



High School Start Time Advisory

October 4, 2018

6:00 pm, ITC Room

Facilitators- Christina Holt/Anna Stubblefield

In Attendance:

Sandy Beverly, Jay Buzhardt, Robert Byers, Matt Ellis, Jill Fincherr, Rick Henry, Rick Ingram, Syed Jamal, Peter Karman, Mark Preut, Sam Rabiola, Valerie Schrag, Vanessa Sanburn, Joan Stone, Anna Stubblefield.

Participated via ZOOM: Cynthia Eubanks and Stephanie Harris

AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions (Christina/Anna)
- Review of group norms (Christina)
- Updates on survey and focus group data collection (Anna)
 - Patron Insights survey help. Focus group questions on drive. Timeline and feasibility important considerations
 - Focus groups with high school teachers on October 12
 - 8:00 am @ LHS
 - 1:00 pm @ FSHS
 - will also meet with Delta and Equity Advisory Council before or after their next meeting
 - Rick Henry currently working with Principals and Counselors to arrange 3 focus groups
 - Will also reach out to all persons who applied to this committee and was not accepted.

Questions? none

Anna Stubblefield: The foundation for the survey logistics will start with phone surveys, reaching out to 50 families in each of the 4 sections of Lawrence then build on-line. Julie Boyle will also communicate the need for feedback. We have an early November time frame to gather information for the December Board meeting presentation. We want to make sure we also include the group homes and how this change will affect their organization.

Valerie Schragg: Question presented to Christina. What is the protocol for members of this committee to sit in on the focus group.

Christina Holt: Normally stakeholders do not sit in. Christina records the event and takes detailed notes. Focus groups are nice however, surveys do reach more people. 6 to 8 people in a focus group are easier to manage, all voices are normally heard. Smaller groups are easier to obtain honest answers. Larger groups tend to have a loud voice or two that take over.

Anna Stubblefield: The calendar played a role with regard to groups existing meetings.

Cynthia Eubanks: Concerned about parents of color to be heard.

Peter Karman: Is it possible to introduce the subject at the meetings to invite all who wish to participate for a 7-8:00 focus group?

Cynthia Eubanks: Feels like Delta might wish to visit with the co-chairs first.

Peter Karman: Flexible question is too vague: *(A flexible school day running between 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., with some students and staff electing to start earlier and end earlier, and others electing to start later and end later).*

Vanessa Sanburn: Can we narrow down the questions?

Julie Henry: Not so sure that is a good idea. Feels like it is an opportunity to gather more information?

Valerie Schragg: Please note that the 7/5:00 times would need to be negotiated - outside the duty day.

Bob Byers: Suggests deleting option 4 *(A flexible school day running between 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., with some students and staff electing to start earlier and end earlier, and others electing to start later and end later).*

Peter Karman: We could still ask the question.

Cynthia Eubanks: Also feels like the question should be asked.

Rick Ingram: Feels the questions confuse people. Place the options first and then pose the questions. Has issues with the introduction. We did not mention research and support?

Valerie Schragg: The introduction needs to be balanced. Brought up the last survey on her computer and read it to the committee. The instructions for the last survey were fair and balanced. Need to state benefits & compromise and local concerns.

Mark Pruet: We can balance the benefits & fairness & tradeoffs for Lawrence and perhaps the costs? We could also add the paragraph relating to studies.

Julie Henry: Question 1 (*No change, leave things as they are*) needs to have the exact schools times listed.

Vanessa Sanburn: Feels we need to clarify how the Wednesday schedule would change for families too.

Julie Henry: Change Option #4 to none of the above

Rick Ingram: Disagrees, the parameters are too big.

Peter Karman: Need to list the fixed costs and rationale

Julie Henry: Have to provide enough context to make an educated decision - perhaps use %

Bob Byers: Suggest we stay away from any cost conversation in the survey. The numbers are not exact, tend to change and takes away from the topic.

Rick Ingram: Please note all issues that go before the board usually have a monetary connection and are always considered. If something new is added then something else is usually deleted.

Anna Stubblefield: So many unintended consequences and this will impact staffing. Feels like we should avoid the cost conversation too.

Bob Byers: Once we identify the issue there will be plenty of time for the public to have input.

Christina Holt: I will have a monetary figure and percentages related to that figure.

Rick Ingram: Wants to make sure we also include middle school with some modifiers so it is applicable.

Valerie Schragg: we need to change the order of questions 5 and 8.

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- 7:15
- 7:30

Sandy Beverly: The survey seems to be a complaint form? Possibly ask parents: What do you do on Wednesdays? How is your family time different?

Peter Karman: Why is sex asked on question 23. Why is that relevant?

Anna Stubblefield: Demographics might be very helpful. The survey should go to to families 6 through 11th grade. Seniors are not necessary.

Valerie Schragg: Feels it is very important that the committee can have access to the information and from what quad it came from.

Rick Ingram: We have run out of time and he has several concerns and notes. Can we have an electronic format to address concerns and have feedback?

Anna Stubblefield: Yes, she will have Dawn set up a document in Google. Friday, October 12th will be the deadline for any final comments.

- Christina will Review Patron Insights' survey questions and refer to her notes to update. Christina will send her notes to Dawn Downing or Joan Stone.
- Determine Next Meeting Date: October 23 from 6 to 7:30 ITC Room

*Anna Stubblefield: Questions & comments can be posted to Dawn Downing in Google.

The next meeting will be October 23, 2018 at 6pm.

(Dawn will send out a calendar invite)