

The Charles A. Beard Memorial School Corporation Board of School Trustees called a special session to order at 6:04 pm. The meeting was held at the Administration Building located at 345 N. Adams Street, Knightstown, IN 46148. Those in attendance were:

Attendance:

- Board Members: Wade Beatty, Steve Dalton, Kevin Knott, Leah Kopp, Thomas Schaetzle, and Timothy Wehr
- Central Office Staff: Gary Storie, Superintendent; Jena Schmidt, Human Resource Specialist
- Media: Jeff Eakins
- Patrons: Approximately 3 patrons

I. Call to Order

Roll call was taken and five members were present. Timothy Wehr arrived a few minutes later at 6:08pm. Mark Fort was not in attendance. Kevin Knott asked the Board to approve a goal for the evening and end the meeting at approximately 8:15pm.

II. Strategic Planning Work Session

Thomas Schaetzle asked to speak. He stated his experience in the strategic planning process. There was much discussion among the Board regarding belief statements. As an example, a Belief Statement for Student Achievement was given by Leah Kopp. "All Students Can Learn".

Michael Adamson informed the board a Belief statement should be something the Board is unwilling to compromise. Strategies would be developed at a later date on each category. A handout was provided to each Board member and the patrons in attendance. The first step in the process should be to set the categories that core beliefs would be created for.

Thomas Schaetzle then stated his past experience indicates breaking down core categories, then setting goals for each category will help keep the Board focused. He stated that seems to be a logical place to begin.

The Board agreed to the following Framework areas: Student Achievement; Academic Curriculum; Extra-Curricular Activities; Personnel; Community Relations; Budget/Finance; Facilities; Technology.

Ronald Short, patron stated every concern should be addressed in this listing.

The Board then worked on creating core belief statements for:

Student Achievement:

- All students can achieve at a high level. (high is a belief not a goal)
- Family, staff & community involvement maximize student achievement.

- Student achievement correlates with success.
- High student achievement enhances opportunities for success.

Academic Curriculum:

- Frequent assessments are critical to improvement of individual student performance and instructional programs.

Kevin Knott asked if feedback could be provided from administrators and faculty in this area. Gary Storie stated he would ask and have some feedback for the next work session.

III. Other

The Board scheduled two work sessions for Strategic Planning; February 9 and 23, 2009 beginning at 6:00pm. Both sessions will be located at the Administration Building.

IV. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the board Steve Dalton moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

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