

Measures Relative to Mission goal team

DRAFT Minutes from 5/29/2007 meeting (7:00a-8:30a, Claypit Hill Elementary School)

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The team continued discussing identified measures with the objective of recommending in favor, against, or further consideration.

5. COMMUNITY SUPPORT

5.1 Community Involvement

- **5.1.1** – Percent of parents participating in the classroom – NO
 - Too difficult to track
 - Opportunities
 - > General
 - > Conferences
 - > Back-to-school nights
 - Parents most involved in lower grades, drops off as children get older, both because of parent and teacher desire/need
 - Perhaps have principals respond to a survey
 - > Relatively high, relatively low participation
 - > Ask 2x per year (tends to drop off later in year)
 - Perhaps change to a parent survey question
 - > What is your sense of ability to participate?
 - > Because, lack of participation may be a sign that all is well
- **5.1.2** – Number of community members on WPS/WSC working groups – NO
 - Need/opportunity varies greatly
- **5.1.3** – Community use of facilities – YES
 - Number of hours, groups
 - Amount of money
- **5.1.4** – Number of people attending WPS/WSC open houses, meetings, forums, coffees – NO
 - Consolidate with survey part of 5.1.1

5.2 Community Communication

- **5.2.1** – WPS web site usage – TBD
 - Perhaps track hits to key pages?
- **5.2.2** – Email usage between teachers, parents, other groups – TBD

- Not clear what to track: MB of traffic, number of messages, number of unique users, ...
- Perhaps make part of a survey about satisfactory availability of communication channels
- **5.2.3** – WPS/WSC newsletter readership – TBD
 - All schools have newsletters
 - Add to survey
- **5.2.4** – Awareness of major WPS/WSC goals, initiatives, and progress – TBD
 - Make part of survey
- **5.2.5** – Media coverage assessment – NO
 - The value is in establishing a strong relationship with the various papers

5.3 Community Satisfaction

- **5.3.1** – Percent of school age children enrolled in WPS – YES
 - Data from DOE
- **5.3.2** – Percent of voters supporting WSC proposed budget, warrant articles, other measures – YES
 - Data from Town Clerk
- **5.3.3** – External stakeholder satisfaction survey – YES

2. STAFF PERFORMANCE

2.1 School System Attractiveness

- **2.1.1** – Average number of qualified applicants per open position – YES
 - Let's us know when we need to advertise better
- **2.1.2** – Percent of offers accepted – YES
- **2.1.3** – Staff mix by age, gender, race, tenure, etc. vs. target levels – YES
 - Some concern expressed about setting of targets
- **2.1.4** – Percent of staff offered Professional Status – YES
- **2.1.5** – Percent of Professional Status staff offered tenure departing before retirement – YES

2.2 Curriculum Quality

- **2.2.1** – Percent of HS students awarded their curriculum choices – TBD
 - Move this to the 5th item in this group
 - Not clear whether measuring access to existing programs or availability of new programs
 - Should student/parent choice count, or educator choice?
- **2.2.2** – Percent of parents satisfied with curriculum choices – YES

- Part of survey
- **2.2.6** – Alignment to K-12 state standards – YES
 - Move to first
- **2.2.3** – Progress against defined curriculum improvement initiatives – YES
 - Move to second
- **2.2.5** – Ratio of students to curriculum specialists by subject and grade – TBD
 - Move to third
- **2.2.4** – Peer (district) assessment of curriculum against mission learning elements – YES
 - Project Blueprint
 - Leave 4th
 - Every N years

2.3 Instruction and Service Delivery Quality

- **2.3.1** – Percent of teachers rating satisfactory or better performance level – TBD
- **2.3.2** – Percent of non-teaching staff rating satisfactory or better performance level – TBD
 - In both of the above, high percentage get 3 (a 1 or 2 requires an improvement plan)

The goal team set a next meeting for Tuesday, 6/5, from 7a to 8:30a at Claypit Hill.