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OAK GROVE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING 1-28-20

*This is a summary of events that occurred at the January meeting, **not** the official minutes.)*

New Business/Information

- Ryan Murray shared SEL (Social Emotional Learning) initiatives at OGS which include a focus on mindfulness techniques for staff and students
- Boiler project – there are punch list items pending final payment
- Dr. Lemon is applying for \$50,000 matching facilities grant from the State to go towards summer work
- Space options were shared to begin contingency and action planning for future facility needs
- Overview of enrollment since 2010 was presented. 951 enrolled this year to date. We currently have 47 classrooms plus 3 science, 1 art, 1 computer lab 1 A/V lab. Several options were presented for considerations to add classrooms, staff lounge, reconfigurations, etc. along with the expected financial impact. Special BOE Facilities committee meeting will be scheduled to continue the discussion and confirm the priorities for the District
- District held a cyber security awareness program to remind of phishing campaigns
- Durham Transportation has proposed a 6% increase for the new contract affecting the 20-21 school year. Consistent and in line with other transportation providers
- Registration Fees – no change. Milk increase due to direct cost
- SEDOL Update – recommendation is to have Early Childhood services at Fairhaven next year. Not at OGS
- The Board recognized K-8 students who showed positive character
- Dr. Cacciatore shared several examples that demonstrate Oak Grove School's greatness in the areas of Student Achievement and Awards, External Presentations by Admin, Board, Teacher and Students, and Leading by Example by hosting learning and knowledge sharing site visits with other Districts
- Dr. Lemon will be watching for possible impact of the following topics in Springfield: Progressive tax, State budget proposal for schools, pension reform and property tax implications, and consolidation
- A recommendation to update the master schedule for Grades 4 and 5 was presented
- Public comment consisted of a community member asking the Board to be mindful of spending down reserves regarding class sizes and another community member/teacher asked the Board not to increase elementary class sizes and to look at the usage of the Junior High library space

Approvals

- The Consent Agenda was approved
- The Board approved calendar option 1 for the 2020/2021 school year
- The Board approved the purchase of a VM Server for \$72,257.12
- Personnel Action was approved

Next Board Meeting is February 28, 2020