion and approval.”*
2. The committee discussed the definition of effective community engagement and potential opportunities for community engagement with key stakeholders in the community: students, parents, teachers/staff, administrators, residents, community partner organizations, and government officials, as appropriate.
3. Dr. Hagerman reviewed the current community engagement methods for the District (which may be viewed [here](#)) and the existing [District Communications Plan](#) from 2015-16, which will be reviewed and updated as part of the process.
4. Ms. Fuehrer reviewed the existing Board Community Engagement methods for community engagement (which may be viewed [here](#)). The committee began brainstorming ways to expand the engagement opportunities for the Board including, but not limited to: holding open topic forums with small group/individual representation; simplifying communications to the Board via a standard form on the District website; scheduling time for group discussions before student drop-off or after student pick-up; establishing focus groups on better ways to engage with the community by the committee.
5. The committee identified current issues to improve upon and drafted guiding principles to be presented to the Board at the December and/or January Board Meeting.

Wrap-up: The BCCE will continue to discuss additional issues to resolve and potential opportunities at the next meeting.

Next Meetings: December 13, 2019

Ms. Fuehrer adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Honore Adams
District Clerk