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Minority Advisory Committee to the Superintendent Meeting Summary Notes: April 10, 2017

Meeting Summary Notes are intended to serve as the superintendent's reflection on the discussions that occur during advisory committee meetings. They are not intended to be exhaustive. Instead, they are intended to serve as a general record for our on-going efforts to assess our needs, determine our goals, map out our strategies, and evaluate our policies, procedures and programs. Participants should contact the superintendent if they observe any critical oversight or misinterpretation in these notes.

Participants present: Alisa Morgan, Patricia Ross, Nancy Moga (CES principal), Carolyn Barnette, Gretel Anderson, Pat Pleasant, Dwayne Ross and 3 AHS students, Jan Hobbs, (Dir. of Assessment and Accountability), Mary Jane Mutispaugh (Dir. of Instruction), Fred Vaughan (Dir. of HR and Pupil Personnel), Lorie Bess (Admin. Asst.), and Eugene Kotulka (Superintendent)

- 1) Ms. Mutispaugh presented a handout detailing events from Black History Month. A copy of the report is attached.
- 2) Mr. Kotulka reported he has formed a committee to work on redesigning the high school curriculum. He recently met with rising seniors to see which internships they would be interested in and received good feedback. The students suggested internships such as trades, law, and cosmetology.
- 3) Mr. Kotulka reported the New Tech program is scheduled to begin the fall of 2018. He explained the program works with students to provide opportunities to work together on a team on a specific project. The New Tech program will require some renovations at the high school, he noted.

- 4) Mr. Kotulka reported the budget looks pretty good this year and we received a little more funding than was expected.
- 5) Mr. Vaughan gave a recruiting report. He stated Virginia State changed the date of their job fair and he was not able to attend due to a scheduling conflict. He reported he also did not visit Hampton and he has been told they are revamping their education program. He attended the Virginia Department of Education / Virginia Educator Association sponsored event, "Teachers of Color Summit" in February. This event was held in Richmond and was very good, he noted. He mentioned the "G.R.O.W.E.S. Program", offered by Virginia State, which is a week-long event to expose high school students to what opportunities are available to them. The program is limited to 18 students and there is no cost to the student. The information has been shared with the high school guidance counselors.
- 6) Mr. Kotulka asked participants if they had any goals for the upcoming year for the MAC group. The following responses were received:
 - Keep everyone informed
 - Continue to build relationships
 - Grow/enhance the Soul Food event
 - Continue minority recruiting

The meeting ended at 12:15 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: This was the last meeting of the year. Meetings will resume again in September 2017.

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