

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Minutes: 11/12/2012

WASB Consultant Paul Hardt began the meeting at 7 p.m. and reviewed previous meetings through a strategic planning document draft. The draft outlined trends affecting education, gave an overview of the planning process, and discussed the current state of the district.

Hardt discussed the updated results of the community survey, which had more than 200 responses. The survey outlined district challenges, necessary skills expected of students, financial priorities and ways the school is judged on its performance. Results of an internal staff survey were also reviewed.

Committee members then discussed key phrases for a vision and mission statement. Hardt noted the importance of having a unique mission statement that will set the district apart from others.

A SOAR analysis was also completed by the committee, which described the strengths, opportunities, aspirations and future results of the district.

With the information gathered and discussed over the past three months, the committee then outlined top priorities it would recommend to the school board. The top four priorities included: increasing student performance; increasing community involvement; ensuring students were well-behaved, socially responsible, and ethical; and looking for other sources of funding, including through expanding the daycare and continuing technology initiatives outside of the district.