RTS- Committee Meeting 7/27/2020

Attendees T Pyle, M Hodgkin, R Mosher, A Blackerby, J Reed, L Mayo, M Hulsey, J Castillo, L Brooke, R Gillies, J Finnell, J Allen, C Worthington, L Cochran, A Horne, M Martinez, K Gustafson, Rodolfo, N Curry, J Aceves, B Huerta-Price, C Zavala, D Price

Administration: A Lopez, L Goff

Meeting Started at 4pm

Agenda was shared by Mr. Lopez via email with all those in attendance. General information to share. New isolation order that came out last week by the ICPHD. https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html

Mr Lopez asked for volunteers to share regarding different committee meetings:

Mrs. Horne shared highlights from previous meetings. She stated that she is working with Borderlinks and with ICOE to see if there could be any trainings available for classified staff to possibly be Covid tracers for the district. ICOE is working with Superintendents regarding this matter. Child care for those that may be in need, Becky has been in contact with ICOE and has also shared. Wifi Hot-spot at school, however we understand that it is rather hot to sit in a car. Teachers/ students that don't have WiFi, we will be reaching out to the individual families to see how we can assist. Alexa stated that it was important that the students limit screen time, or to look away maybe every 20 minutes to rest the eyes.

Mr. Lopez stated that a Dialer/email was sent out for the survey as a reminder that Monday 07/27 would be the last date.

Classified Review

We are still working on all of the components for this. Mr. Lopez shared that today 07/27/20 was the first day back for M&O. They started with training provided by Nick Curry and Admin. M&O will start working on cleaning the classrooms as well as housekeeping around the campus. Staff was made aware of social distancing and the practices of what needs to take place before they attend to the assigned areas. Office staff will also be coming in more and assisting with the clerical areas that need to be taken care of before DL begins. Technology is also coming along and will be ready for when students/teachers return. Jonathan and Edwardo will be working on making sure all items are ready to be distributed in August.

Teachers Committee

Grade level meetings have started. Professional development for staff was put on by the EdTech team. The teachers were asked to contribute to a needs assessment. Teachers are working on a student schedule for Distance Learning. Grade level meetings are taking place and they are lining out the curriculum along with any other programs that they feel they may need access to. Discussion as to teachers being able to work at home/school. Demands of Wifi if all zoom conferences would be an issue if teachers were all online at the same time and at school; Mr Lopez assured them that it would not be an issue should they decide to teach from the classroom. Comparison of school schedules and instructional minutes were shared so that teachers have a guide.

EdTech

We had 50 participants on the First block series of training. Second session is set for this week, Wednesday - Friday. We are looking forward to our teachers participating in yet another great resource put on by our staff.

Review of plans

Site Plan is just about complete, working on final touches before submission.

IIIP Plan is a work in progress, we are working with Nick along with Ruiz&Associates to assist us with this process. It is about 80% complete.

Continuity Plan- (Liz) It is focused on the instructional model. How are we meeting the SEL of the students? We have to have a public hearing and then have a board meeting to review. The plan does have to be sent to ICOE and then to the state. At the next meeting we should have a draft ready for review.

Survey (Teacher)- The teacher survey was sent out on Friday. As of today we have received 33 responses. We will then see what strengths and weaknesses of our teaching staff are and provide needed PD for those that feel they need assistance.

(Parent)- We have about 1000 responses, we will be sending out one last reminder. We are looking at about 300 students that will be DL all year, about 22 that do not have Wifi, and about 50% that would need a school device.

Questions:

Are employees no longer required to bring in a DR excuse for the quarantine time? Release to return to work.

We have specific guidance/procedures in place for our employees. There is a self check, and we do require the notice. No symptoms for 10 days, you are allowed to return to work as long as you have not had a fever for 24 hours and no fever reducing medication has been taken.

Is it SB98 that states teachers can work from home or in the classroom? Does it have to be all or can it be teacher specific?

It is district driven, and we will decide what is best for them all.

Clarification, are all students required to check out a school device? It is not required, but recommended. For the parent survey that is going out, have you included the cafeteria meals as part of the questionnaire?

Cindy W. will assist with the guidance and wording on the questions. WE know that providing meals during DL is required and we want to be able to service any children that may need a meal. We will look to Cindy for guidance and how we make this happen for our families.

This week we are looking at finalizing a schedule with the insight from teachers so that we have something to share with the parents. It would be a daily schedule for the students and it would give the amount of on-screen learning along with SEL concept. This will help the parents/students know when to log in and what is expected of them during DL.

We would like to get some input from the committee about DL. We are not sure how long it will last, 2 weeks, 2 months or all year. We want to share the suggestions/models and see what your thoughts are. The 50/50 model would be 2 days a week and 3 days DL.

Concern: What happens if the student starts and then decides they want DL all year? We want to be able to have that conversation ahead of time to make sure we know the numbers. We would want to make the change at quarter/semester to make an easier transition. Part of the reopening plan is to have all of this dialed in. We know that it could be hard on the teacher as well as the student if they start with one teacher and then move into another setting. We want what is best for the student, but for our teachers as well.

(Lisa Mayo will share letter from Holtville regarding instructional minutes)

Communications meeting will be rescheduled please look for email with the new scheduled date and time.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50pm