

Introductions

- Members of Community Engagement and PTC Presidents were introduced

Summary Report on the July 16th Presentation to Board of Education

- Co-Facilitators, Mike Lullo and Steve Neurauder, along with Superintendent Tammaru presented to the Board
- Continue to excel with academic performance
- District has a structural deficit – will be spending early taxes in FY19
- Reviewed financials
 - Lowest tax rate of surrounding districts
 - Of surrounding districts, spending least amount of money per pupil in operational cost
 - Neighboring districts tax referendum history
 - CCSD89 has not sought a tax-rate referendum in 32 years
 - Made approximately \$3M in cuts with minimal impact to the classroom (while declining enrollment)
- Timeline of history of work presented
 - Community Engagement meetings held
 - Phone surveys were conducted
- What we learned from community through meetings and surveys
 - Educational values
 - High quality teachers
 - Strong educational programming
 - Appropriate class sizes
 - Community involvement
 - School security
 - Educational priorities (consensus) – strong correlations between individual and consensus
 - Rigorous curriculum for all learners
 - Operate with a balanced budget without borrowing money
 - Maintaining invention programs
 - Maintaining social-emotional supports
 - Maintain high quality schools, operate with balance budget but do not want to see programs cut
 - No consensus from group on what to cut
- Some level of consensus on moving to 4-day/week for physical education
- Positive response from phone surveys
- Community supports schools and see connection between good schools and home value
- Approximate annual cost to homeowners of tax-rate increase provided
 - All groups supported some level of tax-rate increase
- 25 cent increase borrowing from ourselves within 5 years – no fund balance – short-term solution
- 40 cent increase – ten-year solution
- Board unanimously concluded they would vote on putting a question on the ballot for the November 6th election for a 40-cent increase
 - Only vote on one question
- Superintendent Tammaru thanked committee for their work and commitment

Absent:

Caroline Andres, Melissa Bartoli, Penny Belke, Alicia Cieszowski, Tina Chivardi, Kellie DeLeon, Leah Dimler, Jay Lerch, Jude Locke, Mari Luangrath, Donna Skibbe, Lisa Moore, Ryan Moore, Victor Moore, Barb Peterson, Beth Powers, Kalani Reelitz, Greg Smasitrla, Donna Tye, Becky Waldbusser