

## Parent Advisory Council

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Kim Hagar, Steve Sexton, Laura Madson, Brian Murphy, Karen Lepisto

Members Absent: Jodi Hartlaub, Karen Wille, Tiffany Raffill-Pagel, Melissa Koppenhaver, Tony Johannes, Mike Lepisto, Tammy Scharenbroch

Welcome: Co-facilitator, Brian Murphy, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Dawn Mueller, Director of Student Services.

Student Services Mrs. Mueller provided an overview of the student services department and the work they have been doing over the past year creating a continuum of support throughout the district. Their motto is "By All, For All".

She referenced that the team would be sharing information about Academic Career Planning and social-emotional learning supports and programs which includes self awareness; self-management; social awareness; relationship skills; and responsible decision-making. She shared the student services goal...*to support the academic, behavioral, and social-emotional needs of all students so they are able to learn, and be college and career ready, in a safe and supportive learning environment.*

She shared the 2016-17 action steps to implement socio-emotional/mental health screening and to develop a plan to provide onsite clinical mental health services for students.

She explained the different tiers of support that are being used.

- **Tier 1** - Activities provided to all students by all staff
- **Tier 2** - Activities provided to some students with more targeted supports provided by some staff
- **Tier 3** - Activities provided to few students with greater intensity and provided by specialized staff

Student services team members: Shawna Sabourin, Ashley Miller,

Amber

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Lindsay, Heidi Aprill, Trish Lato and Lee Pasket reviewed activities used each of the tiers (see presentation on PAC webpage). Mrs. Mueller also shared responsibilities of the school nurse.

Mrs. Mueller was very thankful to the school board for the addition of a guidance counselor and the implementation of the Student Family Assistance Program.

Mrs. Lepisto spoke to her own personal use of the services and how grateful she is for their support.

Mr. Sexton asked about a Career Fair/Speakers. Mrs. Aprill referenced that it is part of Career Cruising. Academic Career Planning needs to be in place during the 2017-18 school year and Kiel currently has this in place. As a district we are looking into Inspire Sheboygan County, in which both Vollrath and Sargento have expressed interested in teaming

up

with the schools. This program provides speakers, presenters, and helps with mock interviews. There is a sophomore day at LTC for all Manitowoc County Schools.

Ms. Miller talked about things being done at the middle school such as: Career Ag Day for 7th/8th graders, Kohler STEM tours, and March and Career month.

College

Mrs. Sabourin referenced Hobby and Career Day at the elementary level.

These programs provide students with an exploration piece into different careers. Looking to expand job shadowing opportunities as part of the Academic Career Planning process.

Mrs. Lepisto spoke from the business side indicating how this helps businesses to fill the gaps.

Mrs. Mueller referenced new requirements for Juniors and the ACT and That students can earn a National Career Readiness Certificate as part of the WorkKeys assessment. This new requirement is discussed during planning conferences with the student and parents.

Website  
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The committee reviewed the progress of their webpage. An email link

been added and the goal is to make it an interactive link (like twitter). Once this has been completed, the committee will update parents via the parent update. The chair and Mrs. Lefeber will have access to the email account.

Next Agenda

Committee members reviewed the January agenda. At this meeting, the committee will be meeting with the school board and have a desire to learn more about each member. Some questions will include:

- 1) Why on the school board
- 2) Why do you want to continue being on the school board
- 3) Their intentions/motivations
- 4) What committees they are on and what is the purpose of the committee

If committee members have any other specific questions they would like to ask the board members, please email them to Dr. Blankenheim and Mrs. Lefeber.

The committee also discussed learning more about how a School Board Functions. Dr. Blankenheim and Mrs. Lefeber will seek a presenter for the February PAC meeting.

Burning Issues There were no burning issues. Briefly discussed the open school board seats.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.