

NORTH MAC COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #34

Committee of the Whole – Long Range Planning Minutes

South Campus Board Room

October 21, 2015

6:30 p.m.

Board members present were Hays, Alexander, Spann and Cole. Members absent: Handy. Also present were Superintendent Cullen and members of the administrative team, Cimarossa, Downs, and McMillin.

President Hays called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

The board's first objective was to finalize the vision statement. All members agreed to: "Every North Mac student will achieve personal success and become a responsible and productive citizen."

Long-term goals three and four were discussed with the administrative team having worked on strategies to fulfill the goals. Goal three deals with the achievement and success of all students. The administrative team will fulfill that goal by working to prepare both the college bound and the career bound student for their futures.

There was discussion about the role of communication and the community. The major discussion question was: "Can we as a Board use the four goals to send a positive message?" The possibility of adding a fifth goal that would address the problem of communication was discussed. It was decided that working to inform the community about the school district should be a strategy within all four goals.

Goal number four deals with staff development. The administration has been working for the last several years on making sure teacher institute and school improvement days are full of meaningful instruction and designed to be useful and productive time for all North Mac teachers. Board members were interested in best approaches to mentoring programs within our staff and whether a formal or informal approach of mentoring is better.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

President

Secretary