

Pine Plains Central School District
Board Goals Workshop
October 20, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Anne Arent, President, Absent
Amie Fredericks, Vice-President
Fred Couse
James Griffin
Heidi Johnson, arrived at 6:03 pm
Jean Stapf
Joseph Kiernan - Absent

ALSO PRESENT:

Martin Handler, Superintendent of Schools
Brian Timm, Assistant Superintendent
Julia Tomaine, District Clerk

Mrs. Fredericks opened up the Board of Education Goals Workshop at 6:00 pm.

The Board and Administration reviewed the following goals:

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2020-21 Board of Education Goals

1. Curriculum and Instruction

- a) The percentage of Regents diplomas with advanced designation shall be at least 50%.
- b) The percentage of the four-year cohort achieving a diploma in June 2021 shall be at least 95%.
- c) Continue to monitor the long-term effectiveness of the pre-kindergarten program.
- d) Continue to maintain opportunities for students with disabilities to participate in regular classes and extracurricular programs. Ensure students with disabilities have the ability to participate in any school function.
- e) Achieve the targets set for students' academic growth in grades K – 8 in appropriate achievement testing as determined by the building principal.
- f) Reduce opt-out rate for the State Standardized testing to under 20%.
- g) Evaluate the AIS program, restructure as needed.
- h) Review the classification process for students with disabilities.
- i) Continue to monitor the attendance improvement plan at the elementary and secondary levels.
- j) Create a program to promote cultural diversity at the elementary and secondary levels.
- k) Build our social, emotional and mental wellness initiatives to ensure a caring and motivating learning environment.

2. Business and Finance

- a) Demonstrate fiscal stability and reasonable tax rate by developing a thorough and thoughtful budget process.
- b) Limit year-end expenditures to only significant capital items that were not budgeted for during the budget process.

3. Facilities

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- a) Continue to revise and update our five-year facilities plan.
- b) Track environmental issues, excessive heat, mold, lead, etc. Devise a plan to remedy issues.

4. Community

- a) Enhance community relations through website improvements and exploration of multi-media communication strategies (Twitter, Facebook, board documents and policy platforms).
- b) Create one single district wide calendar for easy to find information that all buildings utilize.
- c) Plan for an event to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Stissing Mountain Junior / Senior High School for the first class that graduated from Stissing Mountain.

The Board made the following changes / suggestions for the goals for the 2021-22 school year.

1. Curriculum and Instruction

- l) The percentage of Regents diplomas with advanced designation shall be at least 50%.
- m) The percentage of the four-year cohort achieving a diploma in June 2022 shall be at least 95%.
- n) Continue to monitor the long-term effectiveness of the pre-kindergarten program.
- o) Achieve the targets set for students' academic growth in grades K – 8 in appropriate achievement testing as determined by the building principal.
- p) Evaluate the AIS program, restructure as needed.
- q) Build our social, emotional and mental wellness initiatives to ensure a caring and motivating learning environment in adherence to the Equity, Inclusivity, and Diversity policy.
- r) Create a plan to track student learning loss / performance / target students' needs.

2. Business and Finance

- c) Limit year-end expenditures to only significant capital items that were not budgeted for during the budget process.
- d) Create a review process on district vacancies.
- e) Successfully transition the Superintendent position from the current retiring Superintendent to the new incoming Superintendent.

3. Facilities

- c) Continue to revise and update our five-year facilities plan.
- d) Prepared to implement the capital project. Successful implementation of capital project.
- e) Successful implementation \$100,000 project.

4. Community

- d) Enhance community relations through website improvements and exploration of multi-media communication strategies.

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- e) Create one single district wide calendar for easy to find information that all buildings utilize.
- f) Plan for an event to commemorate the 51st anniversary of Stissing Mountain Junior / Senior High School for the first class that graduated from Stissing Mountain.
- g) Create a Student Board of Education position. Place on the 2022-23 Budget Vote and Election.
- h) Forge an alliance with the townships to improve broadband.

The Board will review these changes at the next Board meeting on November 3, 2021.

The Board continued to their regular meeting at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Tomaine, District Clerk