

Superintendent - Student Key Communicators
December 14, 2016 Minutes
City School Administration Center – 3 East

The Student Key Communicators committee met at 1:30 PM on December 14, 2016 with Superintendent Dr. Lori Simon, Kristin Kiner – Youth Engagement Coordinator, and student representatives from Central, Stevens, and Rapid City High School.

Introductions were held and discussion started with Dr. Simon explained the vision for the group as a forum for students to work together for the district and present ideas to the group.

Dr. Simon provided the students with a handout from the strategic planning group with the draft mission, vision and core values. Dr. Simon had students break into small groups and discuss the mission and vision. The vision is what the district is trying to aspire and the mission is what we are going to do to get our students there. The vision and mission will drive our strategic plan and will tell staff, students, parents, community people what we are about and what we want to do.

Vision: Building tomorrow's community through Inspiration, Innovation and Excellence

Tag Line: Inspire. Innovate. Excel.

Mission: Challenge, engage and empower students to thrive in their future in a diverse global community.

Feedback included:

- Liked the tag line – clear, concise to market with on website, t-shirts, etc.
- Need to further explain the three tag line words on the website to make it “come to live” and how we really want to use it to reach goals.
- Conversations were held on “diverse global community” and whether we need to use diverse and global – suggested using world
- Diversity – most understand background differences between schools, cultures

Dr. Simon asked students to brainstorm ideas for group name. Suggestions include: (More discussion will be held at next meeting.

- Student Engagement Council
- Inter-School Student Council
- Inter-School Representatives
- The Student's Voice

Outcomes/areas of discussion:

- This group have a unified feeling bringing the three high schools together.
- Vehicle to get information from students from other schools.
- Bring student perspective to the group.
- Bring questions forward for the superintendent.
- Express school spirit.
- Bring problems forward for resolutions.

- Get students more engaged.
- A place for student voice where they know they are being heard.
- Meaningful group and direct link to the superintendent.
- Improve school rivalry and foster healthy school spirit and get arid of cynicism.

The next meeting will be at City School Administration – 3 East on February 8, 2017 at 1:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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