

MINUTES
STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE SCHOOL, DISTRICT 14-0054
August 19, 2014

A Strategic Planning Workshop of the Board of Education of the Laurel-Concord-Coleridge School was convened in public session on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Conference Room B at Educational Service Unit #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska. The following were present:

Board Members:

Rich Brandow, Robert Colwell, Jay Hall, Betty Jo Leapley, Marlin Papenhausen, and John Wolfgram. Brian Holcomb arrived at 6:27 p.m.

Administrators:

Superintendent Randy Klooz, PK-8 Principal Stephanie Petersen, 9-12 Principal Jay Vance, and 5-8 Dean of Students Scott Petersen.

Facilitator:

Marcia Herring, Director of Board Development from the Nebraska Association of School Boards

Visitors: none

Board Members Absent: Steve Schutte and Ryan Van Cleave.

The meeting notice was published in the August 13, 2014 issue of the Coleridge Blade and the Laurel Advocate, and posted at Security Bank-Laurel, the Post Office-Laurel, and the Community Learning Center-Laurel. Said notice stated the purpose of the meeting was for discussion only. No board action would be taken and there would be no opportunity for public comment. Board members were given notice of the meeting at the July 14, 2014 and August 11, 2014 regular monthly board meetings and emailed notice on Monday August 18, 2014. All proceedings of the Boards of Education were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting began with a self-serve meal at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was duly called to order by John Wolfgram at 6:16 p.m. Attention was directed to current copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act posted by the door in the room.

Motion by Brandow and second by Leapley to approve the agenda as presented. Carried 6-0 on roll call vote.

Motion by Hall and second by Brandow to excuse absent board members Holcomb, Schutte, and Van Cleave. Carried 6-0 on roll call vote.

There were no Action Items.

Marcia Herring was thanked for attending and facilitating the workshop.

Principal Vance discussed the new “Advantage” program at the high school used to improved student academic success. Principal Petersen discussed the “Student Success” Work Policy at the middle school. She also discussed the middle school “Second Step” program being implemented to decrease aggression, bullying, and substance abuse and increase students’ social skills and school success.

Holcomb arrived at 6:27 p.m.

Marcia Herring presented various scenarios to the board members and administrators for discussion. She facilitated as the groups discussed appropriate board reaction to each scenario.

Board members and Superintendent Klooz shared their reflections and information from the National School Board Association Conference.

Everyone worked in groups as we discussed our school’s Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT).

District data, and building goals and process were discussed. Board Goals were reviewed and revised.

A brief break was taken at 9:10 p.m. Jay Vance, Stephanie Petersen, and Scott Petersen left for the remainder of the workshop. At 9:15 p.m. board members, Superintendent Klooz and Marcia Herring resumed the workshop in public session.

Superintendent/Board protocol and the annual board calendar were reviewed in discussion on the Superintendent and Board expectations.

Herring will compile the information discussed and submit it for review by the board members and administration.

No official action was taken on any discussion item.

The workshop was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Cedar County School District #54

Submitted by: _____
Betty Jo Leapley, Secretary