

## Catalyst Board Meeting

October 7, 2019

Board Attendees: Pat O'Brien, Susan Moore, Candy Poehls, Natalie Doemel

Guests: Kandi Martin, Pupil Services Director; Kasey Kapernick, teacher; Anna Krueger, teacher; Scott Bleck, superintendent

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### I. Meeting called to order and quorum established at 5:00p.m.

The following people were in attendance:

### II. Approval of minutes of August 28, 2019

Motion to approve by: Anna Krueger

Second by: Natalie Doemel

Unanimous approval

### III. New Business

#### A. Monitoring Report

Anna Krueger presented on the attached monitoring report. She reported on clean up for the Car Show prior to Family Fall Fest. Student demographics are down 2 students, due to scheduling changes. Students did not like the fall clean up because it felt like adjudicated community service. They are going to try to focus on more experience based vs. work based opportunities. Candy Poehls reported on a similar opportunity that occurs after the St. Patrick's Day parade.

#### Personal Growth

Anna reported that 4 students have applied for early graduation

They have had 4 guest speakers, 3 were inside the school and Larson Insurance Agency also talked to the students.

#### Experiential Learning

Anna reported on student employed, currently 17 of the students are employed

There is also a Student Advisory Panel that are currently advising on a cell phone policy. They might start on honors cell phone policy. Students who have all grades that are B- or higher can qualify.

The advisory committee is comprised of all groups of students in the school.

The students are about to get involved with Sources of Strength

Volunteer opportunities: students have been invited to volunteer at St. Joe's twice a month

#### Family Outreach

Students brought a family member or two to the family potluck and a dish to pass  
It was well attended.

Parent-teacher conferences are October 25th.

A question was asked by Board Member Pat O' Brien regarding truancy. Anna responded to the question.

A question was asked by Board Member Pat O' Brien regarding technical education opportunities. Kasey Kapernick responded that there is an upcoming opportunity for a FVTC field trip with HS tech ed teacher, Joe Gruentzel.

A question was asked by Board Member Natalie Doemel regarding the 12 students from last year.

A question was asked by Board Member Susan Moore regarding how the students are starting the day. Anna Krueger responded that the student start time is 8:00. Many students are arriving by 7:30. They start in the downstairs with breakfast and announcements, and then they have learning lab. They also have a group class right before lunch. Kasey Kapernick gave an example of a specific training--mindfulness training.

Pat O Brien asked if there was any topics for next meeting. Ann Krueger suggested that Brian Yerkey's topic of community service be tabled for this evening and be put on the agenda for the next meeting. The Board approved.

Candy Poehls wanted to relate a story about students in the workforce and compliment the Catalyst staff on the work they are doing with the students.

Pat O "Brien wanted to know if the former students and families could come back and do testimonials. Anna Krueger responded that one of those guest speaking opportunities has already been scheduled.

#### B. Meeting Schedule

1. 2019-2020 school year:
  - a) December 2, 2019
  - b) February 3, 2020
  - c) April 6, 2020
  - d) June 1, 2020

Kandi Martin verified the meeting dates set for the year are on everyone's calendar, so that the meetings don't need to be rescheduled.

#### IV. Adjournment 5:40 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Anna Krueger

Second by Candy Poehls seconded the agenda.

Passed, unanimous

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Natalie Doemel, Clerk