



Westlake Board of Education

Board Notes from Monday, April 16, 2012, Regular Meeting

RECITATION OF DISTRICT VISION & MISSION

Vision Statement: The Westlake City School District will provide a dynamic, student centered, 21st century learning environment. Our district will be characterized by high achievement, actively engaged learners, mutual respect, shared knowledge, pursuit of new skills and capabilities, collaborative learning, willingness to take action, a team commitment to data-driven continuous improvement, and tangible results.

Mission Statement: We Education for Excellence ... Empowering all students to achieve their educational goals, to direct their lives, and to contribute to society.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Ohio Middle School Presentation/Paul Wilson & Sue Palchesko
 - a. Paul and Sue presented at the Ohio Middle Level Conference on working collaboratively for student success.
 - b. Using state testing data and value-added reporting, found upper and lower quintile were areas of weakness at LBMS. Reaction to finding was adjusting delivery of curriculum, ability grouping moving to co-taught classes/full inclusion and research-based intervention.
 - c. Using contractual time designed for collaborative time (50 minutes/week), added an advisory period to the morning, adjusted intervention and enrichment periods to reflect data set for interventions.
 - d. Heightened staff awareness of data to identify areas of weakness and plan for students. Increased performance index from 106 to 106.9. Started a morning math tutoring program.
 - e. Submitted this to the national middle school conference for consideration of a presentation.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approved International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme shared services/partnership agreement with Avon Lake, Berea, Rocky River and Westlake city school districts.
2. Approved resolution to amend coordinator contract for gifted coordinator

DISCUSSION ITEM

3. Board Development – Essential Agreements

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next meeting of the Board is Monday, April 30, at 5:30pm, at Bassett Elementary School.

For more detailed information on these items, visit

<http://beta.westlake.k12.oh.us/boe/meetingschedule/default.aspx>