

Business Advisory Council Wednesday, June 12, 2020

MINUTES

Attendance:

Daryl Kubilus – Cloverleaf Schools
Bob Hlasko - Educational Services Center
Will Koran – Educational Services Center
Laurie Boedicker – Highland Schools
David Chambers – Medina City Schools
Peggy Reeves – Medina County Career
Center
Dave Tenny - Firstar
Kristi Beeman – Huntington Bank

Kathy Breitenbucher – MCEDC
Bethany Dentler – MCEDC
Annie Fink – MCEDC
Valeria Marcu – MCEDC
Denise Testa - MCUC
Angela Smith – OhioMeansJobs
Bob Thompson - Retiree
Radiah Blanton – Tri C

Ms. Breitenbucher asked the school officials for an update on fall planning. Ms. Boedicker stated that Highland has implemented focus groups to include the community, teachers and administrators to aide in multiple options for the new school year.

Dr. Kubilus shared that Cloverleaf has assembled a Task Force of 53 members, broken into subcommittees to gather information and create potential schedules. The groups must keep an open minded approach with all of the constant changes from both the local and state levels.

The Educational Services Center are in various stages of planning for all school systems in the County. They have created a document of planning to stay up-to-date on the numerous alternatives necessary.

Mr. Chambers shared that the Medina 47% of parents are unsure of sending their kids back in the fall, prompting Medina City Schools to offer additional guidance.

Ms. Reeves reported that MCCC is moving forward with fall planning but no final decision will be made as of yet due to transportation issues with home schooling. She shared that the 2020 graduation ceremony will be a Drive-Thru Graduation for both the high school and adult programs. Ms. Reeves also shared that enrollment remains stable for the fall school year.

Both Cloverleaf and Medina representatives spoke of dealing with the \$1.5 million fund reductions and discussed the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund program as utilized in 2008. They are unsure as to the flexibility of the dollars used and whether it would have to be paid back in the future. It may just impact the wealthier districts, such as Highland.

Ms. Breitenbucher inquired on the feeding programs throughout the districts.

Finally, discussion occurred on feedback from the sample posters. Most of the committee agree that the colors were aesthetically pleasing, providing a good visual point. In addition, the "thumbs" pictorial on the Social Media poster received better reviews. Ideas surrounded the website and overlapping MCCC, Jobs for Ohio Graduates, Tri-C and MCUC linking support and partnership in the program.

The committee also talked about small businesses' willingness to speak to the high schoolers. Ms. Testa suggested the possibility of an informational video to provide insight on the interview process, as a less formal way to provide guidance to the students. She volunteered to create an example to present at a future meeting.

Next Meeting: July 1, 2020 Via Zoom Conference