HOS Report 8/18/22

Hiring

Erdkinder Social World-Laura Kruger
Children's House 2-Megan Baker-Hunger
Erdkinder Math-Casey Johnson
Paraprofessional-Jill Berlin Burns
E2C Assistant-Joan White
Food Service assistant-Kinsey Rothering
Floating Sub-Randi Smith
Counselor-no candidates
IT Intern-no candidates
Transition Assistant/PK Afterschool Care-in process

PLT/subpoena discussion

As a follow up to discussions on policy 756 (which will no longer be a policy, as MSBA stated the info within it should be moved to the staff handbook) regarding subpoenas and how they affect PLT-when we move policy 756 language into the handbook, language around subpoenas will be added reflecting that PLT usage will not be required.

Title I, II, IV

The required Foster Care Transportation Agreement, E.L. Parent Notification Letter, and the District Parent and Family Engagement Plan have been submitted. Shelly and I will have the applications for Title I & II to Bergan for submission by August 23rd as requested (it's due 9/1, but the MDE site tends to crash that week so we are asked to have it done a week earlier). Title IV is rolled over. *Title I and II narratives were submitted on 8/15/22. Budget follow up discussion will be next week with BerganKDV.

New Laws

LIMIT ON SCREEN TIME FOR CHILDREN IN PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

MN Statutes 124D.166 – "A child in a publicly funded preschool or kindergarten program may not use an individual-use screen, such as a tablet, smartphone, or other digital media, without engagement from a teacher or other students. This section does not apply to a child for whom the school has an individualized family service plan, an individualized education program, or a 504 plan in effect."

EFFECTIVE: July 1, 2022

STUDENT DATA PRIVACY

MN Statutes 13.32 Subd. 1 - Modifies student data privacy protections by defining a "school-issued device", and "technology provider", the requirements on schools to notify parents and students of any programs or contracts with technology providers that deal with student data; the rules that technology providers must follow regarding student data,

and what student data government agencies, and service providers cannot access or monitor.

EFFECTIVE: 2022-2023 School Year

Hiawatha Valley Mental Health

The therapist assigned to Bluffview was in this week, and we have started planning her schedule. FCC will be phased out, and all new school linked referrals will be sent to HVMH.

Building notes

All floors are rewaxed, carpets washed, and the single use bathroom is just waiting for fixtures. Kayla's room was tiled completely for durability and an opportunity to be uniform. Parking lot and fire lane/track is resurfaced and repainted. Plans for an outdoor learning area, garage, and greenhouse will be renewed. We have the money for the garage, and need to discuss the greenhouse after the UWRF Science alignment PD in late September as they are supposed to be working with us to establish a focal point for a school wide science focus.

Athletics/activities co-op

WAPS has always offered us a cooperative agreement for our students to participate in sports under the Winhawk banner, and we are very appreciative of that opportunity. It was asked of us to look into whether or not we can obtain a similar agreement with Cotter for families that will be going there post grade 8. We are currently looking into it. WAPS agrees that their contract/agreement is not exclusive, so it is a possibility from their perspective.

Chromebook monitoring

We have added GoGuardian as a Chromebook monitoring software (125 devices). It has been initially tested and appears to be working properly. This should be a good change as it is a cloud based software, and won't be in constant flux with the server.

Potential Community Board member bio:

Marcy Faircloth: "I have been a private practice civil lawyer for 10 years, practicing mainly in the areas of business and family law. I own Faircloth Law LLC. While I still maintain private clients, my professional focus currently is teaching Business Law at WSU. My husband and I live in Winona with our two boys - ages 2 and 4. They attend WSU Children's Center. I enjoy road biking, spending time on the river, and cooking. I am originally from NC, but moved to ND when I was in junior high. I am not currently serving on other boards, but I have served on the following in the past: Women's Resource Center (n/k/a Advocacy Center of Winona) and the Winona Area Mountain Bikers."